

Leonard Douglas Ward

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CARISBROOKE

Young Gunner's Funeral. – Full military honours were accorded by the members of his battery at the funeral on Wednesday of Gunner Leonard D. Ward, R.A., one of four soldier sons of Mr. Ernest Ward (who was wounded in the last war) and Mrs. Ward, of 4 Brooklyn-cottages, Gunville, who was killed while serving with his battery on the South Coast last week. The deceased young man was a very promising gunner and was held in much esteem. In civil life he was employed at the Island Brick Company's works at Rookley. The coffin, draped with the Union Jack, was borne on an Army truck, and his battery were represented by a captain, escort, and firing party, while comrades acted as bearers and a trumpeter sounded the Last Post and Reveille at the graveside at Carisbrooke Cemetery. A service was held at the Gunville Methodist Church. The Rev. W. E. Perry, O.C.F., officiated, and many local friends attended in addition to the following relatives: The parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hayles (sister and brother-in-law), Ptes. P. and B. Ward, of the Hampshire Regiment (brothers), Mrs. F. Ward (sister-in-law), and Mr. H. Ward (uncle).

Mr. H. W. Parnell made the arrangements.

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