

Wirrlees Operator Arthur Ernest SPARROW

J/14779 HMS Racoon Royal Navy
Drowned 9 January 1918 aged 21
Commemorated Portsmouth Naval Memorial, England Panel 29

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Personal History

Arthur Ernest SPARROW was born on 28 January 1896 the son of Thomas and Emma SPARROW. His mother died in 1923.

In the 1911 census the family were living at Gardeners Cott. He was aged s with the occupation of Herringstone, Dorchester. Age 15, Telegrapph Messenger.

Before enlisting he was employed by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company as a Telegraph and Goods Clerk

Service History

He enlisted in the Royal Navy.

He is recorded as Drowned on 9 January 1918 in HMS Racoon Shipwrecked aged 21

He was awarded the Victory Medal, British War Medal & 1914-15 Star



