Henry Shepard

1901 England, Wales & Scotland Census Fernside, St. John's-road, Newport, Isle of Wight, Hampshire, England

Name	Relationship	Status	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Henry Shepard	Head	Married	<i>67</i>	Retired carrier	Newport, IOW
Jane Shepard	Wife	Married	63		Newport, IOW
Emily J. Hendy	Servant	Single	29	General serv. (domestic)	Niton, IOW

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NEWPORT

Death of Mr. Henry Shepard.—We regret to record the death, which occurred early on Saturday morning, at his residence, Fernside, St. John's-road, of Mr. Henry Shepard, aged 76, one of the founders of the well-known carrying business of Messrs. Shepard Bros., and the last surviving member of the old firm.

The late Mr. Shepard, who was greatly esteemed, was a man of considerable culture and wide reading, and early in middle life he retired from business in order to devote himself to his favourite intellectual pursuits and recreation, including music, and he was most usefully identified with the musical life of the town. He graciously acted as teacher to many young men in helping to equip them for life.

Charitable institutions had a friend in him, and for many years he had rendered valued honorary service as trustee of the I.W. Savings Bank. That the Unitarian Christian Church has lost a valued friend by his death is attested by a letter sent on behalf of the members to the widow, by Mr. Leslie Chatfeild-Clarke stating "Mr. Shepard was one of our oldest and staunchest supporters, always ready to help the Church, most regular in attendance at service, and by his kindly nature he had endeared himself to us all."

A vote of condolence was passed at Tuesday's practice of the Philharmonic Society, after Major Way had made reference to the long and valued association of Mr. Sheppard with past and present musical societies.

The funeral took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Thursday, the Rev. J. Ruddle (Unitarian) officiating, and paying a touching tribute to the example of deceased's life, so well and worthily spent. The Unitarian choir sang the hymn "When the day of toil is done". The chief mourners were Messrs. A. F. Shepard, Harry Shepard, J.P., W. Shepard, J.P. Shepard, and G. Shepard (nephews), Mr. William Minns (brotherin-law), and Messrs. W. O., H. W., and C. J. Minns (nephews), Mr. Samuel Pring, Mr. W. Pring (nephew), Mr. John Way, and Mr. A. W. Drew (solicitor).

Amongst those also attending were Dr. Underhill, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Collinson, and Messrs. Leslie Chatfeild-Clarke, C. Webb, T.C. (Deputy Mayor), Ald. W. J. Whittington, J.P., J. G. Pinnock, W. T. Bright, Frank King, E. J. Airs, H. Cushing, A.R.C.O., C. Bound (Norton), F. E. Whitcher, T.C., Carter, Gray, W. Knott, and others.

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