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ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME WAITSON OFFICIAL NO. U18646
CHRISTIAN NAMES Maurice MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
<u>Napanee, Ontario</u>		<u>C. of E.</u>
DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>5 May 1924</u>	Town <u>Napanee</u> County <u>Lennox</u> Province <u>Ontario.</u>	<u>Mrs. Alma Waitson, (Mother)</u> <u>Napanee, Ontario.</u>
*Original Nationality of:		
Father <u>British</u>		
Mother <u>British</u>		

*If not the son of natural born British parents, particulars to be given at foot of next page

(A) PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet..... <u>5</u>	Inflated..... <u>34 1/2</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Medium</u>	<u>Vacc. L. arm</u>
Inches..... <u>7"</u>	Deflated..... <u>31 1/2</u>				
Mean..... <u>33</u>					

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<u>Grade 7</u>	<u>Tinsmiths Helper,</u> <u>Boyle and Son Hardware Shop.</u> <u>Napanee, Ont.</u>

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
<u>Div. Str. 15 Jan. 1942</u> <u>Act. Serv.</u>	<u>Ord. Smn.</u>	<u>Kingston</u>

(B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

- (1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.
- (2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) That * (a) I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve, or Territorial Force.

* (b) I served in ~~#####~~ for the period shown and attach my records of service in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM

1. Noted in Records	<u>AG</u>
2. Index Card..... TO	<u>AG</u>
3. Non-Sub. Card.....	<u>AG</u>
4. Statistical Card.....	<u>AG</u>
5. Roneo Strip.....	<u>AG</u>
6. Pension Card.....	<u>AG</u>
7.	<u>AG</u>

DATE 23-1-42

(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Mrs. Book at committee in Kingston, Ont.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Kingston Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake to bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1942

Signature of applicant Maurice Waitson

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this 15th day of January, 1942

A. H. Haver Lieut. R.C.N.V.R.
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Maurice WAITSON do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant Maurice Waitson

Witness A. H. Haver

Date 15 January, 1942 Rank Lieut. R.C.N.V.R.

The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service.

(E) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

Maurice WAITSON having been duly enrolled to serve in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be recorded in the Record Book of the Kingston Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

A. H. Haver Lieut. R.C.N.V.R.
Attesting Officer.

15 January 1942 R.C.N.V.R. Division Kingston
(or other establishment)

NOTE.—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Divisional Commanding Officer's Record Book, is to be forwarded to Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody.

The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.

"This is to acknowledge that I have not been induced to enter the Ordinary Seaman Branch of the Naval Service by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to another Branch"

Maurice Waitson
(Signature)

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Walter Hume

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number
<i>Halifax</i>	<i>Kingston</i>	<i>✓ 18646</i>
		"
		"

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Place of Residence	Trade brought up to	Religion	Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date	Signature	Rank	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
<i>5 May, 1924</i>	<i>Napanee, Lennox, Ontario</i>	<i>Napanee Ontario</i>	<i>Terminals Helper</i>	<i>Ch. E.</i>	<i>6th May 1942</i>			<i>Mrs. Alma Hume (Mother) Napanee Ontario</i>
					P.S.T. Date	Signature	Rank	

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
<i>D.S. 15 Jan 42</i>		<i>Hostilities</i>	<i>Ord. Sm.</i>			<i>Awarded Ribbon for 1939-43 Ser.</i>
<i>Ord. 25 Feb 42</i>		<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>21 Nov 1943</i>		

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>7"</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Vacc. L. Arm</i>
On re-enrolment—6 years' Service								
On re-enrolment—12 years' Service								
Further Description if necessary								

TRANSFER BETWEEN DIVISIONS			TRANSFER—LISTS A AND B		
From	To	Date	List	Date	Authority

V18646

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-W-1473

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V18646

NAME WATSON (Surname) Maurice (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 5th May, 1924
 PLACE OF BIRTH Napanee, Ont. OCCUPATION Tinsmiths' helper
 RELIGION C. of E. EDUCATION Grade 7
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. _____ Town Napanee Province, etc. Ont.

ENGAGEMENTS				DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE			
Date (in figures)			Period	Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year									From	To
15	1	42	H.O.	5' 7	Brown	Brown	Medium	Vacc. scar left arm.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Alma Watson
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. _____ Town Napanee Province, etc. Ont.

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY				EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.							
Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
21	11	43	1939-1943 Star. <u>249A (R1073)</u>	6	5	42	Passed P.P.T. (Fair)				
				4	7	42	Marked Tr.				

BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.				BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES							
Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year		
					Athabaskan	7	29	5	43	Absent over leave. <u>(249A 19510)</u>	Reduced to 2nd class for conduct

FILM
NO WAR 5435-1
DATE

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To
29th May, 1943	28th Aug. 1943

H.Q. 35-15M-10-41 (2177)
N.S. 815-7-35

O.H.F. Received.
Ins. Book at Committee at Kingston, Ont.



P.I.B.

