

1851 CENSUS: HO107/1665. folio 291. page 1.
Address: Shorwell, IW.

John SMITH. Head. Mar. 44. Groom. Stanmore, Middx.
Mary Ann SMITH. Wife. Mar. 43. Laundress. London, Middx.
Martha Ann SMITH. Dau. 13. At Home. Shorwell, IW.
Henry SMITH. Son. 9. Scholar. Shorwell, IW.
Eliza SMITH. Dau. 3. Scholar. Shorwell, IW.
Louisa SMITH. Dau. 6. Scholar. Shorwell, IW.

MARRIAGE: 12th April 1866 at Christchurch, Sandown, IW.
Henry SMITH. Full/age. Bachelor. (father: John SMITH)
& Charlotte STAY. Full/age. Spinster. (father: James STAY).

1881 CENSUS: RG11/1178. folio 68. page 25.
Address: 3 Church-lane, Ryde, IW.

Henry SMITH. Head. Mar. 39. Mariner. Shorwell, IW.
Charlotte SMITH. Wife. Mar. 41. Ryde, IW.
Louisa C. SMITH. Dau. 13. Scholar. Ryde, IW.
Jas. H. W. SMITH. Son. 11. Scholar. Ryde, IW.
Louis SMITH. Son. 6. Scholar. Ryde, IW.
Tom PATTINSON. Boarder. Unm. 22. Tailor. Wigton, Cumberland.

1891 CENSUS: RG12/890. folio 63. page 36.
Address: 3 Church Lane, Ryde, IW.

Henry SMITH. Head. M. 49. Master Fisherman. Shorwell, IW.
Charlotte SMITH. Wife. M. 52. Lodging House Keeper. Ryde, IW.
Louisa SMITH. Dau. S. 23. Ryde, IW.
Harry SMITH. Son. S. 21. Fisherman. Ryde, IW.
Louis SMITH. Son. S. 17. Apprentice Printer. Ryde, IW.
Mildred JAMES. Gr/dau. 1. Ryde, IW.
Arthur BARNICOTT. Lodger. S. 21. R.E. Sapper. Portsmouth, Hants.
Richard WAKE. Lodger. S. 21. R.E. Sapper. Southampton, Hants.
Arthur LEARY. Lodger. S. 22. R.E. Sapper. Malbrough, Wilts.
George HARRISON. Lodger. S. 20. R.E. Sapper. Southampton, Hants.

1901 CENSUS: RG13/1024. folio 11. page 14.
Address: 3 Church-lane, Ryde, IW.

Harry SMITH. Head. M. 59. Fisherman (own account). Shorwell, IW.
Charlotte SMITH. Wife. M. 61. Ryde, IW.
Henry P.W. SMITH. Son. S. 31. Fisherman (own account). Ryde, IW.

VETERAN LIFEBOATMAN'S DEATH

The death occurred on Wednesday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. F. JAMES, 3 Marine-terrace, Castle-street, of Mr. **Henry SMITH**, a retired Lifeboatman. Deceased, who was 88 years of age, was a native of Shorwell. From thence he removed to Sandown, and later to Ryde, where he was at first employed at Hooper's (now Mac Fisheries) shop in Pier-street. he afterwards took to yachting and served on a number of vessels. In later years he was a fisherman. He was a well-known character on the foreshore. A member of the original lifeboat crew at Ryde he served in the Hans Busk, the first boat on the station, as early as 1869. He saw between 40 and 50 years' service and retired about 20 years ago with a small annuity. He was second coxswain for many years, and was very seldom absent from the launch. He was the oldest member of the Culver Lodge of Oddfellows, Sandown. In politics he was a staunch Conservative, and had taken an active part in general elections for over half a century. He was a former member of the Conservative Club.

The funeral takes place this (Saturday) afternoon at 1.45 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church.

LIFEBOATMAN'S FUNERAL

The funeral of Mr. **Henry SMITH**, the veteran lifeboatman, of 3 Marine-terrace, Castle-street, took place at Holy Trinity Church on Saturday. The Vicar (the Rev. Noel H. STUBBS) officiated. The mourners were Mr. L. SMITH (son), Mr. and Mrs. F. JAMES (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. G. SMITH (grandson), Miss D. JAMES (grand-daughter), Mr. G. HARVEY (nephew), Miss M. HARVEY (niece), Mr. Albert REEVES, Miss B. CASS, Mrs. POULTON, Messrs. H. and J. COOPER (Sandown), Mrs LACEY, and Mr. Samuel BARTON. Among others present were Mr. S. W. BROOKER (representing the Missions to Seamen), Messrs. G. BARTON, G. ROWE, H.C. AVERY, and C. VARDY, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. HALSTED. The remains were enclosed in a polished elm coffin with brass furniture, and were buried by the side of his wife's grave at Ryde Cemetery. Choice flowers were placed on the grave.

*NB: It has been noted that the name on all the official records was **Henry**, but *Harry* was used in general, probably to distinguish between that of himself and his son.*

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