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ATTESTATION FORM
 (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME MacPHAIL, OFFICIAL NO. ✓ 456
 CHRISTIAN NAMES Sidney John. MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single.

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
Andrew St., Pictou, N.S.	Presbyterian.

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
18th February, 1924.	Town Pictou County Pictou Province N.S.	Mrs. Cassie A. MacPhail, (mother) Andrew St., Pictou, N.S.
*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.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet. <u>5</u>	Inflated. <u>36</u>	Blond	Blue	Fair	Nil.
Inches. <u>10</u>	Deflated. <u>33</u>				
<u>133</u>	Mean. <u>34</u>				

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
24th February, 1942 Active Service. R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment) at which enrolled	Stoker II (temp) Stadacona.	Acetylene burner, Pictou Foundry and Machine Co., Pictou, N.S.

(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, or Reserve Force.~~
 * (b) I served in Pictou Highlanders. for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

Personnel Records Division.
1. Noted in Records <u>✓</u>
2. Naval Volunteer Reserve Card <u>✓</u>
3. Non-Sub. Card <u>✓</u>
4. Reserve of Officers' Record <u>✓</u>
5. Raneo Strip <u>✓</u>
6. Pension Card <u>✓</u>
7. <u>✓</u>
8. <u>✓</u>
DATE <u>5-2-42</u>

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
Pictou Highlanders Reserve Army.	Private. F 455663.	20 July 41	23 Feb '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.

(3) On being enrolled as a member of the Halifax 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 24th day of February, 1942.

Signature of applicant X Sidney J MacPhail

(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 24th day of February, 1942.

Atkinson
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Sidney John MacPHAIL, 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 X Sidney J MacPhail
Witness Atkinson

Date 24th February, 1942. Rank Lieutenant, 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

Sidney John MacPHAIL, 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 Halifax Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

Atkinson
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R. Attesting Officer.
R.C.N.V.R. Division Stadacona
(or other establishment)

24th February, 1942

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 stoker Branch of the Naval Service by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to another Branch.

X Sidney J MacPhail
Signature

VL56

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-M-3533

OFFICIAL NUMBER

VL56

NAME MacPHAIL Sidney John DATE OF BIRTH 18th February, 1914.
(Surname) (Given Names)PLACE OF BIRTH Pictou, N.S. OCCUPATION Acetylene burner.
RELIGION Presbyterian EDUCATION Grade IX.RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. Andrew St Town Pictou Province, etc. N.S.

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
24	2	42	H.O.	5'10	Blond	Blue	Fair		Pictou High. Res. Army.	Pte	20-7	23-2

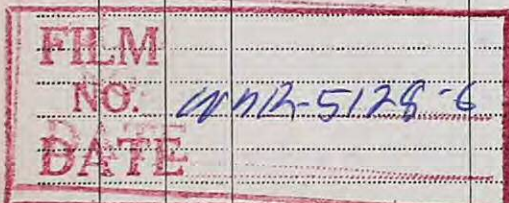
NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Cassie A. MacPhail
ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. Andrew St Town Pictou Province, etc. N.S.

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	

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		

Date (in figures)				DAYS FORFEITED						O.H.F. Received.	
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.	Ins. Book. Halifax, N.S.		

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To



HMCS "LOUISBURG" Aug. /43. R.C.N.V.R.
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON
ENTITLED TO Mr. Nathan MacPhail - Father

ADDRESS: St. Andrew Street,
Pictou, N.S.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS
MOTHER Mrs. Cassie A. MacPhail

ADDRESS: St. Andrew Street
PICTON, N.S.

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)

DATE DESP.....

REGN. NO.....

1038

(2)

(3) 20 March 1943

DECEASED 6 February 1943

NAVY

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

D.D.
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

MACPHAIL	Sidney John	V-456	Sto. 1/c	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE. 3

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	2837
Africa Star & Clasp	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

FILE NO 113-M-3533
DRAFTED BY NFR PER: T L B
DATE 11-2-43

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10 Mil.-8-42 (5915-6)
N.S. 815-9-1320D

NAVAL MESSAGE

To:

MRS. CASSIE A MACPHAIL
ST ANDREW STREET
PICTOU NS.

