

Arthur Frank Wolfe

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LOCAL MAN ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

The death occurred at an East Coast military camp last week, as the result of an unfortunate accidental shooting incident, of Pte. Arthur Frank Wolfe, aged 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wolfe, of 4 School-lane. He was an officer's batman, and was cleaning a revolver when another officer entered the tent, and according to evidence given at the inquest, this officer loaded the revolver, which, he stated, went off without pulling the trigger. Pte. Wolfe was shot through the stomach, and he died in a military hospital after an operation had been performed in the hope of saving his life. In returning a verdict of "Accidental death", the Coroner described the officer's action as "very careless", and expressed sympathy with the parents. Pte. Wolfe's body was brought home for burial, and the internment was on Monday, following a service at St. Paul's Church. The Vicar (the Rev. H. G. Kelsey) officiated, and the mourners included his relatives and a number of friends. In addition to those from his comrades of A company of a battalion of the Hants Regt., and all ranks of the battalion, wreaths were sent by: His sorrowing Mum and Dad; Rose, Nob, Janet, and Pat; Rene, Pam, and Pauline; Margaret, Charlie, and Sally; brothers and sister Edith; Gran and Granfer; Nannie and Charlie; Auntie Alice, Uncle Jack, and family; Auntie Sis, Uncle Herb, and family; Auntie May, Uncle Alf, and family; cousins, 4 Prospect-road; Auntie Ann, Uncle Perce, and Gilly; Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Gustard and families; neighbours and friends of School-lane and Highfield-road; Stan and his mother; Mr. and Mrs. Wareham; Mr. and Mrs. Caddy; Mr. and Mrs. Attrill (Cowes); Kathleen Miles (Gillingham); Mary (London); friends and customers of the Prince Regent; friends and customers of the Princess Royal.

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