

Death of Mr. H. Theobald

The death occurred on Saturday of a well-known personality in the Purton district. Mr. Henry Theobald, of 16 Station Road. He was 81 years of age and had been ill for only a short period. Born in Purton, being the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Theobald, Mr. Theobald had resided in the village all his life. For many years he carried on a carrier's business - mainly between Purton and Swindon and Purton and Cirencester - and was brought in contact with a large number of people. In his younger days he was associated with all the local activities of the village, particularly the flower show. In later life Mr. Theobald turned his interest mainly to antiques, and he was a well-known figure at sales. He leaves a widow and a number of sons and daughters. The funeral took place at St. Mary's Church on Wednesday, and was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. N. S. Willis). The chief mourners were: - Mrs. Theobald (widow), Mr. R. Theobald (son), Miss A. Theobald (daughter), Mrs. F. C. Fisher (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. Coombs (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. S. Coombs (sonin-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. Townsend (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. P. Theobald (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. Giles (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. Fred Theobald (nephew), Mr. and Mrs. E Theobald (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs. Richens (sister-in-law) and Mrs. E. Strange. Wreaths were from the following: Mother and Reg.; R. Theobald and family; All at Engelfield; Evelyn, Joyce and Percy; Friends and neighbours at Station Road; Edith, Rene, Jack, Sip and family; Dolly; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Clark; Phil and Gladys, Stanley and Fred; Steve, Ruth and children; Mr. and Mrs. Giles and Will; Floss and Ern. and family; Mr. and Mrs. E. Strange.

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