

Albert Snow World War I Royal Naval Reserve Service No. 1181X

**Born:** August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1893

Place of Birth: Coley's Point

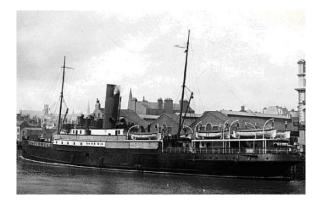
Parents: William and Rachel Snow

Albert enlisted in the Royal Naval Reserve on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January 1917. From the enlistment document, Albert is described as being 5' 4 ½" tall, having light hair and blue eyes. He is 20 years old, single, gives his occupation as fisherman and signs up for 5 years.

Albert's service record covers 6 years (almost), spanning from 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1914 to 18<sup>th</sup> December 1919.

His record shows postings on/at:

- 1. HMS Calypso: Training Vessel
- 2. HMS Pembroke
- 3. HMS Hazel



**HMS Hazel** 

Official Number: 124188

Builder: Greenock & Grangemouth Dockyard Co, Cartsdyke Mid

Yard, Greenock

Pennant No: M00 / M1.10
Launched: 13 April 1907Into
Service: 14 November 1914Out
of service: 11 May 1919

- 4. HMS Europa: HMS Europa, usually known as **Sparrow's Nest, became the Central Depot of the Royal Naval Patrol Service**, located at Lowestoft, the most easterly point of Great Britain, and then the closest British military establishment to the enemy until decommissioned in 1946.
- 5. HMS Niobe
- 6. HMS Pembroke
- 7. HMS Briton.

Once discharged in December 1919, Albert returned to civilian life. 1921 finds him living at home in Coley's Point with his mom, who is now a widow. Albert is married to Mary, and they have a 4-month-old son (Gordon).

The 1935 census shows Albert and Mary, both 44 with a family of four.

By 1945 the Snow's now have just three children at home with them.

Albert died at his Coley's Point home on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July 1951 at the age of 57 and is buried in St. John the Evangelist Churchyard Cemetery at Coley's Point.

