Royal Navy Able Seaman J48108	John Henry Burrows Flowers Mo	P ir	ource: Returning Ford Photographs and addit Information kindly sup Button (née Munks)	ional	
Born	John Henry Burrows Flowers Born Derby 11/11/1899 as on naval record. Ba 1900.	aptised 11 April	Address Great Northern Road, Derby. Father's occupation Goods Porter		
Genealogy Note	Members of this family are variously known as "Flowers", "Burrows" or "Flowers Burrows" or "Burrows Flowers".				
War Service See WW1 record	John Henry entered naval service as a boy entrant on 16 Nov 1915 at HMS Powerful a training establishment at Devonport.  He had a short period on HMS Moldavia in 1917 (luckily, as she was torpedoed in 1918). He served on a number of ships until 1945. His last ship was HMS Queen Elizabeth.  He was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct medal in 1932/3 and The Naval General Service (Palestine) medal for "PALESTINE 1936–39 – for service during the 'troubles".  During the inter war tears he served on a variety of ships including HMS Hood and Royal Sovereign. When war broke out he was serving on HMS Excellent, a shore based Gunnery School. In 1941 he joined HMS Queen Elizabeth, a dreadnought battleship. She served in the Mediterranean and Home Waters until being transferred to the far East in January 1943.  John Henry was demobbed in October 1945.			The Powerful was a cruiser re classified as a boys' training ship in 1912. It was sold for breaking up in Aug 1929. Victory 1 was the accounting and holding barracks for the Fleet sailing out of Portsmouth.	
1939 Register	32 Council Houses Bingham Annie Flowers (first wife of William) b 15 Apr 1	1907	Unpaid domestic du	ties	Brothers John Henry and Thomas not

	William McCombe, b. 9 Oct 1890	Foreman Carpenter	listed in 1939 as			
	William Potts, b. 11 Nov 1915	Pipe Insulator	already in Navy.			
	One closed record					
Marriage	John Henry – no evidence of a marriage					
Father's Family	7 Moor Lane Bingham					
Census 1911	Frank Burrows (Flowers) b 1878 Aslockton	Farm Labourer				
	(Mary) Elizabeth Burrows (Flowers) b 1876 Aslockton					
	John Henry Burrows b 1899 Derby					
	Florrie Burrows b 1901 Derby					
	William Burrows b 1905 Bingham					
	Thomas Burrows b 1909 Bingham					
Mother's Family	Mary Elizabeth Dawn married Joseph Grocock 18 June 1878 a	it Scarrington cum Aslockton parish ch	nurch. (family tree Ancestry)			
Census 1881	Mary Elizabeth Dawn born Sep qtr 1874 Aslockton.					
	Jospeh Turner Grocock (poss) died unknown date					
	Mary Elizabeth Dawn married Frank Burrows Flowers, 5 Nov 1899 at Derby St John.					
	Her parents 1881 census:					
	Greasley, Derbyshire					
	Jospeh Turner Grocock, Gardener – step father					
	Hannah Grocott (née Dawn).					
	Four Grocock children after marriage.					
Post War	He lived with his sister in Moor Lane. Jack was a quietly spoken man of few words. After the war his sister had to remove his					
	bedroom door and place it with a curtain to replicate being on board ship! He spent his time watching cricket and taking long					
	walks!					
Death register	John Henry Burrows Flowers d May 1984 Bingham					