

<b>J10747 Royal Navy</b>	<b>Frank Marshall Wilson</b>	<b>Newgate Street</b>	<b>Source: Local informant</b>
Born	24 January 1894, Bingham		
War service	<p>Frank enlisted on 24th January 1912 in the Royal Navy for a 12 year engagement. DoB given as 24 January 1894 at Bingham. His occupation was errand boy. He was 5'3½" on enlistment but on completion of service was 5'4½. His chest was 35" (36"), his hair dark brown and eyes hazel.</p> <p>He began his naval career on HMS Ganges, a training ship for boys. He passed his swimming test 13.10.14 and was trained on "mining" the following month. Having served on a variety of ships (see navy record for details) he was transferred to the reserve in 1929. He was paid his war gratuity in 1914 whilst serving on HMS Inflexible. He spent seven days in the cells in March 1923 for an unspecified offence. Despite this his conduct was most usually described as "VG".</p> <p>His longer attachments included periods at Gallipoli, The Mediterranean, North UK waters including the battle of Jutland and the surrender of the German High Seas Fleet at Scapa Flow, the Turkish crises of 1922/3 and he may even have witnessed the argument between two commanders over which dance band to engage for a ship's dance in Malta in 1928!</p> <p>At the end of his 12 year engagement Frank remained in the Royal Navy. He retired in 1934 with a naval pension but was recalled to serve in shore bases (Pembroke and Europa) around Chatham from October 1939 to January 1945.</p>		
1939 Register	<p>The Gables, Nottingham Road, Bingham:  James Walter Wilson, b. 26 Jan 1861, married  Elizabeth Wilson, b. 28 Feb 1861  Frank Marshall Wilson, b. 24 Jan 1894, single  John William Wilson, b. 20 Aug 1899, single  Mary Ellen Wilson (later Rowe), b 4 Aug 1901, single  Edward Philip Day, b. 27 Oct 1881, single</p>	<p>Master Builder  Unpaid domestic duties  Assistant Porter, Poor Law Institution [Royal Naval Pensioner]  Bricklayer journeyman  Unpaid domestic duties  Head Master Elementary School</p>	
Marriage children	<p>Frank married Edith Foster (divorced, formerly Wilkinson) at Nottingham Register Office on 30th January 1943. Both lived at 72 Nottingham Road, New Basford. He was aged 49, she was 37.</p>	<p>Frank was described as "Able Seaman J10747 Royal Navy (Hospital Engineer)".  Edith was a fried fish shop keeper.  His father was a Building Contractor (deceased); hers a railway engine driver.</p>	
Father's Family Census 1911	<p>Frank Living at RN Training school Harwich Boy 2nd class Royal Navy, HMS Ganges II Training ship for boys  Family living at Newgate Street Bingham.</p>		

Post 1945	
Death/probate	Frank died at Hawthonville Hospital, Newark, 23rd August 1963 aged 69. Home address 9 Fisher Lane, Bingham. Effects £416 5s. to widow Edith Wilson