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No. 2000

ATTESTATION FORM

(HOSTILITIES FORM) NS 136835

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME CLANCY OFFICIAL No. 174066
CHRISTIAN NAMES Gregory Joseph MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
72 Woodside Avenue, Toronto	R.C.

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
4th Feb. 1925	Town Toronto County York Province Ont.	Mother Mrs. Mary Ellen Clancy Same Address
*Original Nationality of:		
Father British		
Mother British		

*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 5	Inflated 33	Brown	Brown	Fair	None
Inches 6 1/4	Deflated 31				
115	Mean 32				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
Junior Matric	Bookkeeper Western Assurance Co. 1822 Wellington East Toronto, Ont.

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	H.M.C.S. ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH ENROLLED
DIV. STRENGTH 29th Oct. 1943	ORD SMN W/T RCNVR (T)	YORK

(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, Air Force, Reserve or Territorial Force.

* (b) I served in /X/X/X/X/X/X/ for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
	/X/X/X/X/X/X/		

Personnel Records Division.

1. Noted in Records

2. Index Card

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4. Statistical Card

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6. Pension Card

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DATE 9-11-43

(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.

(5) On being enrolled as a member 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 when called and 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 naval establishment 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, until called into active service, 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.

(e) I have not been induced to enter as ORD SMN W/T by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to any other branch or rating.

Dated this 29th day of Oct. 1943

Signature of applicant G. J. Clancy

(C) **CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this 29th day of Oct. 1943

My authority for attestation is RD---

G. J. Deason
Signature and rank of Attesting Officer.
LIEUT. RCNVR

(D) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I, Gregory Joseph Clancy 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 G. J. Clancy

Witness G. J. Deason

Date 29th Oct. 1943 Rank LIEUT. RCNVR

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

NOTE.—Attestation Form in duplicate, Certificate of Medical Examination (B-207) in duplicate, Occupational History Form in triplicate and certificates of previous service are to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters **immediately** after attestation.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after examination.

The corner of this Certificate is to be cut off if the man is discharged with a "Bad" character or with disgrace, or if specially directed by the Department of National Defence (Naval Service). If the corner is cut off, the fact is to be noted in the Ledger.

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Gregory Joseph CLANCY

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

NS136835

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number
	<i>H.M.C.S. "York"</i>	<i>V-74066</i>
		"
		"

Date of Birth	<i>4 February, 1925</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
Place of Birth	<i>Toronto, York, Ontario</i>	<i>Mother</i>
Place of Residence	<i>72 Woodside Ave, Toronto Ontario</i>	<i>Mrs Mary Ellen Clancy</i>
Trade brought up to	<i>Bookkeeper</i>	<i>(Same address)</i>
Religion	<i>Roman Catholic Church</i>	

Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date.....19..... Signature..... Rank.....

P.S.T. Date.....19..... 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>29 Dec '43</i>	<i>Duration of Absentia</i>	<i>Ord. Surg. W/T</i>	<i>15 April '45</i>		<i>Provisionally awarded C.U.S.M.</i>

	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>6 1/4</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>None</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

V74066

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-C-5557

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V74066

NAME

CLANCY

(Surname)

Gregory Joseph

(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH

4th. Feb. 1925

PLACE OF BIRTH

Toronto. Ont.

OCCUPATION

Bookkeeper

RELIGION

R.C.

EDUCATION

Jr. Matric.

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

72 Woodside Ave.,

Town

Toronto

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
29	10	43	H.O.	5'6 1/2"	Brown	Brown	Fair					

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

NAME (in pencil)

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

72 Woodside Ave.

Town

Toronto

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	
				8	9	44	Qual. "Tel."				

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		

FILM
 NO. WSP 4180-3
DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED					
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.

O.H.F. Received.
 Last Will & Testament #15272 Received.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To

W.S.G.
 APPLICATION
 10579
 REC'D 6/45

V74066

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME CLANCY
(Surname)

Gregory Joseph
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER V74066

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year
HMCS "YORK"	Ord.Smn.W/T	29	10	43	Div.Str.Toronto,	VG	MOD 3	11	2	44
"	"	2	2	44	Act.Service DL.3.2.44	V.G.		31	12	44
Montcalm	"	10	2	44	DL.10.2.44	V.G.	Supr.	16	4	45
St. Hyacinthe	"	20	3	44	DL.20.3.44.					
Stadacona	"	28	9	44	DRD #288 P.5					
Esquimalt	"	7	10	44	DRD Sh.280 P.4					
	Ord. Tel.	24	6	44	Back Dated Transf.249A 48712					
	TEL	03	02	45	ALT 32815					
DISCHARGED	"	16	4	45	"Dead" Sub. 22-5-45					

Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Re-Qualified		
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year

GENERAL REMARKS

Granted Can. Memorial Cross to Mother to date 28.6.45.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE	CIVIL OCCU.		RELI.	ED.	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	GION		P.	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR.	RANK
04	2	25	11	810	0	10	6	1	56	14	0	23	0	08	95
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP	CR.	RANK OR RATE			
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A	BR.	RANK		
29	10	43								9810	0	08	95		
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M				CODED		CHECKED			
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.									
02	02	44	13	00	00										

Handwritten signatures and initials at the bottom right of the page.

