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## 19. The Story of Clement (John) Young

He is listed on the Plaque as John C Young

**Clement (John) Young** of the Merchant Navy. Died  
8/5/1941 age 34.

Clement was born and raised on the Isle of Wight.

- He was Master of the tug Irishmant which was towing Percy, a dumb barge laden with a crane-barge grab dredger, in Langstone Harbour.



*Photo from a Find-my-Past Tree*



- Tug and barge suddenly struck a parachute mine, thought to have been laid the previous night.' Both vessels disappeared in a huge waterspout'
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- He and his 4 crew were lost, as were the 3 on the barge.



. The wrecks, or what is left of them, are now marked by a sighting post in the harbour at Sword Sands

- He is commemorated on the Merchant Navy Memorial at Tower Hill in London

| Record of Death of Merchant Seaman                                        |                                                                              |
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| Surname: <b>YOUNG,</b>                                                    | Ship: <b>S/S "Irishman"</b>                                                  |
| Other Names: <b>Clement John.</b>                                         | Official No: <b>105093.</b>                                                  |
| Address: <b>40 Highlands Rd.</b><br><b>1/k. n. St. E. Fareham. Hants.</b> | Port of Registry: <b>Cones. I. of W.</b>                                     |
| Birthplace: <b>Fishborne I. W.</b>                                        | Country: <b>England.</b> Rank or Rating: <b>Master</b> ✓                     |
| Date of Death: <b>8.5.41</b>                                              | Place of Death: <b>In Landsea Harbour Portsmouth</b> Age at Death: <b>34</b> |
| Cause of Death: <b>Vessel blown up by enemy action. supposed killed.</b>  |                                                                              |

## Catisfield connection:

He married Doris Minnie Roberts (born 27/07/1907), 4Q 1930 at Portsmouth.

Their home was 40 Highlands Road. They had two daughters.



1941. — From his broken-hearted Mother, Father, brothers and sisters. **YOUNG—Clement John** — In loving memory of my dear husband, killed through enemy action, May, 1941.— From his loving wife Minnie, and girls Mary and Joyce.—Good-night, sweetheart. **7B**

**IN MEMORIAM**

