<u>R H Hoddinott</u>

CWGC - ABLE SEAMAN ROBERT HARDY HODDINOTT

Service Number: D/JX 142892

Royal Navy

H.M.S. Glorious

Died 08 June 1940

Age 20 years old

Buried or commemorated at

PLYMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL Panel 37, Column 3.

United Kingdom

Additional Info Son of Reginald James Hoddinott and Medora Beatrix Hoddinott, of Keynsham, Somerset.

Notes - After the start of the <u>Second World War</u> in 1939, *Glorious* spent the rest of the year unsuccessfully hunting for the <u>commerce-raiding German cruiser Admiral</u> <u>Graf Spee</u> in the <u>Indian Ocean</u> before returning to the Mediterranean. She was recalled home in April 1940 to support <u>operations in Norway</u>. While evacuating British aircraft from Norway in June, the ship was sunk by the German <u>battleships</u> <u>Scharnhorst</u> and <u>Gneisenau</u> in the North Sea with the loss of over 1,200 lives. Former Keynsham Scout

