

Beatrice Linda Vanner (nee Louis) born 14.08.1890 at Southsea. Died 01.10.1969 at St Mary's Newport.

She married George Henry Vanner on 25.2.1915 at St Paul's church Worthing as my grandfather at that time was working on Worthing pier.

Beatrice was a Catholic and all her children were baptised in the faith.

During the First World War she was the licensee of the Bedford Hotel but once George return from the Great War her licence was revoke as the men needed the work and as George had no experience in this trade he could not take on the licensee. Beatrice took in washing to help with the money and in later years her mother came to live with them.

Once they moved to 28 West Street and when the time was right she started to take people in for B&B for the summer holidays to supplement their income.

Beatrice and George had ten grandchildren. Their children all stayed on the island except for my father who had to move because of his work to the mainland in 1948.

Memories kindly contributed my Yvonne Spreadborough