LINK TO COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES COMMISSION (C.W.G.C.)

<https://www.cwgc.org/find-records/find-war-dead/casualty-details/365255/c-l-boniface/>

The baptism of Charles Louis Boniface took place at St. Mary’s Felpham, on 12th July 1891. His parents were George, a Seaman, R.N. and Elizabeth.

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**1901 census**

In 1901 the Boniface family were living at Greens Cottages, Felpham. Geoge, 45, was a Bricklayers Labourer, his wife Elizabeth was 43. They had five children, William, 12, Charles, 9, Elizabeth. 7, Frederick, 5, and Clara, 3. All of the children were born in Felpham.

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Charles Louis‘s details have not been found on the 1911 census. His Service Record shows that he was on H.M.S. “Liverpool” on that date, 2nd April, and that it was 4 days before his promotion to Stoker, 1st Class.

H.M.S. “Liverpool” was a 4,800 ton Town-class light cruiser

Charles Louis Boniface joined the Royal Navy on 12th January 1910, his engagement was for 12 years. Over the next 4 years he served on H.M. ships “Renown”, “Hermione”, and “Liverpool”. H.M.S. “Niger” was the training ship and tender for H.M.S. Vernon

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U.K. Navy Lists 1888 – 1970, Officers and Men Killed in Action.

H.M.S. “Niger” sunk 11th November 1914

\* Boniface, Charles Louis, Stoker 1st Class K.5397

(2nd entry under H.M.S. “Niger” \* noted as Died of Wounds

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Graves Registration Report Form, Deal Cemetery, Kent

R.N., K5397/PO Boniface C. Sto. 11/11/14 (Plot) 4 (Grave (1684)

(Type of Memorial) MW (Type of Grave) C Unverified

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**Imperial War Graves Commission**

Headstone Inscriptions

NAVY 1212/1B C.L. BONIFACE STOKER 1st CLASS R.N. H.M.S. “NIGER”

11th NOVEMBER 1914 AGE 23 CROSS (PLOT) 4 (ROW) 1604 (GRAVE) 102

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**Imperial War Graves Commission**

Headstone Personal Inscriptions

UNTIL THE DAY DAWNS

(Mr. G. Boniface, 1, Manor Cottages, Felpham, Bognor, Sussex)

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**Index to Deal Cemetery Kent**

BONIFACE, Sto. 1st Cl. C.L., K/5397 (PO). R.N. H.M.S, “Niger” 11th Nov., 1914.

Age 23. Son of George and Elizabeth Boniface, of 1, Manor Cottages, Felpham, Bognor. 4 1684

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H.M.S. “Niger”

Royal British Legion

[Every One Remembered - Soldier Profile C l Boniface](https://www.everyoneremembered.org/profiles/soldier/365255/)