

Chief Stoker John Evans

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We regret to announce the death, which occurred suddenly on Friday last, the 17th inst, at 78 Cotehele Avenue, Keyham Barton, Plymouth, of Mr John Evans, a native of and formerly a resident in Dawlish. Deceased, who was a Chief Petty Officer, R.N., and who had, after serving his period of twenty-two years, been called up for war service, leaves a widow and one son.

The funeral took place at Devonport Corporation Cemetery on Tuesday, when there were present the widow and son, brothers Will and George; sisters Ellen and Polly; brothers-in-law—Messrs S Back, B Burt, W Burch, H Burch, W Stephens & T Ryan; sisters in-law—Mesdames S Launder, M J Stephens, B Newman, A Ryan and E Manicom; also nephews W Back and L Newman, L James (niece), and many friends.

The coffin was borne to the grave by six C.P.O.'s messmates of deceased. Lodge Friendship (No. 202), in which deceased held the office of Steward, was represented by the W.M., W Bro R A Jinks; W Bro J Batten, I.P.M.; W Bro G Collins, P.P.G.D.; W Bro H G Phillips, P.P.G.D.; W Bro E Tucker, and Bros J T Mumford, C Brenton, J H Brenton, H Hatherley, F Higgins, and Bro H R Nisbet, of the Royal Naval Lodge, 3337. W Bro G Collins read the Masonic oration at the graveside.

Numerous floral tributes were gratefully received from relatives, friends, and shipmates.

