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## MR. HAROLD JACK GAWN DEATH OF FORMER RYDE SPORTS PLAYER

A member of the Ryde Sports F C team when it was one of the strongest in Hampshire, died at his home yesterday, aged 73. He was Mr. Harold Jack GAWN, of 2 Bellevue Road, Ryde, known to many Ryde supporters as "Double" GAWN.

One of the best full-backs in the history of the club, he was a member of the side which won both the County League and the Hants Senior Cup in the same season. Mr GAWN also played for the I.W. team and represented Hampshire more than once.

During the First World War he was in the Royal Artillery, and until his retirement nine years ago was employed on the G.P.O outside staff for more than 35 years. He leaves a widow.

The funeral service is at All Saints' Parish Church on Monday, to be conducted by the Vicar, the Rev Ronald GRANGER. Interment will follow at Ryde Cemetery.

Messrs. H. V. Taylor and Son, of Ryde are making the arrangements.

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