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Abode: 29 Swanmore-road, Ryde, IW.

William MORRIS. Head. M. 35. Blacksmith. Ryde, IW.
Emma MORRIS. Wife. M. 40. Lymington, Hants.
Alice E.MORRIS. Dau. 11. Ryde, IW.
Edith M.MORRIS. Dau. 6. Ryde, IW.
George W.MORRIS. Son. 3. Ryde, IW.

MARRIAGE: 1922 Holy Trinity Church, Ryde, IW. (IW Registrars ref: COE36.3/64)
George William MORRIS & Violet Nora BAKER.

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MORRIS George William
MORRIS Violet Nora

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MORRIS .. On April 19th at "Kildare," Arundel-road, Ryde, **George William MORRIS**, darling husband of Nora and dear dad of Barbara and Margaret.

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ASSISTANT RATING OFFICER'S DEATH

We regret to record the death, of which occurred at his home, Kildare, Arundel-road, Ryde, on Friday of Mr. **George William MORRIS**, assistant rating officer for the Borough of Ryde. Only 48 years of age, Mr. MORRIS had been ailing since January, but his illness took a serious turn only a few days before his death. A native of Ryde, he served in the 1914-18 war with the 4th Battalion of the Worcestershire Regiment. He was taken prisoner in France in 1915, and for three years underwent the privations of a German prison camp.

In civilian life Mr. MORRIS took up an appointment with the Inland Revenue authorities in 1913. In 1929, he resigned to become rating officer to the St. Helens Urban District Council, and after the 1933 review of districts took up the position of assistant rating officer to the Borough of Ryde. Mr. MORRIS was a Freemason, a Forester and a member of the British Legion. His father the late Mr. William MORRIS, will be recalled as being for many years the chairman of Ryde Sports Club. A highly esteemed resident, Mr. MORRIS leaves a wife and two daughters, with whom much sympathy is felt.

The funeral service was conducted at St. John's Church on Monday by the Rev. E.T.H. ROYDS (vicar), and the Rev. A. CORY (vicar of Ryde) read the lesson and Masonic oration. Mr. R.H. TOOGOOD (organist and a colleague) played Handel's "Largo" before the service, and "Jesu. Joy of man's desiring" (Bach) at the conclusion. The Masonic Brethren sang their Closing Ode.

The mourners were Mrs. MORRIS (widow), the Misses Barbara and Margaret MORRIS (daughters), Sergt. R.C. MORRIS R.E. (brother) Mrs. J. RUSS (sister), Mrs. R.C. MORRIS (sister-in-law), Mr. J. RUSS (brother-in-law), Mr. H. BASSHAM, Mr. and Mrs. W.G.S. SUTTON, Mr. J. AITCHHISON (borough treasurer), Mr. A.E. SELLERS (rating officer), Mr. H. BELL, Mr. A.J. NEWBERY and Mr. G. WHITE. Among those present were the Mayor (Lieut.-Col. C.L. ELLERY,

O.B.E.), Aldermen A.F. WRIGHT, J.P., and J.E. JACKSON, Councillors E.N. NEWMAN, H. ROGERS, F. SEARLE, L. WHEELER, A.E. AYMES, G.L. EVANS (also representing the British Legion), H.A. WOODS, A. GRIST, S.L. MATTHEWS, V. WARREN and F. MILLS, Messrs. E.S. SHEPPARD (town clerk), A.J. READ (deputy town clerk), B.F. HOLNESS (borough surveyor), A. AINLEY (sanitary inspector), K.J. HOSKING (deputy borough treasurer), R.F. SEARLE, K.J. TRUCKEL, R. LUGG, V.A. HAYDEN, H.J. BROOKS and Mrs. D.M. MILLER, (Council offices staff).

The Worshipful Master (Wor. Bro. B. HOLBROOK) and the following members of the East Medina Lodge of Freemasons attended : Bros. F.A. BRICKEL, W.J. JONES, A.W. MASON, A.L. BROWNE B. JOLLIFFE, F.J. CHRISTOPHER, S.J. SMITH, H.G. JOLLIFFE, G. SMITH, G.J. SPRINGER, H.S. and E. CASTLE, A.W. RABBITTS, H.R. TURNER, Major A. DENNIS, J. SPRINGER (also representing Bro. J. BRADFORD), H. DALLIMORE, A.W. TIMMS, J.A. JACKSON, R. HARLEY, and T. PRAGNELL.

Others present included Major J.C. BASSETT, D.S.O., Messrs. W.J. and C. BRADING, Mrs. D.J. EDMUNDS (representing the tenants of the Council houses in St. Michael's and Station roads, St. Helens), Mr. J.B. COOMBES (borough auditor), Mesdames GRAY, H. DALLIMORE, G. SUTTON, ELLIOTT (also representing Mr. J. ELLIOTT), THOMPSON (also representing Mr. T.M. THOMPSON), J. AITCHISON, E.A. SELLERS, TOOGOOD, KEY, EADE, Miss TOOGOOD, Messrs. A., J., and T.B. JONES.

Nearly 40 floral tributes were placed on the grave in the Ryde Cemetery including tokens from the Mayor and Corporation ; colleagues at the Council office ; the British Legion ; the Foresters ; the tenants of the Council houses at St. Michael's and Station roads, St. Helens ; tenants of Nettlestone Council houses ; tenants of Harding-road, Cross-street and Great Preston-road Council houses ; East Medina Lodge, 175.

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