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ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

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FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME **MOUNTAIN,** OFFICIAL NO. **31164**
CHRISTIAN NAMES **William Tudor,** MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER **Single**

PERMANENT ADDRESS **1119-9th St. East, CALGARY, Alberta.** RELIGION **Anglican**

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
April 23, 1924	Town Calgary County Province Calgary	Mother: Mrs. Alice Mountain Same Address.

*Original Nationality of:
Father **English**
Mother **English**

*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 35	Light Brown	Blue	Fair	Nil
Inches 8	Deflated 32 1/2				
	Mean 33.3/4"				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
Grade 9	Delivery Boy.

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
18th March, 1942	Ord. Sea.	CALGARY

(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 have never served in any other force of His Majesty's Forces or in any other force of any other Government or in any other force of any other country.~~

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM

Personnel Records Division

1. Noted in Records	TO M.M.
2. Index Card	AB
3. Non-Sub. Card	AB
4. Statistical Card	AB
5. Rone Strip	AB
6. Pension Card	
7. of His Majesty's Forces	
8. DATE	21.3.42

- (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.

Unemployment Insurance Book - Yes

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the.....**CALGARY**.....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.....**March, 1942**.....

Signature of applicant.....*W. Tudor Mountain*.....

(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.....**March, 1942**.....

A. C. M. Gowan Lieut.
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I,.....**WILLIAM TUDOR MOUNTAIN**,.....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.....*W. Tudor Mountain*.....

Witness.....*A. C. M. Gowan*.....

Date.....**18th March, 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**

.....**WILLIAM TUDOR MOUNTAIN**,.....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.....**CALGARY**.....Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

Lieut. A. C. M. Gowan
Attesting Officer.

.....**18th March,**.....194...**2**..... R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment).....**CALGARY**.....

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

W. Tudor Mountain
Signature

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

William Tudor Mountain

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters <i>Asquimatt</i>	R.C.N.V.R. Division <i>Calgary</i>	Official Number <i>V 51164</i>
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Date of Birth *April 23rd 1924*

Place of Birth *Calgary Alta*

Place of Residence *1119 9th St E. Calgary*

Trade brought up to *Selwery Boy* **O.H.F.**

Religion *Anglican*

Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
Mother Mrs Alice Mountain Same address 9-11-43

Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date *June 24 1942* Signature *[Signature]* Rank *P/5/K*

P.S.T. Date *June 24 1942* Signature *[Signature]* Rank *P/5/K*

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>18th March 1942</i>		<i>hostilities</i>	<i>ORD. SMN.</i>		<i>2 Medals</i>	<i>Canadian Volunteer Service Medal + 1939-43 Star } Award</i>

	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>33 3/4</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>Light Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Nil</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

V31164 OFFICIAL NUMBER FILE NUMBER 113-M-3700 OFFICIAL NUMBER V31164
 NAME MOUNTAIN William Tudor DATE OF BIRTH 23 April, 1924
 (Surname) (Given Names)

PLACE OF BIRTH Calgary, Alta. OCCUPATION Delivery Boy
 RELIGION Church of England EDUCATION Grade 9
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 1119-9th St. East Town Calgary Province, etc. Alta.

ENGAGEMENTS			DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE			
Date (in figures)			Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year								Period	From
18	3	42	L. Brown	Blue	Fair	Nil.					

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) *Mother* NAME (in pencil) *Mrs Alice Mountain*
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. *1119-9th St. East* Town *Calgary* Province, etc. *Alta.*

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	
2	3	44	C.V.S.M. (R & C) 1939/43 Star. <i>#2071</i>	7	7	42	Passed E.T. "One" RCN				
14	8	45	Mention in Despatches <i>(1249A-5334)</i>	3	9	42	P.P.T. "Fair" (249A-5284)				
				24	9	42	Qual. "TR" (249A-5334)				

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. WSR 5506-1-
 DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED						C.H.F. Received
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.	
									C.H.F. Received
									Last Will & Testament dated 16-6-42 received

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 From To

W.S.G.
 APPLICATION
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VERIFICATION FORM

STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.

NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RANK/RATING *Altd. / Sr.* OFF. NO. *V 31164* ADDRESS

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	1	star
<i>W. 6 x air</i>	<i>27/1/45</i>						ATLANTIC	1	@ clasp
							FRANCE G.	2	
							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	@ clasp
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	medal
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *[Signature]*
[Signature]

VERIFIED BY DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

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

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

Name MOUNTAIN, William Tudor
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Able Seaman Official No. V-31164 Unit R.C.N.R.
R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Calgary, Alberta Date of Birth 23 April, 1924

Occupation in Civil Life Delivery Boy Religion Anglican

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 18th March, 1942 to 18th 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. "GUYSBOROUGH"
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)
which was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action at sea.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Alice Mountain Relationship Mother
Address 1119-9th St. East
CALGARY, Alta.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship 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 ---

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

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

Date Ottawa, Ontario, 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.

*Noted
D. N. P. A
9-5-45
C. D.*

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AIR MAIL

/NAVAL SERVICE -

NS. V.31164

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21 March, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Mountain:

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, William Tudor Mountain, Able Seaman, Official Number V.31164, 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. Alice Mountain,
1119-9th St. East,
CALGARY, Alta.

Yours *W* *W*

AIR MAIL

N.S. V.31164, (PERS. #)

23 April, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Mountain:

Further to my letter of the 21st of March, 1945, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your son, William Tudor Mountain, Able Seaman, Official Number V.31164, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "GUYSBOROUGH", 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 18th of March, 1945.

H.M.C.S. "GUYSBOROUGH", a Royal Canadian Navy minesweeper, was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine while on operational duty at sea. Five Officers and 48 ratings, including one Royal Navy Officer and one rating who were taking passage, are missing and now presumed dead.

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.

"Only one death occurred from the explosion but many died during the 19 hours the men who had survived the explosion spent in the water clinging to five Carley floats. Only six men of 42 on one overcrowded float lived until the rescue ship, a Royal Navy frigate, arrived.

"Both the air and the water were cold," said one of the survivors. "Most of the men who died, died smiling. If they suffered any, you'd never have known it."

"With the whaler overturned and the ship's motor boat holed by the explosion, only the Carley floats remained for the survivors. Four of the five floats were lashed together and from these the majority of the survivors were picked up. Seven hours after the men abandoned ship only 10 men remained alive on the one overcrowded Carley float. Four others died before rescue came.

"Exposure accounted for the largest number of deaths. Survivors were unanimous in saying that those who died did so quietly and with little apparent suffering.

"When the torpedo struck the Guysborough so much debris littered the decks that the Commanding Officer, Lieut. B. T. R. Russell, R.C.N.R., at first glance, thought his ship has been the victim of two simultaneous torpedoes.

"It looked at first as if the ship would survive. Guns crews were closed up, water-tight doors were closed, bulkheads shored up and every effort made to save the little vessel.

"There was just one fatality from the torpedoing,
although some members of a gun's crew were injured."

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,




SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Alice Mountain,
1119-9th St. East,
Calgary, Alberta.



Despatched by
Sec. N. B.


Date 22.4.45
Time 13ad

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

HMCS "GUYSBOROUGH"

Nov/45 R.C.N.V.R.

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS

PERSON

ENTITLED TO

Mrs. Alice Mountain - Mother

ADDRESS: 1119 9th St., East
~~East~~ Calgary, Alta.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

Mrs. A. Mountain

ADDRESS:

1119 - 9th Street East
CALGARY, Alta.

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)

DATE DESP.....

REGN. NO.....

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(2)

(3) 4 June 1945

DECEASED 19 March 1945

AWARDS NAVY

D.D.

MOUNTAIN	William Tudor	V-31164	A.B.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICEBADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	3118
Atlantic Star & Clasp	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	
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