William James Ash

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NEWPORT

Death of Mr. W. J. Ash. — Mr. William James Ash, a well-known and respected resident, died at his home, 20 Medina Avenue, on Thursday week, aged 77. Although born locally, Mr. Ash moved early in life to reside in Southampton, where his parents established a wholesale fruit and potato business. After a period the family returned to live here and he took charge of a similar business in Quay Street. He married Miss Alice Frampton, daughter of the late Mr. G. H. Frampton, just under 50 years ago. On retirement in 1945 he continued in residence at Quay Street for a time, later moving to the Shide district.

The funeral took place on Monday at the Quay Street Methodist Church. During the service, which was conducted by the minister (the Rev. Dr. W. H. Mildon), the hymns "Abide with me" and "Peace, perfect peace", accompanied at the organ by Mr. W. G. Cooper, were sung.

The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Willisford (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ash (son and daughter-in-law), Miss P. Willisford and Mr. M. Ash (grandchildren), Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Frampton (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mesdames H. Barnes and C. Woodford (nieces), Mr. and Mrs. C. Caplehorn, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott. Mrs. Ash (widow) was unable to attend. Among the many beautiful floral tributes was one from the directors of Messrs. Fred Trim, Ltd.

The interment took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery. Messrs. H. and F. Damp made the arrangements.

Mrs. W. J. Ash and family thank Dr. Peskett and doctors and staff at St. Mary's Hospital clinic for their kindly attention,, and Mrs. Beacon and Messrs. Gould, Hibberd, and Randall for help given in their bereavement.

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