

Charles Edward Read

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Local Soldier's Accidental Death. – Sergt. Charles Edward Read, Royal Corps of Signals, was killed on Monday week when riding a motor-cycle at Ringwood. He was going round a bend in a narrow road when he collided with a lorry coming in the opposite direction and was so badly injured that he died before an ambulance arrived. His wife, Mrs. O. C. Read, and his small son are living at 30 Melbourne-street. Before joining up at the outbreak of the war Sergt. Read was employed by Messrs. Groves and Guttridge, of Cowes. He had previously served for five years with the Royal Corps of Signals in India. The funeral was on Sunday at Carisbrooke Cemetery, the Rev. H. Ewbank officiating. Those present were Mrs. O. C. Read (widow), Mrs. Flux (mother-in-law), Mr. R. Read (brother), Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cheverton, and Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Flux (brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law), and Corpl. S. Robertson, of the Royal Corps of Signals. There were many wreaths, including those from his wife; mother; mother-in-law; brother Bob and sisters Gert and Ivy; Gwen and Cecil; Mr. and Mrs. Norris and family; Vera, Art, and family; Nora, Joan, and Margaret, of Bruton, Somerset; Ern, Ada, and Elsie; Mr. and Mrs. Cheverton, of Clarendon-street; neighbours of Melbourne-street; neighbours in New-street; No. 1 Squadron Guards Armoured Divional Signals; the C.O. and officers of his unit; and members of the Sergeants' Mess.

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