

William John Woolgar

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MILITARY FUNERAL. – Military honours were accorded by the 43rd (Oxford and Bucks) Light Infantry at the funeral yesterday (Friday) of Mr. William John Woolgar, whose death, at the age of 37, took place in the Lulworth Military Hospital on Sunday. Deceased, who was a married man, was quartermaster-sergeant in the Royal Engineers, and saw service during the war in Malta, where he became well known as a cricketer, and was afterwards posted to Singapore, whence he returned some three years ago to the Vocational Training Camp at Chisledon, near Swindon. He received his discharge a month before his death, but was too ill to leave the hospital. The only son of Q.M.S. W.J. Woolgar, formerly well known in Newport, deceased was greatly respected, and was the possessor of the 18 years' long service and good conduct medal. The funeral service at Carisbrooke Cemetery was conducted by the Rev. D. W. Murray, M.C. (chaplain to the 43rd L.I.), and the flag-draped coffin was borne to its last resting place by men of the regiment. The mourners were Mrs. W. J. Woolgar, (mother), Mrs. Woolgar (widow), Mr. and Mrs. Farwell (brother-in-law and sister), Messrs. B. and R. Whitehouse (brothers-in-law), Mrs. Whitehouse (sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. Kemp, Miss Twiddy, and Mr. Stark. The floral tributes included those from Colonel Stibbiard (in command of the Chisledon camp), Captain Bailey, R.E. (of deceased's company), his comrades of the R.E.'s at Larkhill, and R.E. civilian employees.

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