

ARTHUR JONES

Able Seaman

Bristol Z/557

Hood Battalion, Royal Naval Division

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve

died on

Tuesday 11th May 1915

aged 18

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is commemorated on the
Portsmouth Naval Memorial

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. Portsmouth Naval Memorial commemorates around 10,000 sailors of the First World War and almost 15,000 of the Second World War. The Memorial is situated on Southsea Common overlooking the promenade. The Memorial commemorates 26,000 war casualties. The globe which tops the column is supported by the figures of the four winds above the prow of ships.

Arthur Jones is commemorated on Panel 8.





HMT *Franconia*

Arthur Jones was born in June 1896. He lived with his father James at Water Lane Cottages, Much Marcle. He enlisted in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve on 6th January 1915 and was posted to the Hood Battalion, Royal Naval Division on 19th February 1915. He was wounded by a gunshot wound in the back whilst on board HMT *Franconia* on 6th May and was buried at sea on 11th May 1915.