1901 CENSUS: RG13/746. folio 26. page 19. Address: Tents Close By Shed, Seal, Kent.

Joseph WILLETT. Head. M. 54. Ordinary Farm Labourer. Brighton, Sussex.

Joseph WILLETT. Son. M. 24. Ordinary Farm Labourer. Hastings, Sussex.

Horace WILLETT. Son. S. 22. Ordinary Farm Labourer. Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Richard WILLETT. Son. S. 18. Ordinary Farm Labourer. Ash, Surrey.

James WILLETT. Son. 15. Ordinary Farm Labourer. Bexley, Sussex.

Louisa WILLETT. Dau. 12. Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Henry WILLETT. Son. 10. Stoke, Hants.

Noah WILLETT. Son. 8. Seal, Kent.

Emma WILLETT. Dau-in-law. M. 20. Poplar, London.

Joseph WILLETT. Grandson. 5 months. Golden Green, Kent.

In 1911 **Joseph** was living at 11 St. John's Place, Ryde, with two of his sons, and 4 members of the Bowers family (lodgers) including his married daughter. Joseph's occupation was listed as Labourer.

1915 KELLY's DIRECTORY of Hampshire & Isle of Wight - page 722 **WILLETT** Richard, florist, 86 High-street, Ryde, IW.

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FUNERAL OF MR. JOSEPH WILLETT

A vulnerable and familiar figure passed away in the recent death of Mr. **Joseph WILLETT**, at the age of 78. he was a native of Brighton, but had been 25 years in Ryde and engaged with his son, Mr. Richard WILLETT, as florist in High-street. He leaves six sons and a daughter. The deceased had lead a very active life and was one of the oldest, if not the oldest hop-picker in the country, being well-known in Hampshire, Kent and Sussex, and a regular visitor to the hop-fields each season. He had only been laid up a fortnight and his death is much mourned.

The funeral took place on Friday at the Cemetery preceded by a service at All Saints, at which the Vicar (Rev. H. LE FLEMING) officiated. The family and friends were well represented, and the following is a list of the floral tokens:

From his son Richard; Mr. and Mrs. Horace and Minnie WILLETT; Mr. and Mrs. James WILLETT; Mr. and Mrs. Henry WILLETT; Mr. and Mrs. Noah WILLETT; Mr. and Mrs. Louisa BOWERS (daughter and son-in-law); Mary and Sid (son and daughter-in-law); Frank WILLETT (grandson); Mr. and Mrs. EGGLETON; Mrs. FRANKLIN; Mr. and Mrs. GRANGER; Mr. and Miss JOHNSON; Roy, Gordon, and Jack EGGLETON; Miss and Mrs. SANDERS; Miss HEWARD; Mr. and Mrs. BARTON; Prince Street Band of Hope; Louisa, Richard, and James WILLETT (grandchildren); Mr. and Miss E.A, GREEN; Mary, Vera, and Kathleen EGGLETON; Gordon EGGLETON.

Messrs. PERKIS & Son carried out the funeral arrangements.

Researched by Ann Barrett