

1871 CENSUS: RG10/1167. folio 86. page 21.  
Address: Oscar Cottage, Seaview, IW.

Fredrick MATTHEWS. Head. Mar. 37. Mariner. St. Helens, IW.  
Jeanette MATTHEWS. Wife. Mar. 36. Mariner's Wife. Ryde, IW.  
**Edward V. MATTHEWS. Son. 15. Grocer's Apprentice. Ryde, IW.**  
Maria J. MATTHEWS. Dau. 13. Scholar. Ryde, IW.

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1881 CENSUS: RG11/1179. folio 46. page 43.  
Address: 43 St. John's-road, Ryde, IW.

F. J. MATTHEWS. Head. Mar. 48. Photographer. Seaview, Hants.  
Jennette MATTHEWS. Wife. Mar. 47. Ryde, Hants.  
**E. V. MATTHEWS. Son. Unm. 25. Photographer. Ryde, Hants.**

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MARRIAGE: 19<sup>th</sup> July 1883 at St. Mary's Church, Cowes  
**Edward Vinter MATTHEWS. 27. Bachelor. (father: Frederick James MATTHEWS)**  
& Emily Eliza FARMER. 26. Spinster. (father: George FARMER)

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1901 CENSUS: RG13/1025. Folio 94. Page 40  
Address: 33 St. John's-road, Ryde, IW.

**Edward V. MATTHEWS. Head. M. 45. Photographer (employer). Ryde, IW.**  
Emily E. MATTHEWS. Wife. M. 43. Newport, IW.  
W. J. ROLMER. Visitor. S. 79. Merchant (employer). Germany.  
A. Graham NEWSON. Visitor. S. 58. Kendal, Westmorland.

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*In 1911 Edward Vinter MATTHEWS (55) was living at 33 St. John's-road, Ryde, with his wife Emily Eliza (54). Edward was listed as a Photographer Own Account.*

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1915 KELLY'S DIRECTORY of Hampshire & Isle of Wight – page 719  
**MATTHEWS & Son**, photographers, 33 St. John's-road, Ryde, IW.

1920 KELLY'S DIRECTORY of Hampshire & Isle of Wight – page 721  
**MATTHEWS & Son**, photographers, 33 St. John's-road, Ryde, IW.

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ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1925

### **DEATH of MR. E. V. MATTHEWS.**

We regret to record the sudden death of a well-known townsman, Mr. Edward Vinter MATTHEWS, which occurred during his sleep about five o'clock on Saturday morning at his residence, 33 St. John's road. The deceased, who was 68 years of age, was the son of the late Mr. Frederick MATTHEWS, photographer, and he succeeded his father in that business and interested himself in various societies, especially in connection with horticulture. He was very active in the revival of the I.W. Horticultural Society and the Island Rose Show, being hon. Secretary of the latter for 20 years. He was busily engaged at the Rose Show which was held in the grounds of West Hill, Shanklin, on Thursday, and was working as usual on Friday after travelling to Shanklin by the first morning train from Ryde to complete arrangements for the disposal of the exhibits. The same night he settled up the whole of the accounts and retired to rest as usual. Mr.

MATTHEWS, however, was afflicted with heart trouble and had been in indifferent health for a considerable time, nevertheless the news of his sudden death was a matter of painful surprise to his numerous friends, and great sympathy was extended to the widow in her bereavement, also to his sister, Mrs. LUSCOMBE, widow of the late Captain LUSCOMBE, his only relative and who resides at that address. He had, expressed himself very pleased with the successful results of the recent show. Mr. MATTHEWS was secretary of the Ryde Advertising Association since its formation and rendered most valuable work as honorary collector and in the issuing of guides, etc. He also acted as secretary to the committee for providing a tea and entertainment to ex-service men's widows and their families, which has been successfully carried out for several years past. He will be greatly missed in respect to both of these undertakings. For six years he was chairman of the Conservative and Constitutional Club in Lind street, and was a staunch Conservative and churchman. He was formerly in the choir at St. Michael's, Swanmore, and subsequently at Holy Trinity, being sidesman at the latter church up to the time of his death. The late Mr. MATTHEWS was well-known as an old Volunteer and had a record of 22 years nearly the whole of which period he was ambulance sergeant. For 4½ years of the war he attached himself to Hazelwood as Assistant Commandant of the British Red cross where his services and experience were highly valued and appreciated, Sir Hedworth WILLIAMSON being the Commandant. He had resided in St. Johns Road for 50 years and he will be greatly missed in many capacities.

The funeral takes place at Holy Trinity Church to-day (Thursday), at 2.30 p.m.

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