

Chrissie James (RIP)

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Chrissie James went to the General Botha Merchant Marine Academy after leaving school. He then joined Safmarine. A year or so later Chrissie had a bad Asthma attack in London and was hospitalized. It was here that he met his Girlfriend who was a nurse at the hospital. A couple of years later Chrissie's ship was in Hong Kong and from what I understand they had just put to the sea when Chrissie had another attack and died before they could get him to hospital.

Andy Collin

I understood from my brother Brian that Chrissie James joined the merchant navy after leaving school. I also understand that he suffered a fatal asthma attack whilst his ship was docked in Yokohama.

Chrissie's younger brother is Gerald. I recall the family were still living in Eden Road, Bramley at the time of Chrissie's death (down the road from the Crawford's at 78 Eden Road). I also recall that Mrs James was a single parent and Chrissie's passing was a great blow.

Duncan Crawford

Chrissie James died 'in a storm at Sea' shortly after he left school.

Marlene (Venn)