

**Frank Spanner**

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**NEWPORT**

**MR. FRANK SPANNER** - The death occurred on Wednesday, in his 84th year, of Mr. Frank Spanner, of 52 Lugley-street, who was formerly well known as a carpenter and undertaker in business at 28 West-street. His health had been failing for nearly seven years. A son of the late Mr. John Spanner, who was employed by Messrs. Wood and Horspool (now Arthur Wood, Ltd., ironmongers), he carried on his business until about 10 years ago, after which he lived for a time at Shanklin, and then for six years at East Cowes, before returning to Newport three years ago. He was for 57 years a voluntary organist at the old Blackwater Wesleyan Chapel, in the activities of which he took the greatest interest until his illness, and was for many years assistant secretary of the now disbanded Ancient Order of Shepherds, No. 1821. Mrs. Spanner died 30 years ago. Three daughters are left in bereavement. There will be a service at the Pyle-street Methodist Church at 2 p.m. on Sunday, followed by the interment at Carisbrooke.

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**NEWPORT**

**THE LATE MR FRANK SPANNER** - The funeral of Mr. Frank Spanner of 52 Lugley-street, who died on Wednesday week in his 84th year, took place on Sunday at the Victoria Methodist Church, the Rev. H. J. Franklin (minister) officiating. The hymns "How sweet the name of Jesus sounds" and "Rock of Ages" were sung, and Mr. E. J. H. Quarrier (organist) played "Chanson Triste" (Tschaikovsky) and "O Rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn). The mourners were Mrs. J. H. Burgess, Mrs. A. E. Matthews, and Mrs. F. Fry (daughters), Mr. F. Fry (son-in-law), Mr. F. Burgess (grandson), Mr. Wilfred Spanner (nephew), Mr. R. Goddard, and Mr. F. Gentle. The interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery, where the Foresters' burial service was read by Mr. A. J. Williams (treasurer of Court Island Foresters, 1821). Other members of the Court present were Messrs. E. Drudge (Chief Ranger), J. Willians (trustee), H. Way, C. Matthews, and G. Jolliffe. The Blackwater Methodist Church was represented by Mrs. Jackman and there were a large number present at the church and the grave-side. The arrangements were made by Mr. W. W. Wells. The many wreaths included one from the Blackwater Methodist Church. - Mr. and Mrs. F. Fry wish to thank Dr. Sylvester and the nurses for their kind attention to Mr. Frank Spanner during his long illness. Also kind friends for their letters of sympathy and for beautiful floral tributes sent.

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