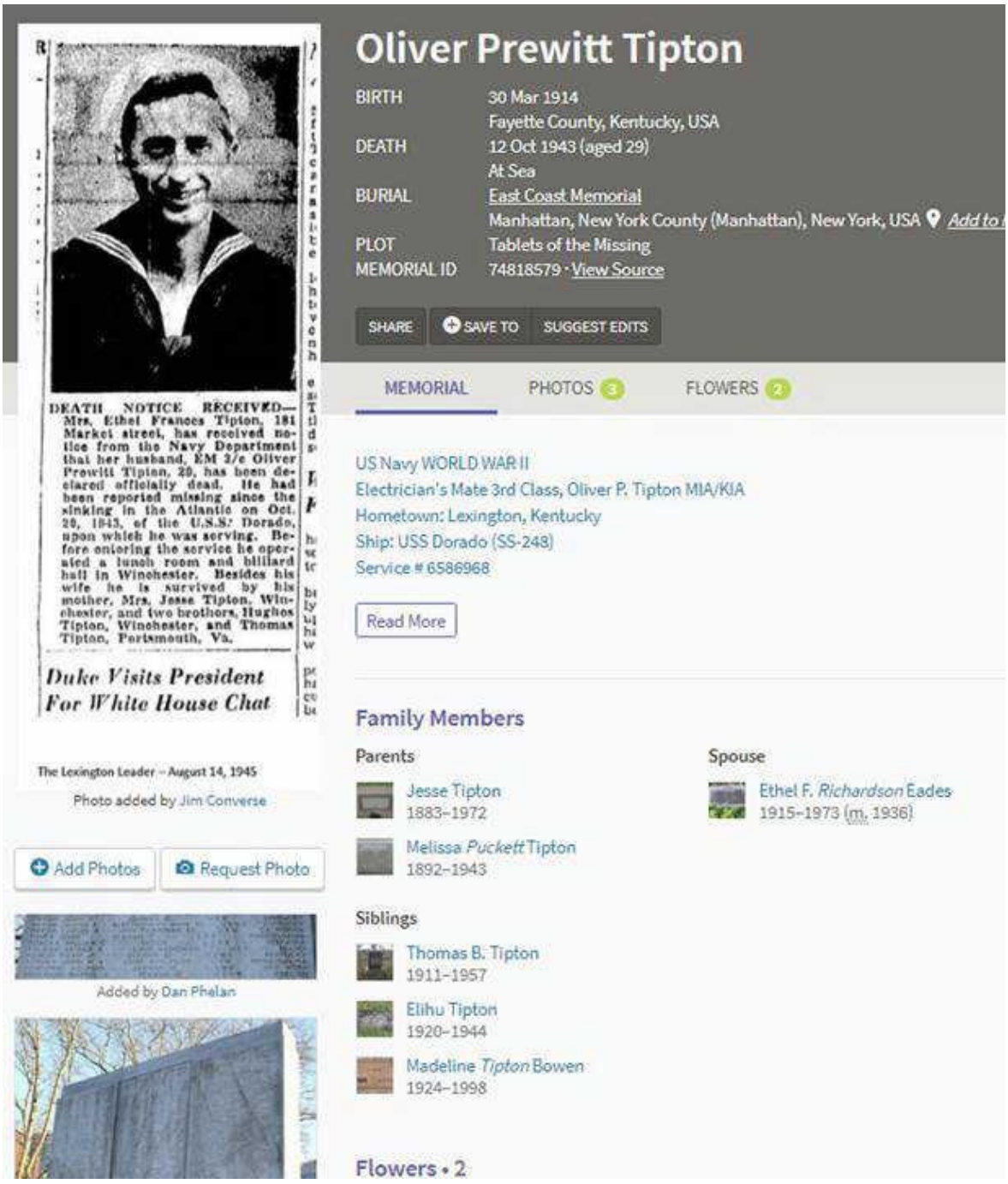
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Oliver Prewitt Tipton

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Fayette County, Kentucky, USA
DEATH 12 Oct 1943 (aged 29)
At Sea
BURIAL East Coast Memorial
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DEATH NOTICE RECEIVED—Mrs. Ethel Frances Tipton, 181 Market street, has received notice from the Navy Department that her husband, EM 3/c Oliver Prewitt Tipton, 29, has been declared officially dead. He had been reported missing since the sinking in the Atlantic on Oct. 20, 1943, of the U.S.S. Dorado, upon which he was serving. Before entering the service he operated a lunch room and billiard hall in Winchester. Besides his wife he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Jesse Tipton, Winchester, and two brothers, Hughes Tipton, Winchester, and Thomas Tipton, Portsmouth, Va.

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Electrician's Mate 3rd Class, Oliver P. Tipton MIA/KIA
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Ship: USS Dorado (SS-248)
Service # 6586968

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1883–1972

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1892–1943

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1915–1973 (m. 1936)

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Hometown: Lexington, Kentucky
Ship: USS Dorado (SS-248)
Service # 6586968
Awards: American Campaign Medal
Captain: Lt. Comander Earle Caffrey Schneider

Mission: Transfer Mission
Mission Date: on or about 14-Oct-42
Location: Caribbean sea Off The coast of Panama
Cause: Unclear Sunk, possibly by German mine or U.S. aircraft
Complement: 6 officers, 54 enlisted
Keel was laid down on 27 August 1942 by the Electric Boat Company of Groton, Connecticut. She was launched on 23 May 1943 (sponsored by Mrs. Ezra G. Allen), and commissioned on 28 August 1943. Dorado's sea trials proved the readiness of the crew, and she sailed from New London, Connecticut, on 6 October 1943 for the Panama Canal Zone. She did not arrive.
The standard practice of imposing bombing restrictions within an area 50 nmi (93 km) ahead, 100 nmi (190 km) astern, and 15 nmi (28 km) on each side of the scheduled position of an unescorted submarine making passage in friendly waters had been carried out and all concerned had been notified. However, the crew of a PBM Mariner of Patrol Squadron 210 out of Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, assigned to provide air coverage on the evening of 12 October had received an incorrect description of the restriction area, and is believed to have mistakenly attacked the USS Dorado with depth charges. The PBM crew insisted that their attacks were made on enemy U Boats. On 8 October, five miles off Colón Panama, U-214 laid a minefield of 15 mines. One of these may have sunk the US Navy submarine Dorado on or about 14 October.

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Name	Oliver Prewitt Tipton
Relative Name	Mrs. Ethel Frances Tipton
Relative Relationship	Wife
State	Kentucky
Country	United States
Type of Casualty	Killed In Action
Roll	ww2c_27

SERIAL NUMBER 54

1. NAME (Print): Oliver R. (First) Prewitt (Middle) Tipton (Last)

ORDER NUMBER 726

2. ADDRESS (Print): 520 N. Main St (Number and street or R. F. D. number) Winchester (Town) Clark (County) Ky (State)

3. TELEPHONE (Exchange) (Number)

4. AGE IN YEARS 26

DATE OF BIRTH Mar (Mo.) 3 (Day) 1914 (Yr.)

5. PLACE OF BIRTH Fayette (Town or county) Ky (State or country)

6. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP U.S.A.

7. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS: Mrs (Mr., Mrs., Miss) Ethel (First) Tipton (Middle) (Last)

8. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON: Wife

9. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON: 520 N. Main st (Number and street or R. F. D. number) Winchester (Town) Clark (County) Ky (State)

10. EMPLOYER'S NAME: None

11. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.

Oliver Tipton (Registrant's signature)

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