

**Information contributed by Gillian Green, granddaughter of Charles and Marjorie Minter.**

The two photographs are of Charles and Marjorie on the occasion of their wedding on 01 June 1935, and the other is of my grandfather's greengrocery shop which was located at the top of the town in Newport, No. 17 Carisbrooke Road, which was opposite Wray's Bakery shop.

The following short biographical notes were taken from Charles obituary in the CP:

**About Minter, Charles Edward**

Charles was educated at Newport Board School, and left at the age of 14. He worked as a fireman during WWII; before and after the war he worked with Uffa Fox at Cowes as a boatbuilder. He was also one of a group responsible for building airborne lifeboats, which were reputed to have saved as many as 40,000 lives during the war years. The loss of a leg forced Charles to leave the boat-building industry and in 1948 he opened C. E. Minter's Greengrocery business at 17 Carisbrooke Road, Newport, (which he kept) until he moved to Ryde in 1962. He then worked as a maintenance man at Southern Vectis and also for Paul's Coach Tours (Corner of Union Street/Castle Street) until his retirement in 1975. Much of his retirement was spent visiting his daughter who lives in Canada, and travelling the World. In 1962 he became a member of The Loyal Order of the Moose in which he held office as Governor several times. Charles was a very keen cyclist giving up cycling at the age of 86. He was former record holder of The Round - The - Island Cycle Race. Charles was a wonderful storyteller. Charles' funeral service was conducted by his good friend The Reverend Ian Card at the Church of the Holy Cross Binstead. It included a programme of hymns and address Charles chose more than ten years before his death.

Charles was buried at Binstead cemetery, alongside his wife Marjorie, on 12 January 1998.

**DETAILS OF THE DEATH CERTIFICATE**

Reference: A81A/219

Name: MINTER, Charles, E

Approximate year of death: 1998

In addition to the 10 siblings that Ann (Barrett) has listed there is another,

**About Minter, Alice Louisa**

England & Wales, FreeBMD Birth Index, 1837-1915

about Alice Louisa Minter

Name: Alice Louisa Minter

Date of Registration: Jul-Aug-Sep 1907

Registration district: Croydon

Inferred County: Greater London, Kent, Surrey

Volume: 2a

**DETAILS OF THE MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE**

Reference: COE29.3/244

Year of Marriage: 1926

Place: St Thomas, Newport Participants:

MAUNDER, Frederick, W, E

MINTER, Alice, L

**DETAILS OF THE DEATH CERTIFICATE**

Reference: A12A/E9

Name: GUSTAR, Alice, Louisa

Other surname that may be relevant: MINTER

Approximate year of death: 1977

**also**

Leonard Minter's marriage details:

Leonard married Joan Winifred RYE in Dec 1947 in Hampstead, London. Joan was born on 22 May 1927 and died in Sep 2001 in Newport, Wales RD aged 74.

Len died in Aug 1994 in Pontypool, Wales aged 74.