

## HORACE FIELDHOUSE

Horace was born in January 1920 and began his working life as a young Barge Boy on the Thames at the age of 14 or 15 in the mid 1930s. When the Second World War broke out he was just 19. He joined the Merchant Navy and served all through the war. At one point, one of his arms was very badly injured, the scars from which he carried with him for the rest of his life.

On December 28<sup>th</sup> 1945 he joined the Kent Constabulary and around 1969 to 1970 he was posted to Birchington. He stayed here until his retirement on the 27<sup>th</sup> December 1975.

He was greatly respected and did his job here in the village in an excellent manner, giving the public a sense of security, while any criminals in our midst kept well away. He died in 1992.

