

**MILLIGAN Robt.** Esq., Bellevue-road, Ryde, IW.

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1861 CENSUS: RG9/658. Folio 15. page 26.

Address: East Ridge, Bellevue-road, Ryde, Newchurch, IW.

**Robert MILLIGAN. Head. Mar. 73. Fundholder. London.**

Elizabeth M. MILLIGAN. Wife. Mar. 67. London.

Sophia MILLIGAN. Dau. Un. 43. London.

Mary MILLIGAN. Sister. Un. 69. Fundholder. London.

Mary Ann POTTON. Serv. Un. 26. Lady's Maid. Hertfordshire.

Elizabeth SLY. Serv. Un. 46. Lady's Maid. Cheltenham.

Frances YOUNG. Serv. Un. 47. Cook. Brading, IW.

Hannah LEAL. Serv. Un. 59. Housemaid. St. Helens, IW.

Fanny GALLOP. Serv. Un. 16. Under Housemaid. Newchurch, IW.

Janetta HUGHAN. Visitor. Un. 24. Corney, Gloucs.

Wilhemina HUGHEN. Visitor. Un. 21. London.

Caroline Mary HALL. Visitor. Un. 25. Wigsbaden (British Subject).

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1871 CENSUS: RG10/1166. Folio 36. page 17.

Address: Eastridge, Bellevue-road, Ryde, IW.

**Robert MILLIGAN. Head. Mar. 83. Gentleman. London.**

Elizabeth M. MILLIGAN. Wife. Mar. 77. London.

Mary A. POTTON. Serv. Unm. 36. Lady's Maid Domestic. Hitchin, Hertfordshire.

Frances YOUNG. Serv. Unm. 57. Cook Domestic. Brading, IW.

Hannah LEALE. Serv. Unm. 69. Housemaid Domestic. St. Helens, IW.

Louisa GALLOP. Serv. Unm. 22. Kitchenmaid Domestic. Ryde, IW.

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ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 1875

Death Notice:-

**MILLIGAN** .. Died lamented and beloved on the 21<sup>st</sup> at Eastridge, Ryde, **Robert MILLIGAN** in the 89<sup>th</sup> year of his age. He was present at Waterloo with the Regt., the 11<sup>th</sup> Light Dragoons, when he was severely wounded.

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ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 1875

**DEATH OF MR. MILLIGAN**

We have this week lost another of our oldest resident gentry, in the person of Mr. MILLIGAN of Eastridge, Bellevue-road, who died on Tuesday evening, at the age of 88. There are very few now living who were present at the Battle of Waterloo. Mr. MILLIGAN enjoyed this great distinction, for he was an officer of the 11<sup>th</sup> Light Dragoons and was in the famous battle, which ended in the total overthrow of Napoleon, and his exile to St. Helens.

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ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 1876

**FUNERAL OF ROBERT MILLIGAN ESQ.**

On Tuesday the mortal remains of Mr.. Robert MILLIGAN were consigned to their last resting place in the Cemetery. Previous to the funeral however, the coffin was placed in the library

and round it were ranged many relics of interest, which the friends of the deceased gentleman were allowed the privilege of inspecting. The coffin, a most beautiful one, was made by Messrs. MARVIN and Son, who were the undertakers. It was of polished oak, with a coped top, upon which a cross and a crown of glory were carved. A plate at the foot bore the following inscription:

ROBERT MILLIGAN  
Aged 88 years.  
Died at Ryde  
21 Dec 1875  
formerly of  
11<sup>th</sup> Regt. Light Dragoons  
and 2 Life Guards  
Severely wounded at Waterloo.

Upon the coffin were placed a number of beautiful wreaths of flowers - one of camellias and maiden-hair fern was sent by Miss CRAMER; Mrs. EWBANK contributed a beautiful cross of white flowers; other wreaths and beautiful flowers were sent by Lady LEES, Miss PILKINGTON, Miss Theresa KNOWLES, and Mrs. LEACH. The two swords of the deceased rested upon the coffin and distributed about the room were a number of other relics of interest. The most remarkable was the leather sash the deceased gentleman had worn at Waterloo, and which saved his life by warding off the thrust of a bayonet. On a table near were a number of interesting relics of Waterloo - buttons off the coats of the French soldiers and eagles from their caps; a French Infantry book of the 88<sup>th</sup> Regiment; a number of letters, which had been picked up from the field, amongst which was one from some young soldier to his relatives, and which he never lived to complete. There was also an interesting portrait of Mr. MILLIGAN in the uniform of the Dragoons, with his arm resting upon his charger "Sir Brent", which he bestrode at Waterloo, and another portrait of Mr. MILLIGAN when young, and of Mrs. MILLIGAN by Sir Thomas LAWRENCE, besides many other mementoes of the great fight with the history of which all Englishmen are, or ought to be acquainted. We must not omit to mention, however, a relic of a different kind which was placed upon the coffin- the basket used nearly ten years ago on the occasion of Mr. and Mrs. MILLIGAN celebrating their golden wedding. The flowers it then held have long since withered and died, it now held fresh ones for a more mournful occasion. Had Mr. MILLIGAN lived till next July, he would have been able to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his marriage with Mrs. MILLIGAN, who still survives. The funeral took place at 12 o'clock on Tuesday and the whole arrangements were carried out in simple good taste. There were no hideous mourning carriages, or feathers to the hearse, or long tailing hat bands - in fact there was an entire absence of the gloomy "paraphernalia of woe" which custom rather than good taste has preserved. The coffin was conveyed to Trinity Church, where the first part of the service (which was full choral) was gone through. The following were the relatives who attended: Major MILLIGAN, Mr. William MILLIGAN, Capt. MILLIGAN, Mr. BAILLIE, Capt. BAILLIE, Miss Helen BAILLIE, the Rev. R. OLIVER, the Rev. James MACONCHY (Vicar of All Saints, Norfolk-square), and the Rev. F. BARNES. Both the last named gentlemen took part in the service with the Rev. A. J. WADE, the former reading the epistle. Amongst the friends who attended we observed Sir John LEES, Col TATNELL, Capt Gordon WATSON, Capt KNOWLES, RN, Lady KNOWLES, the Misses KNOWLES (2) and Miss PILKINGTON. The coffin was then conveyed to the Cemetery, where the rest of the service was gone through and the remains of the deceased gentleman placed in the vault in which repose those of his sister, Miss Mary MILLIGAN. The rest of the service was performed by Rev. A. J. WADE and the Rev. F. BARNES, and concluded with the singing of the beautiful hymn, by the Trinity choir, "Jesus Lives".