MARRIAGE: 1892 Bible Christian Chapel, Sibden-road, Shanklin

Alfred Arthur PHILLIPS & Lucy Annie GATRELL

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Children of Alfred & Lucy PHILLIPS

1892 Ethel May – mar Clifford Thomas GERRISH Christ Church, George-street, Ryde 1894 William Arthur – died 1894 aged 5 months

1901 CENSUS: RG13/1025. Folio 83. Page 17. Address: Fairbank? Benett-street, Ryde, IW.

Alfred A. PHILLIPS. Head. M. 31. Railway Signalman. Sandown, IW.

Lucy A. PHILLIPS. Wife. M. 30. Shanklin, IW.

Ethel M. PHILLIPS. Dau. 8. Ryde, IW.

Daniel GATTRALL. Father-in-law. M. 72. Bricklayer. Ryde, IW.

Eliza GATTRALL. Mother-in-law. M. 69. Brading, IW.

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In 1911 **Alfred** (41) was living at 8 Benett-street, Ryde, with his wife Lucy (40), and his daughter Ethel (18). **Alfred** was listed as Railway Signalman for Isle of Wight Railway.

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2<sup>ND</sup> MARRIAGE: at Church of the Good Shepherd, Lake, IW **Alfred Arthur PHILLIPS** & Kathleen Alice HEATH

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1933 REGISTER OF ELECTORS – 8 Benett-street, Ryde **PHILLIPS Alfred Arthur** 

PHILLIPS Ethel Mary

1947 REGISTER OF ELECTORS – 8 Benett-street, Ryde

PHILLIPS Alfred A.

PHILLIPS Kathleen A.

## ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 4th September 1948

Fifty-two Years on the Railway.- We regret to record the death which occurred suddenly at his home on Sunday, of Mr. Alfred Arthur PHILLIPS, of 8 Bennett Street, who served on the Island railway for 52 years. His unfailing courtesy as a passenger guard on the Ryde-Ventnor line won him great popularity. On the completion of his jubilee with the company in 1932 he was awarded the Southern Railway gold medal and two years later was made another presentation by his colleagues at Ryde on his retirement. In 1936 he took over duties as caretaker of the Baptist Church, where he had always worshipped, and for six years worked conscientiously until ill-health forced him to give up. A native of Sandown, Mr. PHILLIPS began his career as a messenger at Sandown Station in the days of the old I.W. Railway Company. During his service he had occupied almost every post on the railway except that of engine driver, and when he was promoted from head goods guard in 1892 to passenger guard he remained in that post for about 20 years. His first wife, by whom he had a daughter, died in 1931. He married again, and sympathy is felt with Mrs. PHILLIPS. He was a member of the East Medina Lodge of Oddfellows.

The funeral service took place on Thursday at the Baptist Church. The Rev. E. J. WILLIS officiated and Miss A. WARNE (organist) accompanied the hymns "The Lord's my shepherd" and

"Beneath the cross of Jesus." The mourners were Mrs. PHILLIPS (widow), Mr. and Mrs. C. T. GERRISH (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. H. PHILLIPS (brother and sister-in-law), Mrs. C. H. YEALLAND (also representing Mr. YEALLAND), and Messrs. G. ORCHARD and G. KAY. Former colleagues of Mr. PHILLIPS present included Mr. and Mrs. A. WHEWAY (station master, Newport), C. PRANGNELL, W. HUMPHRY, H. WOODWARD, and W. WILLIS, and others present included Mr. and Mrs. H. S. CASTLE, Mesdames CASTLE, senior, G. BRABEY, ORCHARD, E. BONNER, and A. ROGERS, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. BALLARD (representing East Medina Lodge of Oddfellows), the Misses ORCHARD and J. E. and M. CONDEN, and Messrs. A. DALLIMORE (secretary, representing the Baptist Church), W. GOSDEN, and R. H. ALEXANDER (also representing Mr. H. G. ALEXANDER and Miss CORBETT, of Bristol). The interment was at Ryde Cemetery, and the floral tributes included those from his railway colleagues; the Baptist Church; and friends and neighbours of Bennett Street.

Messrs. WHEELER Bros. made the arrangements.

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