

# Biographical Record

## **RICHARD CHARLES WARBURTON (1934 – 2001)**

Represented the St. David's Diocesan Guild on the Central Council from 1961 - 1966, from 1969 - 1971 and from 1996 - 2000, and attended 8 meetings.

He was born on March 27<sup>th</sup> 1934 in Warwick.

He learned to ring in 1953 at Keele in Staffordshire, being taught by Miss Marie-June Henshaw.

Subsequently he was a member of the bands at Grimsby (1956-1959) and St David's Cathedral, Pembrokeshire (1959-2001)

He rang his first peal, Kent Treble Bob Major, on November 18<sup>th</sup> 1958 at Barrow on Humber.

He was not a prolific peal ringer: he rang 26 peals.

He was the Ringing Master of the St. David's Diocesan Guild 1961-1963 and Secretary 1963-1968.

He was instrumental in raising the money for the augmentation of St. David's Cathedral from eight to ten bells in 2001. Sadly, he died in the ringing chamber at St. David's Cathedral after raising the ninth preparatory to ringing on the Cathedral's newly augmented ring of ten for the first time.

He was a schoolmaster by profession, being Head of Biology at Fishguard School before he retired.

He died on April 9<sup>th</sup> 2001; his funeral was held at St. David's Cathedral.

