

MARRIAGE: 3rd ¼ 1894 (General Registrars ref: Portsea Island Reg dist. Vol 2B. Page 883)
William Alfred WILLIAMS & Annie MARSHALL

1901 CENSUS: RG13/1024. Folio 79. Page 16.
Address: Cumberland House (3 rooms), St. Thomas's-street, Ryde, IW.

William WILLIAMS. Head. M. 37. Ironmonger's Porter. Ryde, IW.
Annie WILLIAMS. Wife. M. 26. Newport, IW.
Stanley A. WILLIAMS. Son. 3. Ryde, IW.

In 1911 William Alfred was living at 45 Arthur-street, Ryde, with his wife Annie, son Stanley, and daughter Rose. He was listed as an Iron Monger's Assistant.

1920 KELLY's DIRECTORY Of Hampshire & Isle of Wight - page 723
WILLIAMS Annie (Mrs), apartments, Devonshire House, Spencer-road, Ryde, IW.

1935 KELLY's DIRECTORY of Ryde & Neighbourhood - pages 68 & 196.
WILLIAMS Mrs. Annie, apartments, Devonshire House, Spencer-road (North side) Ryde, IW.

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Death Notice: -

WILLIAMS.-- October 28 at Devonshire House, Spencer Road, Ryde, Mr. William Alfred WILLIAMS, aged 72.

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MR. W. A. WILLIAMS

We regret to report the death, which took place on Monday, in his 73rd year, of Mr. William Alfred WILLIAMS, of Devonshire House, Spencer Road, Ryde. For 57 years he was organ blower at the Congregational church until his retirement last June owing to failing health. In his younger days he won a great reputation as a walker, and won many long-distance walking contest round the Canoe Lake. By trade he was a printer and bookbinder but he gave up this occupation a good many years ago to become a porter, having a long service record with his employers, Messrs. Timothy White Ltd. His many friends will regret the passing of his familiar figure. The funeral will take place at the Congregational Church today (Thursday).

ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thurs 7th November 1935

OBITUARY MR. W. A. WILLIAMS

The funeral of the late Mr. W. A. WILLIAMS, of Devonshire, Spencer Road, Ryde, whose death we reported last week took place on Thursday, the service being conducted at the Congregation Church by the Rev. W.R. LLOYD. They were there, Mr. LLOYD said, to pay a last tribute to one who was not one of the great ones of the earth in the accepted sense of the term, but they were paying their last respects to one of the faithful ones of the earth, and after all in God's sight faithfulness was preferable to greatness. There were so many who lived in the limelight, even in the Christianity, and there were so many who were prepared to render service to Jesus Christ if they could be seen and heard. He preferred to be an organ-blower in the

house of God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. One in the literal sense unseen and unnoticed, he was one of the essential workers of the Church of God. How often, Mr. LLOYD asked, had he tolled the bell to welcome outsiders to come in to hear the gospel, and how many times had he stood in the organ loft, faithful to duty and giving what was absolutely necessary in order that the music of the sanctuary might be enjoyed by the congregation.

The mourners were Mrs. WILLIAMS (widow), Mr. and Mrs. G.A. WILLIAMS (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. N.G. PATTERSON (son-in-law and daughter) and Mrs. WILLIAMS of Gurnard (sister-in-law). Amongst others present were Mr. W.R. PINCHARD, Mr. H.G. JOLLIFFE, Mr. W. MORRIS, Mrs. POLLARD, Mrs. TOOGOOD, Mr. D.L. JONES, Mr. W.E. GALLEY, Mrs. E. RAYNER (representing the Brunswick Laundry), Mrs. LLOYD, Mr. B. STEWARD, Miss WEEKES, Miss LOCKE, Miss HAROLD, Mrs. BUSHELL and Mr. G. WHITE. The choir led the singing of the hymn, "Abide with Me," and at the close the organist, Mr. H.J. BOUND, played Chopin's Funeral March, which was a favourite of the late Mr. WILLIAMS.

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