

MARRIAGE: 1940 at the Register Office, Newport (IW Registrars ref: RO93/70)
John Thomas MILFORD & Thelma Viola BARSDELL

BIRTH: 1940
John Anthony MILFORD (Mother's maiden name: BARSDELL)

ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 7th August 1941

Private **John MILFORD**, aged 27, of Harding Road, was killed as a result of an explosion in South Coast Down on Friday. He leaves a widow and baby son. For many years he was a newspaper vendor and well known as 'Tubby MILFORD.' He was a member of Ryde Rovers Football Club and a clever inside forward.

An inquest was held on Monday and afterwards the Coroner stated that it was due to misadventure due to multiple injuries from being blown up by a landmine. He added that there were certain details which could not be given to the public.

MILFORD did not realise he was going into danger and a companion with him had a miraculous escape.

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday August 1944

In Memorium:-

MILFORD.---In loving memory of our dear son, **John**, killed on August, 2, 1941. From Mum, Dad, Brothers and Sisters.

Some may forget you now you are gone.

But we shall remember you no matter how long.

Details kindly submitted by Jenny Stay