

# FREDERICK WILLIAM CHARLES SANDFORD

**Marine  
PO/22370**

**H.M.S. Royal Oak  
Royal Marines**

**died on  
Saturday 14th October 1939  
aged 31**

FREDERICK WILLIAM CHARLES SANDFORD  
is commemorated on the  
PORTSMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL

***Additional information in the  
Commonwealth War Graves Commission Register***

Son of Charles and Harriett Sandford;

husband of Hilda Mary Charlotte Sandford, of Milton, Southsea, Hampshire.

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. Portsmouth Naval Memorial commemorates around 10,000 sailors of the First World War and almost 15,000 of the Second World War.

Frederick Sandford is commemorated on Column 2. Panel 36.

