

## William Robert Rolf

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### NEWPORT

**Death of Mr. W. R. Rolf.**---The death occurred on Sunday at St. Mary's Hospital, of Mr. William Robert Rolf, aged 54, of 11 Cross Lanes. A native of the town, he was the son of the late Mr. William Rolf, a well-known captain of one of the vessels transporting goods between the Island and the mainland. Mr. Rolf followed in his father's footsteps, being in turn for the last 30 years mate on boats owned by Messrs. Pickfords and Messrs. Crouchers and latterly British Road Services. He loved an outdoor life and in his early days was an enthusiastic camper and cyclist. He had been a supporter of the local football club since boyhood. Illness overtook him nine weeks ago. The funeral took place on Wednesday at the Congregational Church, conducted by the Rev. Dr. W. H. Mildon. During the service the singing of two of Mr. Rolf's favourite hymns, "Lead us, Heavenly Father, lead us" and "Abide with me," were accompanied at the organ by Mr. W. G. Bartlett. The mourners were Mrs. Rolf (widow), Mr. and Mrs. R. Hendy, Mr. and Mrs. T. Perriton, and Miss I. Rolf (brothers-in-law and sisters), Mr. C. Perriton (nephew), Mr. and Mrs. W. Hilling (brother-in-law and sister-in-law) and Mr. G. Pritty. Among the floral tributes were those from members of the General Transport Workers' Union, the management and staff of British Road Services, and workmates at Cowes and Newport. Interment was at St. Paul's Cemetery. The arrangements were made by Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son.

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