

## Emily Kate Webber

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### NEWPORT

**DEATH OF MRS. H. WEBBER.** - Much regret is felt at the death, at 94 High Street, on Monday, of Mrs. Emily Kate Webber, who, with her husband (Mr. H. Webber), has been prominently associated with the business life of the town for over half a century. Mrs. Webber, who was 76, was the daughter of Mr. G. Earney, a shepherd, of Merston, and after her marriage at Arreton Church 55 years ago, moved to the premises in High Street, where she and her husband have carried on a fruiterers' and florists' business ever since. Mrs. Webber was very skilful in making wreaths, and her services in this direction were in great demand. She won many prizes for table decorations at Island horticultural shows many years ago, including the Roach Pittis cup of the I.W Horticultural Association and her floral decorations for all kinds of social events were always greatly admired. She decorated the railway coaches when the late Princess Beatrice opened the Merston-Ventnor railway line. She had also been responsible for the table decorations at the officers' mess at Albany Barracks, and had undertaken the care of many graves at the borough cemeteries.

The funeral took place on Thursday, the service at Carisbrooke Cemetery being conducted by the Rev. D. S. McKenzie, Mr. G. Cooper represented Mr. Webber, and the other mourners were Messrs. J. and C. Earney (brothers), Mr. and Mrs. R. Turner, Miss D. Earney, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Attrill (nephews and nieces), Miss E. Warder, Mesdames W. Wale, P. Burt, Flux and Buckett, and Mr. W. Ash. There were 30 floral tributes. Mr. T. Earney (brother) was unable to attend, owing to illness. Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Sons made the arrangements.

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