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ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME GRAY OFFICIAL NO. V.10644
CHRISTIAN NAMES Gordon Tilford MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS Sylvania, Saskatchewan. RELIGION United

DATE OF BIRTH 29th September 1919 *PLACE OF BIRTH
Town Sylvania, NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN Joshua Gray (Father)
County Sask. Sylvania, Sask.
Province
*Original Nationality of:
Father Irish
Mother Norwegian

*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>36</u>	<u>Red</u>	<u>Grey</u>	<u>Rudy</u>	<u>Scar left thumb</u>
Inches..... <u>4 1/2</u>	Deflated..... <u>33</u>				
	Mean..... <u>34 1/2</u>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING Grade 8 - Sylvania, Sask. TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY Farm hand - Sylvania, Sask.

DATE OF ENROLMENT 18th June 1941 RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED Stoker 11 R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED REGINA
Divisional Strength

(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 Reserve Army for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM
<u>Reserve Army - Regina</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>17th April 1941</u>

(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.

Personnel Records to Division	
1. Within June 1941.	<u>703</u>
2. Index Card	<u>703</u>
3. Non Sub. Card	<u>703</u>
4. Statistical Card	<u>703</u>
5. His Majesty's Forces	<u>703</u>
6. Pension Card	
7. the best of my knowledge	
8. DATE	<u>8-7-41</u>

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the..... REGINA 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..... 18th day of..... June 1941

Signature of applicant..... Gordon Tilford Gray

(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..... 18th day of..... June 1941

..... Lieut. RCNVR.
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I,..... Gordon Tilford Gray 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..... Gordon Tilford Gray
Witness..... ..

Date..... 18th June 1941 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

..... Gordon Tilford Gray 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..... REGINA Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

..... Lieut. RCNVR.
Attesting Officer.

..... 16th June 194 1 R.C.N.V.R. Division REGINA
(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.

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Gordon Tifford GRAY

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

TCNS-~~8377A~~

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number
<i>Esquimaux</i>	<i>Regina</i>	<i>V-10694</i>
		"
		"

Date of Birth	<i>29 Sept 1919</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)		
Place of Birth	<i>Sylvania Sask.</i>			
Place of Residence	<i>Sylvania Sask.</i>			
Trade brought up to	<i>Farm Hand</i>			
Religion	<i>United</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>7 June '41</i>	<i>18 June '41</i>	<i>Duration</i>	<i>Str II</i>	<i>17 Feb 44</i>	<i>17 Feb 44</i>	<i>Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp</i> <i>1939-1943 Star</i>

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>4 1/2</i>	<i>34 1/2</i>	<i>135</i>	<i>Red</i>	<i>Grey</i>	<i>Ruddy</i>	<i>Scar Left Thumb</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

Name Edward Tilford GRAY Conduct

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT (Inclusive Dates) CHARACTER, ABILITY IN RATING ON COMPLETION OF TRAINING, DISCHARGE FROM THE SERVICE, AND ANNUALLY, 31st DECEMBER, WHILE MOBILIZED

From	To	Character	Efficiency in Rating Noting Substantive Rating in Brackets	Date	Captain's Signature
		V. G.	Sat. (Sto. II)	31 Dec. 41	[Signature]
		V. G.	Sat. (Sto. II)	31 Dec. 42	A. Muggley
		V. G.	Sat. (A/Std. Sto.)	31 Dec. 43	[Signature]
		V. G.	Sat. (Std. Sto.)	31 Dec. 44	[Signature]
		V. G.	Sat. (1/4 Sto.)	18 Mch. 45	W. M. [Signature]

R.C.N.V.R. GOOD CONDUCT AND GOOD SERVICE BADGES

Date	G.S.B. or G.C.B.	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Granted, Deprived, Restored
24 Jan 45	G.C.B.	1st	A. 61044 GRANTED

TIME FORFEITED

Date	P., D.C., C.P., or W.T.	No. of Days	
		Awarded	Served

V10694

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-G-992

OFFICIAL NUMBER V10694

NAME GRAY (Surname) Gordon Tilford (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 29 September 1919PLACE OF BIRTH Sylvania, Sask. OCCUPATION Farm handRELIGION United Church EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. Town Sylvania Province, etc. Sask.

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
18	6	41	H.O.	5'4 1/2"	Red	Gray	Ruddy	Scar left thumb.	Reserve Army Regina.	Pte.	17-4-	17-6-41

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Josephine GrayADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. Booth Town Sylvania Province, etc. Sask.

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	
17	2	44	C.V.S.M. (R.&C.) & 1939-1943 Star <i>12494-A-10078</i>	14	7	43	Granted Aux. Mach. W/K Cert.				
				18	10	43	Qual. for Conf. as Idg. Sto.				

