

FUNERAL OF MR. WILLIAM JENKINS

One of the largest attended funerals of recent years in this district took place on Sunday afternoon, when Mr. William Jenkins, the occupier of the "Lonely Farm," Fetterhill, was buried. The mortal remains were laid to rest at Clearwell Cemetery. Deceased passed away at a house known as the "Lonely Farm," which, through the tragic happenings associated with it a few years ago, was known throughout the length and breadth of the country, the "Lonely Farm" being in reality an isolated cottage at the top of Fetterhill.

Mr. Jenkins was called up for active service in March, 1917, and was discharged in March, 1919. He worked as a coal miner at the Flour Mill Colliery until 1926, but since then, through chronic ailments, he had been unable to follow any occupation. He died at the age of 35 years, and leaves a widow and two young sons.

Long before the hour appointed for a start from the house on Sunday files of men from every direction made their way toward it, until close upon 400 formed themselves into a queue behind the coffin, which was draped with the Union Jack. Mr. Jenkins was a member of the Cole ord branch of the British Legion, which, with other branches in West Dean, were well represented. There was also a goodly number of members of the R.A.O.B. of which order deceased was also a member. The duties of the bearers and side-bearers were evenly divided between the members of these two organisations, these being Messrs. Charles Fox, Ernest Lane, J. Freeman and Will Cuff, and Messrs. Will Houre, W. E. Baker, H. Wilco, Frank Roberts, T. Hinton and W. Evans respectively.