V18646

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME WAITSON
(Surname)

Maurice
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V18646

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Re-Qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
Cataragui	Ord. Smn.	15	1	42	Kingston Div. Str.	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Cataragui	" "	25	2	42	Active Service.	Fair	Sat.	31	12	43							
York	" "	4	3	42		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Stadacona	" "	27	4	42													
Cornwallis	" "	1	5	42													
Stadacona	" "	7	7	42	<i>DRD</i>												
Niobe (Athabaskan)	" "	12	12	42	DRD H-168												
"	A/Able Smn.	25	2	43	249A-19246												
DISCHARGED	"	29	4	44	"Missing" Casualty List.												
					"Presumed Dead" per Casualty List. P.#70.												

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross Awarded to
Mother: Mrs. Alma Waitson,
Napanee, Ont. 26-3-45.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		RELI-ED	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB.	GION		P.	CTY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR.	RANK
15	5	24	11	900	0	30	0	1	27	02	0	15	0	08	95
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SMIP. CR.	RANK OR RATE				
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A	BR.	RANK		
15	01	42	25	02	42					0230		10894			
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M				CODED	CHECKED				
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.									
25	02	43	13	00	00	20									

VERIFICATION FORM
 CAMPAIGN STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and C.
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915)

NAME IN FULL WATSON, Maurice RANK/RATING ... A/B OFF.NO. ..

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN				
	FROM	TO	DAYS		FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEF
	25-7-42								
<i>Mobe</i>	12-2-42	3-2-43	34	UK					
<i>Athabasca</i>	4-3-43	29-4-44	751	atl.					
	<u>Disch Dead 29-4-44</u>								

VERIFIED BY *Roger Seguin*

VERIFIED BY

VERIFICATION FORM

GN STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RANK/RATING *A.B.* OFF. NO. *V-18646* ADDRESS

S	AREA	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS						STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
		FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.			
								1939-45	/	<i>star</i>
								ATLANTIC	/	<i>star</i>
	<i>UK</i>							FRANCE G.		
	<i>at.</i>							AFRICA		
								PACIFIC		
								BURMA		
								ITALY		
								DEFENCE		
								C.V.S.M.		<i>27 clasp</i>
								" CLASP		
								WAR 1945	/	<i>medal</i>
								WAR 1915		

Dead 29-4-44

VERIFIED BY *R.L.*

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

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H.M.C.S. NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS at OTTAWA, Ontario

Name WAITSON Maurice (Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Able Seaman Official No. V-18646 Unit R.C.N. R.C.N.R. R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Napanee, Ontario Date of Birth 5th May, 1924

Occupation in Civil Life Tinsmiths Helper Religion Church of England

Number of years service in the Navy (Long Service R.C.N., or mobilized service in case of R.C.N. (Temporary) or Reserve ratings) From 15th January 1942 to 29th April, 1944

Date of Death 29th April, 1944 Place of Death At Sea

Cause of Death Missing, presumed dead, when H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel.

Nearest known relative or friend Name Mrs. Alma Waitson, Relationship Mother Address NAPANEE, Ontario.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship Naval Service Headquarters: 1 May, 1944.

Date on which death was registered with local Officials

In the case of Imperial Service men, whether Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to Nationality

If applicable Place of Burial No Burial Date of Burial Location, Number, etc., of grave Undertaker employed

ENTERED IN D.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK JAN 20 1945 CLERK No. 1

The SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD Department of National Defence, Ottawa, Canada.

H.B. Money (Commanding Officer) for SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Date OTTAWA, 12 January, 1945.

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

Distribution: File, Imp. W. G. Com., Dom. Stat., Register, Sec. C.P.C., Dir. of Records.

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NS V-18646 PERG (11)
NAVAL MESSAGE

To: ~~MRS.~~ ALMA WAITSON,
NAPANEE, ONTARIO

From:

NSHQ

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

C.R. BY.....*W*.....

V-18646
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CNP

THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES
DEEPLY REGRETS TO REPORT THAT YOUR SON MAURICE WAITSON
ABLE SEAMAN, RCNVR V-18646 IS MISSING FROM HMCS "ATHABASKAN".
LETTER FOLLOWS.

DELIVERY CONFIRMED

L/T

P/L

1/5/44

NM

2537

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

C.R. BY.....

TFH/IV

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AIR MAIL

O.N. V-18646 Pers (N)

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1 May, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Waitson:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 1st of May, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Maurice Waitson, Able Seaman, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V-18646, is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

According to the report received from overseas, your son's loss occurred when H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 29th of April, 1944, in the English Channel. Further particulars of this Naval disaster are being published in the newspapers.

While Able Seaman Waitson is reported as "missing", there is a possibility of his survival. It is understood that a number of the crew have been taken prisoners of war by the enemy. The Red Cross have been informed and are attempting to obtain from the German Government a list of those taken. Please be assured that as soon as any further information respecting your son has been received you will be informed.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

LETTER DISPATCHED BY
PERSONNEL NAVAL

MAY 3 1944

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Alma

Mrs. Alma Waitson,
Napanee, Ontario.

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J.A.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

NAVY

D.D.
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

WAITSON	Maurice	V-18646	A.B.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	8416 16.1.50
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCNVR Jan. 46 "ATHABASKAN"
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON,
ENTITLED TO Mr. Stephen Waitson - Father
ADDRESS: Napanee,
Ont.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS
MOTHER Mrs. Alma Waitson

ADDRESS: Napanee, Ont.

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)
DATE DESP

REGN. NO. 2034

(2)

(3)

26-3-45