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		
24	1	45	1st GCB	Granted							
			<i>(2494-A-10044)</i>								

FILM
NO. WAR 5316-7
DATE

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

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To



V10694 OFFICIAL NUMBER NAME GRAY Gordon Tilford OFFICIAL NUMBER V10694
 (Surname) (Given Names)

P.I.B.

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
Div. Str. Regina	Stoker 11	18	6	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41							
Duty Div. Hdqtrs York	"	24	1	42		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Naden	"	27	1	42		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Stadacona	"	22	3	42		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	44							
Prescott	"	29	6	42	D.R.D. #2388	V.G.	Sat.	18	3	45							
Stadacona	"	9	7	42	D.R.D.												
"	"	3	7	43	D.R.D. H-1952.												
"	Stoker 1	8	11	42	Rated (219A/19388)												
"	A/I dg. Sto.	15	11	43	Rated (memo-20-10-43)												
Guyborough	"	3	12	43	D&D H-3/12												
DISCHARGED	"	18	3	45	Missing, Casualty List Page 140.												
					Presumed "Dead" Casualty List Page 140.												

GENERAL REMARKS
 X-ray App.
 Can. Memorial Cross awarded to:
 Mother: Mrs. Josephine Gray,
 Box 16,
 Sylvania, Sask. on 4-6-45.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		RELI.	ED	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.		RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	GTOR	P	CTV	TOWN	SERV	DIV.	A	BR	RANK		
29	9	19	19	090	0	40X	7	14	00	9	17	0	15	95		
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE		STR.		ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP CA		RANK OR RATE				
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A	DR.	RANK			
18	06	41	24	01	42					3290	1	15	93			
SERVICITY			STR.		NON-SUB		M			CODED		CHECKED				
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	OT.	E.P.D.									
15	11	43	13	00	00		J.W.A.					T.M.				

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INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS' RECORDS.

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

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REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

~~HTLOS~~ Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa, Ontario.

Name GRAY Gordon Tilford
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Leading Stoker Official No. V-10694 Unit R.C.N. (R.C.N.V.R.)

Place of Birth Sylvania, Sask Date of Birth 29 September, 1919

Occupation in Civil Life Farm hand Religion United Church

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 18 June, 1941 to 18 March, 1945.

Date of Death 18 March, 1945. Place of Death At sea

Cause of Death Missing, presumed dead. He was serving in H.M.C.S.
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

"GUYSBOROUGH" which was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action at sea.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Josephine Gray Relationship Mother
Address Box 16,
Sylvania, Sask.

Date on which the above was informed by ~~SNP~~ Naval Service Headquarters: 21 March, 1945.

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 ---

Noted in SNPA G.P. 11.5.45.

H.B. Money
for SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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

Date Ottawa, Ont., 1 May, 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.

NAVAL MESSAGE

To: MRS. JOSEPHINE GRAY,
BOX 16,
SYLVANIA, SASKATCHEWAN.

NSHQ From:

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V.10694

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THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES
DEEPLY REGRETS TO REPORT THAT YOUR SON GORDON TILFORD GRAY
LEADING STOKER V-10694 IS MISSING AT SEA. LETTER FOLLOWS.

DPR

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DELIVERY CONFIRMED

L/T

P/L

21/3-45

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NS V-10694 PERS(N)
DRAFTED BY DPR
LIEUT (S) T F HEARD

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REGISTERED

AIR MAIL

FILE V-10694 Pers.(N)

21st March, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Gray:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 21st of March, 1945, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Gordon Tilford Gray, Leading Stoker, Official Number V-10694, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing at sea.

The only information that can be given at this time is that your son is missing at sea as the result of enemy action. The position of the action is such that there is little possibility of him being a prisoner of war and slight hope can be held for his survival.

Please be assured that as soon as further particulars can be released or any other news received, you will be informed.

For security reasons, it is requested that you regard the name of your son's ship in connection with his loss as confidential at this time.

Please accept the sincere sympathy of the Department in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Josephine Gray,
Box 16,
Sylvania, Saskatchewan.

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL
RCNVR Dec. 45 "GUYSBOROUGH"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. Joshua Gray - Father

ADDRESS: Box 16,
SYLVANIA, Sask.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

Mrs. J. Gray

ADDRESS:

75 Agricola Street
HALIFAX, N.S.

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)

DATE DESP.....

REGN. NO.....

15-9

(2)

(3)

4 June 1945

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL
RCNVR Dec. 45 "GUYSBOROUGH"

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(3)

4 June 1945