

**Arthur Bird Cheverton**

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**WELL KNOWN FARMER'S DEATH  
MR. A. B. CHEVERTON OF POLECLOSE**

We regret to announce the death on Tuesday of Mr. Arthur Bird Cheverton, of Poleclose Farm, near Newport, at the early age of 49. Mr. Cheverton, who was a member of a well known Island family, was a son of the late Mr. W. H. Cheverton, who was in business as a harness maker in Lugley Street, Newport for many years. Educated at Portland House Academy, Newport, he studied farming under his uncle, Mr. E. G. Heal, J.P., C.A., of Newclose Farm, and later farmed at Medham before taking over Poleclose.

He was an active member of the Agricultural Executive Committee's inspection committee and chairman of the Milk Production Committee in 1948. An enthusiastic member of the N.F.U. he also did valuable work as chairman of the Carisbrooke Growmore Club. He was a founder member and presiding Full Corn (chairman) of the Wheatears, a social organization formed two years ago with its headquarters in Shalfleet. During the last war he was the popular sergeant of "D" company of the Newport Home Guard.

Mr. Cheverton had been in poor health for some time, following two major operations in 1950. He bore his illness with typical fortitude and was liked by everyone for his quiet disposition and unassuming manner. An enthusiastic angler, one of his greatest pleasures was to take out parties of friends in his motor-boat, and on Saturday he took part in a fishing competition at Atherfield.

Much sympathy is felt with his widow and baby daughter in their sudden bereavement. The funeral will be at the Quay Street Methodist Church, Newport, at 2.30 p.m. today, and the interment will be at Carisbrooke.

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**THE LATE MR. A. CHEVERTON**

**LARGE ATTENDANCE AT FUNERAL**

The large attendance of farmers and representatives of the business life of the Island at the Quay Street Methodist Church, Newport, on Saturday at the funeral of Mr. Arthur Bird Cheverton, of Poleclose Farm, near Newport, who died the previous Tuesday, aged 49, was evidence of the great esteem in which he was held. The Rev. H. Harrison (circuit superintendent minister) conducted the service, and Mr. W. G. Bartlett (organist) accompanied the hymns "The day Thou gavest" and "There is a land of pure delight". Mr. Harrison said that Mr. Cheverton was of a retiring disposition, and he was respecting his wishes in letting his life speak for itself.

The family mourners were Mrs. A. B. Cheverton (widow), Mr. F. A. Cheverton, Miss Dora Cheverton, Mrs. B. Willmott, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Cheverton (uncles and aunts), Mr. R. B. Cheverton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Knott, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Gully, Mr. and Mrs. G. Rice, Miss Betty Cheverton, Mr. J. and Miss P. Rice, Mr. Clayton Rice, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Draper, Mr. K. Rice, and Mr. G. Cheverton (cousins), Mr. K. Urry (nephew), Mr. and Mrs. S. Draper, Mr. and Mrs. H. Urry, and Messrs.

G. and L. Draper and Miss D. Draper (brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law) and Messrs. L. Lacey and L. Pecile (employees).

The Island branch of the N.F.U. was represented by Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Calloway and Mr. R. Urry; the I.W. Federation of Young Farmers Clubs by Mr. O. H. Smith; the Agricultural Executive Committee by Mr. J. J. S. Webster; the Island branch of National Milk Records by Mr. D. H. Smith; Messrs. H. J. Way and Son by Mr. S. A. Watson and Mr. R. R. John; Sir Francis Pittis and Son by Mr. G. B. Robinson; the Home Guard by Mr. J. Reynolds and Mr. H. A. Wills (also representing Major F. Damp, M.C., and No. 2 Platoon D Company); the East Cowes Sailing Club by the rear commodore (Mr. J. A. Dixon) and Messrs. J. Dexter, J. Dexter, jun., and L. Dexter; the I.W. Angling Society by Mr. B. V. Harris (secretary); the Conservative Club by Mr. R. J. Lowen; the Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows by Bros. G. Hazard, P.P.G.M., and A. W. Lockhart (trustee); the Shalfleet branch of Wheatears International by Messrs. W. Barnes, A. F. Tallowin, I. S. Davidson, C. Denton (secretary), J. W. Reynolds, and A. C. Combe, and the Comrades Club, Yarmouth, by Mr. J. Feaver.

Fellow agriculturalists and business representatives attended included Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stark (Kingston Farm), Mr. K. Reed (Reed's), Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Burt (Waylands), Mr. G. W. Ralph (Cooks), Mr. G. H. Ablitt (Elmsworth), Mr. J. H. Jolliffe (Long Lane), Mr. and Mrs. C. Cheek (Broadwood), Mr. W. J. Baker (Messrs. Flux and Son, Ltd. Wroxall Bacon Factory), Mr. Douglas Biles, Mr. M. J. Cover (Mrs. W. Comer, Forest Side), Mr. F. W. Fidgeon (National Provincial Bank), Mr. F. Callaway (Messrs. Arthur Wood, Ltd), Mr. P. J. Roy (also representing Mr. G. Roy), Mr. F. E. Cheek (Messrs. Carter's Seeds), Mr. D. Priddle (Miss Fletcher, Shalfleet Stores), Messrs. E. and R. Bartlett and J. Glaspell (Messrs. R. and S. Bartlett), Mr. N. Spencer (Messrs. F. P. Spencer and Son), Mr. J. Baker (representing Mr. H. R. Palmer and Mr. P. W. Harman, or Messrs. Roach Pittis and Co.), and Mr. J. A. K. Collins (Messrs. A. E. Hook and Co.).

The interment was At Carisbrooke Cemetery, and the 83 wreaths included those from the staff and families of Poleclose Farm; the East Cowes Sailing Club; the Wheatears International; Shalfleet darts team; National Milk Records; late No. 2 Platoon, D. Coy., Home Guard; and the staff of Messrs Frank Cheverton.

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