William George Whittington

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THE LATE MR. W.G. WHITTINGTON - The death occurred on Friday week at his home, Suncroft, Fairlee Road, of Mr. William George Whittington, aged 55. Mr. Whittington, a native of the Island, has been in failing health for nearly six months. He was employed for 41 years latterly as an inspector by Messrs. Saunders-Roe. During the second world war he served in the Home Guard. He was for many years an enthusiastic member of the St. John's Men's Bible class and the St. John's Athletic Club. He won outright the Rev. W.H. Mackinnon gymnastic challenge cup after three successive wins. Besides being keen on sport he was much interested in his garden. He leaves a widow, one son and a daughter. His father, who also bore the same initials, was for many years owner of a greengrocer's and fruiterer's shop in the High Street. The service was held at St. John's Church on Tuesday, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S.F. Cooper) and included the 21st Psalm and the hymn "Abide with me". The interment was at Carisbrooke cemetery.

The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. C. Earley (brother-in-law and sister, also representing Mr. and Mrs. C. Earley, nephew and niece), Mr. and Mrs. A. Williams, (brother-in-law and sister-in-law, also representing Mrs. A. Williams, mother-in-law). Mr. and Mrs. D. Rayner (nephew and niece, also representing Mr. and Mrs. P. Rayner, nephew and niece), Mrs. P. Williams (niece, also representing Mr. I. and the Misses R. and W. Williams, nephew and nieces), Miss W. Mussell, Mrs. H. Harlow, Mrs. C. Daish, Mr. and Mrs. G. Canning, Mrs. W. Piper and Mr. A. Williams (cousins), Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Ramage, Mr. and Mrs. W. Linaker, Mr. H.J. Williams, Mr. F. Wedge, Mrs. Diment, Mrs. Fosbrook, Mr. Spanner, Mrs. H.J. Williams, Mr. R. Cross and Miss Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. A.E. English (brother-in-law and sister) and family in South Africa, Miss A. Williams, Mrs. E. White, Mrs. R.D Williams, Miss L. Williams, Mrs. N. Chown, Mr. and Mrs. R. Chown, Mr. and Mrs. I. Whittington (aunts and cousins), Mr. and Mrs. F. Richards, Mrs. Mundy, Miss D. Mussell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. Mussel, Mr. and Mrs. Baigent and Mrs. K. Howard were unable to attend. Also present were many representatives of various departments of Messrs. Saunders-Roe.

Mrs. Whittington, Glenna and Barry (daughter and son) would like to thank the directors, the management and inspection departments of East Cowes and Forest Site, and also all fellow workmen concerned with Saunders-Roe for the many floral tributes and letters of sympathy, and also the Priory Secondary Boys' School Parent-Teacher Association.

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