Wilfred Victor James Tyler

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Military Medallist's Death.- Mr. Wilfred Victor James Tyler, aged 58, died at Summer Cottage, East Cowes Road, the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Jolley, on Friday week. Mr. Tyler was the son of the late Mr. E. W. Tyler, a well-known ironmonger. He was articled under Mr. S. E. Tomkins, architect. He joined the army in 1916, serving in the Royal Engineers as a dispatch rider. In 1918 he was twice mentioned in dispatches for his courage and devotion to duty and the following year was awarded the Military medal. From 1920 to 1923 he was an official courier on the staff of the Military Inter-Allied Commission of Control in Berlin. On leaving the army he succeeded his uncle, the late Mr. George Quinton, as proprietor of Messrs. Quinton's builders and contractors. In 1941 he joined the Fire Service, being employed as a clerk of works on the Island and the mainland. In 1946 he was transferred to the Southern Regional fire headquarters at Reading as chief regional draughtsman and senior architectural assistant. For a period he was employed as an architectural draughtsman at Messrs. Airspeed, of Portsmouth, and when the firm was taken over by the De Haviland Aircraft Company he remained there in a similar capacity. The funeral took place on Wednesday at Carisbrooke Cemetery, conducted by the Vicar of Newport (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth). The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Jolley (brother-in-law and sister), the Rev. R. Tyler (brother), Mr. Peter Robinson (nephew), and Miss Quinton (cousin). The arrangements were made by Messrs. W. Wells.

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