

Death of Mr. J. E. GLADDIS. – Mr. Joseph Edgar GLADDIS died on Sunday at Somerhill, Mayfield Road, the home of his son-in-law and daughter (Mr. and Mrs. P. J. MILSOM). He was 68 and had been ill for about two months. Until then he had been perhaps the most regular supporter of Ryde Sports Club for 40 years, and is believed that during that time he only missed one match. He gave the club valued help in looking after the boots and gear. At Partlands he was a popular figure and he was also well known and always a welcome visitor on all the county league grounds in Hampshire. He was an agent of Pearl Assurance Co., retiring about four years ago.

The Rev. P.L. VAUGHAN officiated at the funeral at All Saints' Church on Tuesday. Mr. W. L REED (organist) accompanied the hymns "Abide with me" and "Jesu Lover of my soul." The mourners were Mr. P. J. MILSOM (son-in-law), Mrs. R. WILLIAMS (niece), Mr. R. WILLIAMS, Mr. W. R. GOUGH, and Mr. and Mrs. W. DRAPER, Representatives of the Ryde Sports Club attending, Mr. T. S. MELLANBY (hon. general secretary), Ald. W.S. RUSSELL, Mr. S. ALLCHURCH (past and present players), Mr. S. WRIGHT (groundsman), and Mr. J. H. PERKIS (hon. Secretary) and Mr. and Mrs. P. BAKER represented the Supporters' Club. Among others present were Mr. N. S SQUIBB and Miss E. PERCY (I. W. Theatres, Ltd.), Messrs. A.S. JOLLIFFE, H.F. ELSWORTH, and F.A. BRICKELL (Pearl Assurance Company), Mr. H. ROGERS, T.C. and Mrs. ROGERS, and Mr. C. A. KING. The interment was at Ryde Cemetery. The floral tributes included those from the committee of Ryde Sports Club; past and present players of the "Reds"; the Sports Supporter's Club; and the Pearl Assurance Company.
