

Charles William Messenger

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The Late Mr. C. W. Messenger.- The death occurred on Wednesday week, of Mr. Charles William Messenger, aged 73, of 165 High Street. Mr. Messenger, who came to the Island last year, was a retired Post Office official, being well known on the London telephone service. He retired in 1945. A native of Colchester, Mr. Messenger had been a prominent member of the City of London Freemasons. On coming to the Island he joined the South African War Veterans' Association. He had fought in the South African War and in the First World War as a Royal Engineer (Signals). Mr. Messenger is survived by two sons. The funeral took place on Saturday at St. Paul's Church conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. L. J. D. Wheatley), who said that Mr. Messenger had always done his best to help other people. The mourners were Mrs. Messenger (wife), Mr. and Mrs. G. W. and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Messenger (sons and daughters in law). Among the large congregation were members of the South African War Veterans' Association with their standard. The interment followed at Newport Cemetery and among the many floral tributes were those from the customers of his shop, his colleagues in London, the South African War Veterans' Association, the I.W. Ice cream and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., and the Prince Regent public house. Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son made the arrangements.

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