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REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. REDFLEET at Sea

Name CLANCY, Gregory Joseph
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating PO1 Official No. V-74066 R.C.N.V.R.
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Toronto, Ontario Date of Birth 4th Feb., 1925

Occupation in Civil Life Bookkeeper Religion Roman Catholic

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) 16th Oct., 1943 - 16th April, 1945

Date of Death 16th April, 1945 Place of Death at Sea

Cause of Death 1. Shot by enemy action
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Mary K. Clancy Relationship Mother
Address 72 Westside Ave., Toronto, Ontario.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship not known

Date on which death was registered with local Officials not known

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 *****

H. J. Gowan
Commanding Officer,
.....194.....

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

*Noted
D. J. P. A.
29.5.45
L. D.*

LA/YB

R E G I S T E R E D

A I R M A I L

N.S. V-74066, PERS.(N)

19 April, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Clancy:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 18th of April, 1945, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Gregory Joseph Clancy, Telegraphist, Official Number V-74066, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing at sea due to enemy action.

From information available, little hope can be held for his survival and there is no possibility of his having been taken prisoner. For security reasons, this is the only information which can be released at this time.

Should no information be received to the contrary, an official presumption of his death will be made at a later date, when you will be informed. Please be assured, however, that as soon as any further news is received or more details can be released, you will be informed immediately.

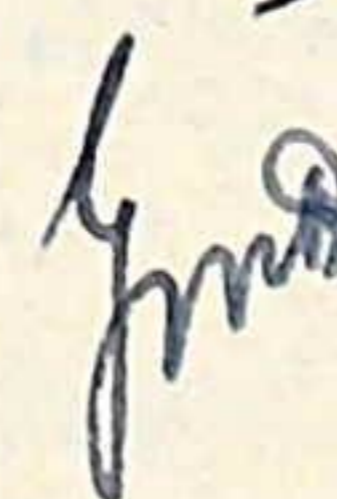
It is requested that you will regard the name of the ship in which Telegraphist Clancy was serving, together with the fact that she has been in contact with the enemy, as secret until an official announcement is made.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy of the Department with you in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,


SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Mary E. Clancy,
72 Woodside Ave.,
TORONTO, Ontario.





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LA/ERM

R E G I S T E R E D

A I R M A I L

N.S. V-74066 PERS(N) 25

, 7 May, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Clancy:

Further to my letter of the 19th of April, 1945, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your son, Gregory Joseph Clancy, Telegraphist, Official Number V-74066, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMALT", the ship in which he was serving, the fact that all circumstances surrounding his loss have been carefully reviewed, and as no news has since been received to the contrary, the Canadian Naval Authorities have now presumed his death to have occurred on the 16th of April, 1945.

H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMALT", a Royal Canadian Navy minesweeper, was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine while on operational duty off the east coast of Canada. One Officer and fifteen ratings were killed at the time of the disaster, four Officers and twenty-four ratings are missing and now presumed dead, while two Officers and twenty-four ratings survived the sinking.

The above information is now being released for publication.

The following is an excerpt from the report of a Canadian Naval Press Relations Officer who was in contact with survivors of the ill-fated ship.

"Struck by a torpedo on the starboard side, H.M.C.S. "ESQUIMALT" listed heavily, and sank stern first in a few minutes. The ship's list had the seaboard under water and flooded before it could be released from the davits, but carley floats were freed quickly before the ship went down, and those who escaped from the ship gathered on four of these floats.

"It was from the four floats that a sister Bangor mine-sweeper, H.M.C.S. "SARNIA", picked up the survivors nearly six hours later. Many who had reached the floats safely had died of exposure on the floats, from the soaking in the cold sea water, and sixteen bodies were taken aboard the rescue craft.

"In spite of the rapidity with which the ship heeled over and slid under the surface there was no panic or confusion", a surviving Officer reported. Everyone he had seen had been calmly and quickly abandoning ship.

"Many men had died in the floats, and their bodies were brought aboard H.M.C.S. "SARNIA" with the survivors.

"Artificial respiration was given to some of the unconscious men for hours after they were picked up, but only two men were revived."

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,

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

L.E.
Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

[Signature]
Date 8/5/45
Time 1200

Mrs. Mary E. Clancy,
72 Woodside Ave,
TORONTO, Ont.

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NAVY

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

CLANCY	Gregory Joseph	V-74066	Tel.	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	730
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCNVR Jan. 46 "ESQUIMALT"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON
ENTITLED TO Mrs. Mary E. Clancy - Mother
ADDRESS: 72 Woodside Ave.,
TORONTO, Ont.

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

REGN. NO. 2006

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS
WIDOW

(2)

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS
MOTHER Mrs. M.E. Clancy

(3)

26-6-45

ADDRESS: 72 Woodside Avenue, Toronto, Ont.