

This is Michael's two granddads both brothers (Ernie, the second picture, was older and Bob, the first, was younger (They were both married to Michael's nan- long but very touching story). They both served in Dunkirk and took part in the evacuation. Bob wouldn't leave until he found Ernie and walked up and down the beach for days even with planes and gunfire above him and boats leaving without him back to England. Eventually they found each other and went back to England. These are their army records (Bob is the first one, Ernie is the second one).

Angela and Michael



Serial No. *8201* Army Form D.108.

Regular Army.

Certificate of Service.

Army No. *14440612*

Surname *BRINES*

Christian Names *Robert*

Enlisted at *Northam*

Enlisted on *24th July 1932*

Corps for which enlisted *1st Northam*

(1) SOLDIER'S NAME AND DESCRIPTION ON ATTESTATION.

Army Number *835606*

Surname (in capitals) *BRINES*

Christian Names (in full) *Ernest Henry*

Date of Birth *6. 11. 1915*

Place of Birth *Byres Quay Sunderland*

In the county of *Durham*

Trade on Enlistment *Labourer*

Nationality of Father at birth *English*

Nationality of Mother at birth *English*

Religious Denomination *E of C.*

Approved Society

Membership No.

Enlisted at *London* On *9. 4. 1934*

For the: Regular Army. Supplementary Army. Territorial Army. Army Reserve.

For *3* years with the Colours and *9* years in the Reserve.

Signature of Soldier

Date *11. 4. 36*

DESCRIPTION ON ENLISTMENT.

Height *5* ft. *9 1/2* ins. Weight *116* lbs.

Maximum Chest *38* ins. Complexion *.....*

Eyes *.....* Hair *.....*

Distinctive Marks and Minor Defects *.....*

CONDITION ON TRANSFER TO RESERVE.

Found fit for *.....*

Defects or History of past illness which should be acquired into if called up for Service *.....*

Date *.....*

Initials of M.O. *.....*