

H. M. S. VICTORIOUS,
c/o G. P. O. LONDON.

14th August 1941

Dear Mrs Fabian,

May I offer my deep
sympathy with you on the loss of
your boy Eusebius.

Although he had not been
in the ship very long, he and his
fellow Air Gunners quickly made
themselves at home with the rest of the
Ship's Company & I'm sure he was very
happy. But how glad & proud he was
to stay with us!

He went out on an operation

but did not come back alive.

He had done his duty faithfully &
well & no man can do more than
that.

We buried him at sea from the
Quarter Deck in the presence of the
Officers & Crew - among them his own
friends. It was late in the evening and
everything was so peaceful & quiet.

As I laid him to rest, our prayers
& thoughts were with you & others who
were near & dear to him.

He was a brave lad and a
son to be proud of. May he rest in
peace!

I am sending you a Memorial

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Good - perhaps the words may bring
you a little comfort in your sorrow.

I asked our Photographer to take
a photo of Ernst's burial - I thought
you might like to have one.

He met his commanding officer
& Pine of his ship mates will also be
writing to you.

If I can do anything for you
or give you other information please
let me know.

May God bless you in your
great sorrow. Yours sincerely,
P.T.O. → Geo. W. Dixon, Chaplain R.N.