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Death Notice:

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OBITUARY MR. W.E. SOUTER

The death occurred at the Royal I.W. County Hospital on Thursday, after only a day's illness, of **Mr. William Edward SOUTER**, aged 75, of 34 Queen's Road, Ryde. Mr. SOUTER was well-known in the East Wight in connection with the Wootton milling business established by his grandfather, John SOUTER. After leaving the mill, Mr. SOUTER farmed Fernhill Farm, Wootton, for twenty years, coming to Ryde upon his retirement in 1942.

The funeral service was at All Saints' Parish Church, Ryde, on Monday. Canon A. CORY, R.D., officiated, and Mr. W. L. REED was at the organ.

The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. K. E. M. SOUTER (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs. M. DAFT (sister), Miss SOUTER (step-sister), Mr. W. SOUTER (step-brother), Mr. J. SOUTER (nephew).

Among others present were Miss J. WICKENDEN, Miss P. WICKENDEN, Miss E. JENKINS, Mrs. J. FLEMING, Mrs. G. BRODIE, J.P., Miss BRODIE, Mr. Bertram HILL, Mr. R. H. TAYLOR, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. STAINER, Mr. F. B. DUNFORD (also representing Mrs. DUNFORD), Mrs. BOYCE. Snr., Mr. H. M. WAY, Miss A. BRODIE, Mrs. GREENWOOD, Mr. and Mrs. H. GRINHAM, Mr. C. REED, Alderman and Mrs. MEARS, Mr. D. O. HOGG, Mr. A. J. SAUNDERS (representing Messrs. A. J. SAUNDERS and Sons), Mr. A. J. NEWBERY, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. FRAY, Mr. G. MEW, Mr. H. MARCH, Mr. H. COLYER, Mr. A. J. ARCHER, Lieut.-Col. C. L. ELLERY, O.B.E., Mr. F. P. MELLISH (also representing Mr. S. E. B. MELLISH).

There were 23 wreaths including one from the Ryde Conservative Club.

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