

**Rowley Aloysius Taylor**

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**Master Plumber's Death.**— The death occurred on Saturday of Mr. Rowley A. Taylor, aged 78, of 40 Fairlee Road. Mr. Taylor was a well-known and popular figure in the town, having been in business with his sons as plumbers and heating engineers for the last 35 years. He had been a member of the old Volunteer Fire Brigade, the early carnival committees, the Football Club, and the former Conservative Bowling Club. He had also served as a special constable, and was awarded a long service medal. In the second world war he was A.R.P. warden for the Fairlee district. A keen football follower, Mr. Taylor played for the old Ryde Red Star club in his youth. Throughout his adult life he had been a staunch supporter of the Conservative party, being a member of the committees of the Newport branch of the Conservative Association and the Conservative Club. The funeral took place on Wednesday at the Roman Catholic Church, when Father O'Mahoney conducted the service. The family mourners were Mrs. R. A. Taylor (widow), Miss D. Taylor (daughter), Mr. H. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. W. R., Mr. and Mrs. A. W., and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Taylor (sons and daughters-in-law), and the Misses M. and A. Taylor and Masters A. and C. Taylor (grandchildren). Capt. H. A. Drudge, M.B.E., represented the Member for the Island (Sir Peter MacDonald, K.B.E.) and the I.W. Conservative and Unionist Association. Also represented were Messrs. R. Which, R. Reed, H. and F. Damp, O. C. Hamilton and Son, and A. E. Jukes. The floral tributes numbered about 35 and included those from Messrs. A. T. Plumbley, H. and F. Damp, Duke Bros., R. G. W. Reed, O. C. Hamilton and Son, Bennett and Hamilton, E. W. Barton, and T. Rashley, of Ryde. Interment followed in Newport Cemetery. The arrangements were made by Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son.—The family thank all who sent wreaths and letters of sympathy.

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