

Purchase of the Trafalgar Medal of Lt Reeves

The Royal Marines Museum have acquired the Trafalgar Medal awarded to Lieutenant Lewis Reeves for service on board HMS Victory during the Battle of Trafalgar.

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The Naval General Service Medal with Trafalgar clasp awarded to Lieutenant Reeve

Nation/region

South East

Grant awarded

£39,812

Award date

03/09/2008

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The Naval General Service Medal with Trafalgar clasp was awarded to Lieutenant Reeve in 1849. Lewis Buckle Reeve was born in East Meon, Hampshire, in 1786. Joining the Royal Marines in 1804, he was a Lieutenant of Marines on board HMS Victory, Nelson's flagship at the Battle of Trafalgar on the 21st of October 1805.

Seriously injured in the fierce battle, Lieutenant Reeve was laid next to the mortally wounded Nelson and attended to by Mr Beatty, Nelson's surgeon.