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OBITUARY MR. W. BREWSTER

A familiar figure in Ryde for many years, Mr. **William BREWSTER**, of Belevedere, Mellville Street, passed away on Monday evening. Mr. BREWSTER was 75 years of age and a member of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club. He had travelled all over the world. A very generous supporter of all good causes, his presence will be greatly missed in many directions.

The remains will be cremated at Woking to-day (Thursday) and a memorial service will be held later.

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Death Notice:-

BREWSTER .. On November 13th, suddenly at Belvedere, Ryde, I.W., William BREWSTER, of Boston, Mass., U.S.A., aged 75 years.

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DEATH OF MR. W. BREWSTER

Much regret is felt at the death, which occurred suddenly at Belevedere, Ryde, on Monday, of Mr. William BREWSTER, aged 75, of Boston, Mass., U.S.A. Deceased was well known here for his generosity to many charities. Although his home was in the United States he always spent part of the year at Ryde, where he was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was a great traveller, and there was hardly a place in the world which he had not visited. A keen philatelist, he possessed a valuable collection of foreign stamps. He gave very liberally to every good cause, though usually with a stipulation that his name should not be mentioned in connection with it, and there are many who will miss his kindly benefactions. For many years he handed as much as £30 a year to the local police inspector for the distribution of coal during the winter months to the very needy of the town. On Thursday the remains were taken to Woking for cremation, and a short service was held at St. John's Church there.

The mourners were two very intimate friends, Mr. F. BOGER and Mr. A.S. GORDON, who are hoping on receiving instructions from deceased's executor in America, to arrange for a memorial service to be held at Holy Trinity Church, at which a number of his many friends would wish to attend. Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL were the undertakers.

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