

**ACTIVITY:** Swimming  
**CASE:** GSAF ND.0021  
**DATE:** Unknown  
**LOCATION:** Durban, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

**NAME:** Unknown  
**DESCRIPTION:** He was a young Indian boy.

**NARRATIVE:** “One of the strangest shark tragedies ever known in South Africa occurred when a new concrete wharf was being constructed at Durban years ago. Divers were at work on a foundation which gradually rose to low water mark. Between the foundation and the shore a large shallow pool was formed; and on the day after the concrete wall was completed, a young Indian boy went swimming there. Screams were heard, and the boy was brought to shore with one leg missing. He died a few minutes afterwards. Then it was found that a shark had been trapped and walled in by the foundation.”

**INJURY:** Fatal.

**SPECIES INVOLVED:** Not identified

**SOURCE:** Lawrence G. Green in *South African Beachcomber*. Cape Town, reprinted 1981, Howard Timmins Publishers, page 97

