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Musician's Widow. - The funeral took place on Friday week of Mrs. Molly Elizabeth Ada ELGAR, aged 58, of 90 West Street, who died at Southampton General Hospital on Monday week. She was the widow of Mr. Cecil Hamilton ELGAR, a prominent Island musician whose dance orchestra bearing his name was at one time well-known throughout the Wight. Mr. ELGAR died in 1967. Mrs. ELGAR also was keenly interested in music, and was a member of Ryde Philharmonic Society. She was wardrobe mistress with the Apollo Theatre, and was an active supporter of the I.W. Indoor Swimming Pool Association, of which she was a member of the original committee. She leaves an only daughter. Fr. R.D.W. HENDRY celebrated requiem Mass at St. Mary's R.C. Church. The large congregation included many members of the church and friends.

The mourners were Miss C.A. ELGAR (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. C. ROBINSON (brother and sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. F. CONWAY and Mr. and Mrs. J. McGOWAN (brothers-in-law and sisters), Mr. M. WOODS (nephew), Mr. and Mrs. J. BARTON (cousins) and Dr. T. SIM. Represented and sending floral tributes were the Rev. Mother and Community of St. Therese Convent; headmistress, staff and pupils of St. Therese Convent; staff and ladies of 90 West Street; I.W. Indoor Swimming Pool Association; and the Apollo Players. Ryde Philharmonic Association were also represented. Fr. HENDRY officiated at the burial service at the family grave at Binstead Cemetery.

Messrs. H.V. TAYLOR and Son made the arrangements.

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