

# District Obituary

## Mr K. Clarke

The funeral took place at St Faith's Church, Gaywood, of Mr Kenneth Clarke, of 11a Kent Road, Gaywood. Service was taken by the Rev Colin Way, with Miss F. M. Willden at the organ. Interment took place at Gayton Road cemetery and donations were made to Coronary Care Fund, Queen Elizabeth Hospital. He leaves a son John. The Rev Way in his address said that Mr Clarke had lived a full life and had used his skills and talent to help other people.

St Faith's choir (Mrs E. Price Jones, Mrs D. Horrex, Mrs J. Stevens, Mrs R. Williamson,

Miss F. Willden, Mr W. J. Woods, Mr V. Price Jones, Mr E. Shipp, Mr I. Mason, Mr J. Coston and Mrs H. W. Jennings), as a tribute to a former chorister sang Sanctus by Schubert (Holy, Holy, Holy), Lord is my shepherd, Be thou my vision and Nunc Dimittis, and as the coffin left the church the organ played I know that My redeemer liveth by Handel.

Mr Clarke was 76 years of age and had lived in Gaywood all his life on leaving school went to work at Ladymans and Savages, before gaining an apprenticeship as a carpenter joiner with Medwells Builders. On completion of this he worked for them at Pauls Mill. Then came the depression and he went to work on King's Lynn docks, and was in the ARP from 1938 to 1940. He joined the RAFVR as a carpenter/boat builder with Air Sea Rescue Service and saw service in Scotland, Shetland Isles, Ireland and Far East. Promoted to Sergeant boat-builder (South East Asia Command) he was in Bombay, Calcutta, and Rangoon in Burma.

After the war he came back to Lynn docks, as carpenter and general foreman for 42 years until his retirement. Among his hobbies was gardening, painting, writing poems and his diary.

His main interest had been music and singing, he sang his first solo in Gaywood church at age of eighteen, and was a choir member of St Faith's, St Margaret's, Lynn Music Society, Wisbech Male Voice Choir and Shirley Singers. A powerful bass baritone singer he sang at many events in West Norfolk area. During the war he was a member of RAF Concert Party on board a transport going to India and at numerous RAF stations.

Family mourners included: Mr and Mrs J. K. Clarke, Mr and Mrs S. Harrington, Mr J. Grange (also rep Mr and Mrs M. Haynes), Mr E. Seaman (Mrs D. Seaman), Mr and Mrs J. Bentley, Mr and Mrs D. Elcock, Mr and Mrs R. Bunkall (Mr and Mrs K. Moore, June and Mark), Mrs A. Rout, Mr P. Harcourt, Mrs P. Clarke, Mrs D. Fayers (Mr R. E. Fayers), Mrs B. A. Burney and Paul (Mr D. Burney), Mr and Mrs P. Gotts, Mrs R. Gotts (Mr C. L. Gotts), Mr and Mrs R. Lynch, Miss A. Lynch, Mrs M. Hipkin, Mrs S. Caley (Mr S. Caley, Mr and Mrs R. W. Hipkin).

Sympathisers included Mrs Louie Leman and family, Mr W. Woods (Mrs Woods), Mrs S. A. Hands (Mr S. A. Hands), Mr L. Rush, Mr J. Turner, Mr and Mrs K. Gadsby (Mr I. Gadsby), Mrs E. Clarke, Mr A. Driver (Mrs P. Driver), Mrs I. R. Smalls (Mr P. H. Smalls and Mr M. Fillenham), Mrs D. Hudson (Home Help), Mrs V. M. Martin (Mr W. Martin), Mrs W. E. Martin (Mr P. Martin), Mr and Mrs G. Coldham (Mrs M. Langley), Mr

G. Hudson, Mrs I. Dennis (Mr D. Dennis), Mr sD. Bodimeade, Mrs P. Foster (Mr S. Foster).

Mr R. Hanslip (Miss B. Simpson and J. Hanslip), Mrs G. Law (Mrs E. Law), Mrs M. Whiting, Mrs W. Roye (Mr Bevan Harper), Mrs A. M. Fisher, Miss D. Williams, Mrs J. Greening (Mr D. Greening), Mr and Mrs A. G. Medwell (Mr and Mrs S. Fordham), Mr and Mrs D. A. Medwell, Mr A. Thompson (Mrs C. Thompson), Mr and Mrs W. Backmeir, Miss J. Baek, Mrs M. Haskett (Mr Ted Haskett, Annette and Karen), Mr H. Mayo (Mrs Mayo), Mr C. Light, Mr T. Sheen, Mr A. Chivers, Mr D. J. Ross, Mr A. R. Barrett (Mrs M. Barrett), Mr T. Greenacre, Mr J. Hubbard, Mr and Mrs A. Smith, Mr J. Harvey, Mr J. Turner, Mr and Mrs F. Campbell (Mr R. Campbell, Miss D. Campbell), Mr R. Adams (King's Lynn Dockers), Mr E. J. Wilkins, Mr D. J. Harwood, Mr T. H. Barnard (Mrs M. Barnard, Mr A. J. Barnard, Mr J. Barrett (Mrs J. Barrett, ABP), Mr J. Barrett (Mrs J. Barrett), Mr N. S. Everett (Associated British Ports), Mr K. T. Hughes (Mrs Hughes, J. M. Coston Ltd), Mrs L. T. Linsdell (Mrs M. J. Milligan, Air Commodore M. J. Milligan and Nigel, Dr Jeremy Knight).

Mr R. A. Adams (Mrs L. J. Adams, Simon and Jamie), Mr John Barrett (Mrs Jane Barrett, Bert Fry), Mrs P. Foster (Spencer Foster, Wisbech), Mrs B. A. Burney (Mr D. Burney), Mr J. A. Abbott, Miss D. Williams.

**CLARKE** — On June 26, 1988 at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Ken aged 76 years of 11A Kent Road, Gaywood, King's Lynn. Dear dad of John father-in-law of Janet, grandad of Petula and Kevin (deceased). Funeral service at St Faiths Church, Gaywood, on Thursday, June 30, at 11.30am, followed by interment at Gaywood Road Cemetery. Flowers or donations if desired for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Coronary Care Fund may be sent to A. J. Coggles, Funeral Directors 63-64 Norfolk Street, King's Lynn.

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