

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 19th September 1970

Women's British Legion President. - Mrs. **Mary Elizabeth TURNER**, aged 76, of 5, Anglesea Street, died at the Royal I.W. County Hospital on Monday. A native of Yorkshire, she moved here with her husband, Mr. H. R. TURNER, in 1925 when they opened a leather merchant's business in High Street. After her husband's death in 1947 she continued to play an active part in the family business until retiring at the age of 70. The business was continued by their only son, Mr. W. H. TURNER, and, owing to his illness, is now being carried on by his wife. Mrs. TURNER was president and a former chairman of the British Legion women's section branch and a county vice-president, a committee member of the Borough Garden Show and a member of the Afternoon Townswomen's Guild and Parish Church Mothers' Union.

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Legion Tribute. - The British Legion County and Ryde women's section branches, with the Ryde standard, and the local men's branch were represented at the funeral at the Parish Church on Thursday week of Mrs. **Mary Elizabeth TURNER**, the town women's section president, whose death was recorded last week. The Rev. C. P. BRYAN officiated, and Mr. W. L. REED (organist) accompanied the singing of the hymns. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. TURNER (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. N. R. TURNER (grandson, representing Miss A. L. TURNER, grand-daughter), Mr. A. V. TURNER (brother-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. J. WHITE (cousins), Mrs. W. H. STARR, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. HINES and Mrs. A. D. PERKIS. Organisations represented included the Borough Garden Show, Parish Church Mothers' Union branch, Afternoon Townswomen's Guild and East Medina Lodge of Freemasons. The internment was in the family grave at Ryde Cemetery. Floral tributes included a poppy wreath from the British Legion women's section.

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