From:

NSHQ OTTAWA

113-M-3533

CNS
VCNS
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THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES
DEEPLY REGRETS TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON SIDNEY
JOHN MACPHAIL STOKER 1ST CLASS ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL
VOLUNTEER RESERVE OFFICIAL NO V-456 IS MISSING PRESUMED
KILLED IN ACTION. LETTER FOLLOWS.

(DELIVERY CONFIRMED)

/11

LT

PL

11/2/43

KMG

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TLB/IF

N.S. 113-M-3533

- Naval Service -

12th February, 1943.

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Dear Mrs. MacPhail:

I deeply regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 11th of February, 1943, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services informing you that your son, Sidney John MacPhail, Stoker 1st Class, Official Number V.456, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing, presumed killed in action.

I regret that I have no further information at present other than a report from Overseas that your son is missing, presumed killed when the ship in which he was serving was sunk by enemy action. I can assure you, however, that immediately further details are available you will be informed.

It is for the public interest that the name of the ship and the fact that she has been lost should not find its way to the enemy until such time as it is decided to publish this information in a Naval Casualty List. For this reason it is requested that you will regard as confidential anything beyond the fact of your son's death on war service until such time as an official announcement is made.

Please allow me to express sincere sympathy with you in your bereavement on behalf 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,

DEPUTY SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Cassie A. MacPhail,
St. Andrew St.,
PICTOU, N.S.

REFS (NAVAL)		
REFER.	INIT	DATE
CNP		
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MDG		
DWS		
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C&W		
NPR.	✓	
SNPA		
PIB		
DEP		
P.A.		
B.F.		

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.
J.M.C.
mvc
Date
Time *12/1*
4.00

(SGD) J. W. C. BARCLAY
DEPUTY SECRETARY PERSONNEL

sa

File Number. 113-M-3533

SERVICE

NAME: MacPHAIL, Sidney, John.

O.N. V456

PRESENT RANK/RATING; Stoker 1

DATE TAKEN ON ACTIVE SERVICE; 24-2-42

SERVICE

SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT

From

To

Stadacona	24-2-42	6-3-42
Protector	7-3-42	27-4-42
Stadacona	28-4-42	30-4-42
Cornwallis	1-5-42	19-6-42
Louisburg	20-6-42	15-12-42
Niobe	16-12-42	_____

*Canada + High Seas
Staff 13.2.43*

WILL: No.

NAME & ADDRESS OF Mother: Mrs Cassie, A. MacPhail,
NEXT OF KIN: Andrew Street,
Pictou, N.S.

~~DISCHARGED PREVIOUSLY?~~

~~REASON;~~

~~DATE;~~

Initialed by:

GL

Date: *13-2-43*

Section: *3*

Naval Personnel Records.

(TO BE COMPLETED IN INK.)

VERIFICATION FORM

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

STATING *Sto* : *1/6* : OFF. NO. *V-456* ADDRESS

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>1</i>	<i>stars</i>
<i>Africa + Clasp.</i>						ATLANTIC		
						FRANCE G.		
<i>and Killed.</i>						AFRICA	<i>2</i>	<i>Clasp.</i>
						PACIFIC		
						BURMA		
						ITALY		
						DEFENCE		
						C.V.S.M.	<i>2</i>	<i>Clasp</i>
						" CLASP		
						WAR 1945	<i>1</i>	<i>medal.</i>
						WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *JH M*

BY DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

113-M-3533

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

#84

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

94147

H.M.C.S. "NIOBE" (LOUISBURG) at

Name **McPHAIL, Sidney John**
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating **Stoker 1st Class** Official No. **V-456**
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth **Pictou, Nova Scotia** Date of Birth **18th February, 1924**

