



## Sutherland Snow

In memory of:

### **Able Seaman Sutherland Snow**

September 28, 1940

#### **Military Service**

**Force:** Merchant Navy

**Unit:** Canadian Merchant Navy

**Division:** S.S. Darcoila (Glasgow, Scotland)

#### **Additional Information**

Born 1918

Died 26 September 1940

Son of Philip and May Snow of Bay Roberts, Newfoundland.

Commemorated on [Page 231](#) of the *Merchant Navy Book of Remembrance*. [Request a copy](#) of this page. [Download](#) high resolution copy of this page.

#### **Burial Information**

##### **Cemetery:**

HALIFAX MEMORIAL  
Nova Scotia, Canada

##### **Grave Reference:**

Panel 17.

##### **Location:**

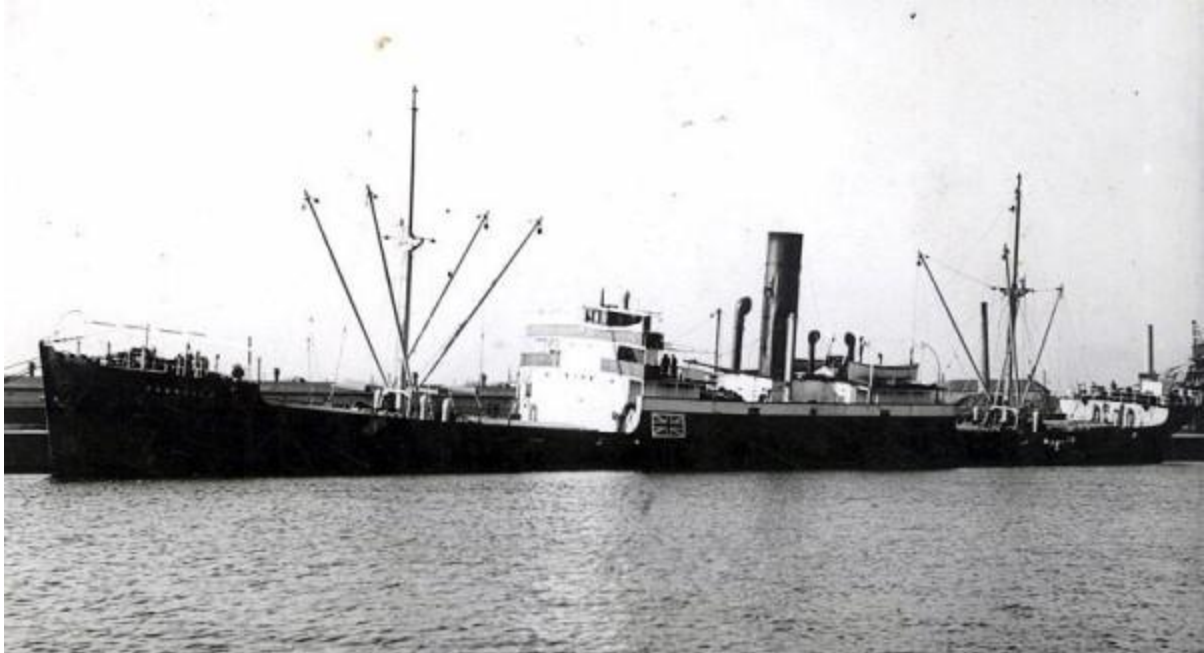
The HALIFAX MEMORIAL in Nova Scotia's capital, erected in Point Pleasant Park, is one of the few tangible reminders of the men who died at sea. Twenty-four ships were lost by the Royal Canadian Navy in the Second World War and nearly 2,000 members of the RCN lost their lives. This Memorial was erected by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

and was unveiled in November 1967 with naval ceremony by H.P. MacKeen, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, in the presence of R. Teillet, then Minister of Veterans Affairs. The monument is a great granite Cross of Sacrifice over 12 metres high, clearly visible to all ships approaching Halifax. The cross is mounted on a large podium bearing 23 bronze panels upon which are inscribed the names of over 3,000 Canadian men and women who were buried at sea. The dedicatory inscription, in French and English, reads as follows:

1914-1918  
1939-1945  
IN THE HONOUR OF  
THE MEN AND WOMEN  
OF THE NAVY  
ARMY AND MERCHANT NAVY  
OF CANADA  
WHOSE NAMES  
ARE INSCRIBED HERE  
THEIR GRAVES ARE  
UNKNOWN  
BUT THEIR MEMORY  
SHALL ENDURE.


On June 19, 2003, the Government of Canada designated September 3rd of each year as a day to acknowledge the contribution of Merchant Navy Veterans.

Born in Bay Roberts on 1918, to parents Philip and May Snow. Sutherland was one of three of the Snow children who would eventually see service during WW2. The others were brothers Warren and Edward.



## Darcoila British Steam merchant

*Photo courtesy of Craig H. Adamson*

<b>Name</b>	Darcoila		
<b>Type:</b>	Steam merchant		
<b>Tonnage</b>	4,084 tons		
<b>Completed</b>	1928 - Lithgows Ltd, Port Glasgow		
<b>Owner</b>	Douglas & Ramsay, Glasgow		
<b>Homeport</b>	Glasgow		
<b>Date of attack</b>	26 Sep 1940	<b>Nationality:</b>	 British
<b>Fate</b>	Sunk by <a href="#">U-32</a> ( <a href="#">Hans Jenisch</a> )		
<b>Position</b>	53° 27'N, 24° 55'W - Grid AL 7217		
<b>Complement</b>	37 (37 dead - no survivors)		
<b>Convoy</b>	<a href="#">OB-217</a> (dispersed)		
<b>Route</b>	Barry (18 Sep) - Milford Haven (20 Sep) - Philadelphia		

**Cargo**            Ballast

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**History**           Completed in April 1928

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**Notes  
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event**            At 13.37 hours on 26 September 1940 the unescorted **Darcoila** (Master William Anderson), dispersed the day before from convoy [OB-217](#), was hit on port side amidships by one G7e torpedo fired from the stern torpedo tube of [U-32](#) ( Captained by Hans Jenisch, a decorated German U-Boat Commander) about 600 miles west of Ireland. The ship sank within 5 minutes by the stern after a boiler explosion. The master, 35 crew members and one gunner were lost.

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