

In 1901 Gerard Richard TADMAN was living at a residential school in Leatherhead, Surrey. He was listed as a Schoolboy Student, 18, born Talaton, Devonshire.

MARRIAGE: 3rd ¼ 1914 (General Registrars ref: Braintree Reg Dist. Vol 4A. Page 1829)
Gerard R. TADMAN & Eileen B. SADGROVE

1933 REGISTER OF ELECTORS – 1 Lind Place, Ryde, IW.

TADMAN Gerard
TADMAN Eileen

1947 REGISTER OF ELECTORS – St. James's Lodge, Lind Place, Ryde

TADMAN Gerard R.
TADMAN Eileen B. M.

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**FORMER RYDE SCHOOLMASTER
DEATH OF MR. G. R. TADMAN**

The death took place at the Royal I.W. County Hospital on Friday week of Mr. Gerard Richard TADMAN, aged 75, of St. James's Lodge Lind Place, Ryde. Mr. TADMAN was a retired school master, who formerly conducted his own school in the town. A native of Talaton, Devon, he graduated as a Bachelor of Arts at Cambridge University and shortly afterwards took up a teaching post at the Higher Training College, Cairo. During the first world war he served in camel transport with the R.A.S.C. in Egypt and Palestine and was awarded the Military Cross in the latter campaign. Afterwards he continued teaching in Cairo until about 1927. He then came to Ryde and opened a small school at St. Austell, George Street. When that closed he taught at Little Appley and at Ryde School where mathematics was his main subject. During the last war he was employed by Messrs. SUNDERS- ROE. He was a member of the Ryde Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, and in later years an umpire for the club. Between the wars he organised junior tournaments for the Ryde Mead Tennis Club.

The funeral service at All Saints' Church, Ryde, on Thursday was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. R. H. BASSETT). The family mourners were Mrs. TADMAN (widow), Mr. R. T. TADMAN (son), Miss B. TADMAN and Mrs. S. CANTOPHER (daughters), Mrs. A. CHAPMAN (sister-in-law), Mr. H. Lee PENELL, and Mr. K. SADGROVE (brother-in-law). Cremation took place at Southampton.

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THE LATE MR. G. R. TADMAN

The following tribute to the late Mr. G. R. TADMAN, of Lind Place, Ryde, is contributed by a friend ("R.M."): "Tadders, as he was to his intimate friends, was one of the most modest men I have ever known. When very occasionally, reminiscing on his activities in the first war, he might, under pressure, admit grudgingly that he had the M.C. thrust upon him for doing nothing, but he would forget all about his mentions in dispatches and the fact that the day after he was married on August 6th, 1914, he had endeavoured to join the R.F.C. only to be turned down on medical grounds. Undeterred by this rebuff he joined the Red Cross and took part in the Dardanelles campaign; and it was after the evacuation that he succeeded in joining the Army, in which he served five years, coming out in 1920 with the rank of Major. While at SAUNDERS-ROE in the last war his wife was engaged in W.V.S. and A.R.P. work, his eldest daughter, Benita, who was Sister Tutor at Guys, joined the Army in which she is now a Major in Q.A.R.A.N.C., and his second daughter, Stella (now married to Dick CANTOPHER, the younger son of

Mr. G. H. A. CANTOPHER, C.A.) joined the Royal Marines as a W.R.E.N., while his only son, Tom, joined the Royal Navy in 1942. A fine family record following a fine example. Shortly after the turn of the century "Tadders" went up to Selwyn College, Cambridge, from St. John's Leatherhead, where in addition to taking honours in mathematics he won his oars and became president of the college rowing club in the palmy days when Selwyn were reckoned a power on the river. During his 30 years in the Island, amongst his other avocations, he devoted himself to the coaching of backward pupils and there are many now long grown up who look back with gratitude to the patience and skill which he applied so unstintingly to getting them over their hurdles. By keeping himself so up to date in all educational matters and by intensive and catholic reading, he was able to give full value to the community he served right to the end of his useful life. Amongst many other attainments he was a very good bridge player, and in his younger days, a first rate shot. All that he did, he did to his utmost and better than most. Above all, the son of a clergyman married to a clergyman's daughter, his family was brought up with the highest ideals and his kindly influence was felt in full measure by all his close friends."

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