Occupation in Civil Life **Acetylene Burner** Religion **Presbyterian**

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) **Eleven months.**

Date of Death **6th February, 1943** Place of Death **At Sea**

Cause of Death **Loss of ship due to enemy action.**
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Nearest known relative or friend { Name **Mrs. Cassie McPHAIL** Relationship **Mother**
Address **Andrew Street, Pictou, Nova Scotia.**

Date on which the above was informed by Ship **Informed by N. S. H. Q.**

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

Place of Burial (if known) Date of Burial (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave (if known)

Undertaker employed (if any)

If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalidated

W. H. Huggley **Commander, R.C.N.,**
Commanding Officer,

10th March, 1943.

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

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.

C.N.S. 1121
15M-7-40 (5849)
N.S. 815-9-1121

*Duplicates on file
NFA @ NFR 15
12/15*

Grade VIII shows 8. F455663

ATTESTATION

NON-PERMANENT ACTIVE MILITIA OF CANADA

UNIT REGTL. No.

1. Surname? (Block letters) MacPHAIL M-214

2. Christian names? Sidney John

3. Present address? Pictou, N.S.

Phone No.

4. Date of Birth? * 18/2/18 5. British subject? yes

6. Occupation? Messenger, CNR. 7. Religion? C of E.

8. Next of Kin Mathew A. MacPhail 9. Relationship? Father

Address Pictou N.S.

10. Previous Naval, Military or Air Force Service no
(Give particulars, qualifications, etc.)

S J MacPhail

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Height 5' 9 1/2" Weight 129 lbs Chest max 34" min 31 1/2"

Descriptive marks none

I have examined the above named man in accordance with instructions laid down in Instructions for the R.C.A.M.C. and C.D.C. 1937 Appendix V and find him Category A

Date July 16/41 Signature G. A. Swan

DECLARATION TO BE MADE ON ATTESTATION

I, the undersigned S. J. MacPhail do sincerely and solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above answers (made by me) to the foregoing questions are true; that I am willing to be attested for the term of three years or until legally discharged, and do understand the nature and terms of this engagement, that I will safeguard all clothing, arms and equipment issued to me and will return same when required, and that I will report any change in address of myself, or my next of kin to my Commanding Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN

I, S. J. MacPhail do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty

Signature of Witness W. H. ... Signature of Man Sidney J. MacPhail

Dated this 16th day of July 1941 at Pictou

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

The recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answers to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished by law. The above questions were then read to the recruit in my presence. I have taken care that he understands each question and that his answer to each question has been duly entered and replied to, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath.

W. H. ...
Signature of Magistrate, Justice of Peace, or Attesting Officer

Statement of Services

Promotions, Reductions, Transfers, Casualties, Annual Training, Qualification Certificates, etc.	Effective Date	Authority for Entry	Signatures of Officers Certifying Correctness of entries
Accepted for Service with effect from..... <u>11-7-41</u>	<u>11/7/41</u>	<u>Part II</u> <u>Grade</u> <u># 87</u>	<u>H. Sutherland</u> Officer Commanding Unit <u>2 P. H.</u>
<u>Completed 20 days</u> <u>camp training</u> <u>1941</u>	<u>27/1/41</u>	<u>Part II DO</u> <u># 122</u>	<u>Co Secicler</u> Capt
<u>Completed 2 days local</u> <u>1941</u>	<u>30/7/41</u>	<u>Part II DO</u> <u># 125</u>	<u>Co Secicler</u> Capt
<u>S.S. entering in</u> <u>RENR</u>	<u>26 Feb 42</u>	<u>Part II DO</u> <u># 10</u> <u>12 Mar. 42</u>	<u>Co Secicler</u> Capt
Medals and Decorations			

NOTE.—These entries are to be made from time to time as they occur and certified by the Officer making the entry.

Attestations to be made out in duplicate, the original being forwarded to be filed in Regimental Orderly Room, the duplicate to be kept in the Battery, Squadron, Company, etc

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