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## Crundale Civic War Memorial



**Stoker 1<sup>st</sup> Class SS/113536 Ernest Stephen SHARP. HMS Royal Oak, Royal Navy (RN).** Date of death unknown (at this time). Born 8<sup>th</sup> April 1893 Elham, Kent.

Ernest's name is not recorded as a casualty of war by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. His name does however appear on the Crundale parish war memorial...

Before the outbreak of war Ernest was a farm labourer. He joined the Royal Navy on 24<sup>th</sup> February 1913. Serving on the following ships –

- a. Pembroke II – Feb 1913 to Aug 1913
- b. King Edward VII – 1913 - 1915
- c. Pembroke II – 1916
- d. Victory II – 1916
- e. Royal Oak – 1916 to 1919

Ernest was invalided 29<sup>th</sup> April 1919.

The Ashford Absentee Voters List for 1918 gives –

Sole Street, Crundale

**Stoker SS/113536 Ernest Stephen SHARP. HMS Royal Oak, Royal Navy.  
Private George Abraham SHARP. 2<sup>nd</sup> Buffs (East Kent Regiment).**

Ernest was invalided from the Royal Navy because of disease and died of the SAME disease very soon afterwards. He died as a direct result of his war service.