CORNELIUS STEPHEN COLLINS DSM

Chief Petty Officer D/J 30396

H.M.S. Bramble Royal Navy

died on Thursday 31st December 1942 aged 45

CORNELIUS STEPHEN COLLINS is commemorated on the PLYMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL

Additional information in the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register

Son of Daniel and Ellen Collins; husband of Winifred Enid Collins, of Ledbury, Herefordshire.

After the First World War, an appropriate way had to be found of commemorating those members of the Royal Navy who had no known grave, the majority of deaths having occurred at sea where no permanent memorial could be provided. An Admiralty committee recommended that the three manning ports in Great Britain - Chatham, Plymouth and Portsmouth - should each have an identical memorial of unmistakable naval form, an obelisk, which would serve as a leading mark for shipping. After the Second World War it was decided that the naval memorials should be extended to provide space for commemorating the naval dead without graves of that war. Plymouth Naval Memorial commemorates 7,251 sailors of the First World War and 15,933 of the Second World War.

Cornelius Collins is commemorated on Column 2. Panel 63.

