

CYRIL JOHN SKINNER

**Able Seaman
C/JX 235827**

**M.V. Nottingham
Royal Navy**

**died on
Friday 7th November 1941
aged 21**

CYRIL JOHN SKINNER
is commemorated on the
CHATHAM NAVAL MEMORIAL

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

Son of Richard Alfred and Emily Jane Skinner, 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. Chatham Naval Memorial commemorates 8,517 sailors of the First World War and 10,098 of the Second World War. Cyril Skinner is commemorated on Panel 43.3.

