

Unemployment Insurance Card: *J-45*
 Employer: *Clint Regan Boy's Shop*

77445

Nearest Claims Office: *80 Pine St. St. John's*

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ATTESTATION FORM
 (HOSTILITIES FORM)

APR 16 1942

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FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME: *Williams* OFFICIAL NO. *V-33660*
 CHRISTIAN NAMES: *Roland George* MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER: *Single*

PERMANENT ADDRESS: *13 Hospital Street Saint John N.B.* RELIGION: *Anglican*

DATE OF BIRTH: *Nov 21/20* PLACE OF BIRTH: Town *Saint John*, County *Saint John*, Province *N.B.*
 NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN: *Father: Samuel S Williams, 13 Hospital Street, Saint John N.B.*

*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: <i>5</i>	Inflated: <i>33</i>	<i>Light</i>			<i>Small scar right buttock</i>
Inches: <i>5</i>	Deflated: <i>31</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Fair</i>	
	Mean: <i>32</i>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING: *Junior High School*
 TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY: *Bookkeeper & Clerk at C Regan Boy's Shop*

DATE OF ENROLMENT: *28/3/42* RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED: *Prob S.A.* R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED: *NMCS Brunswick*

(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.

ENTERED IN PAY LEDGERS
 H. M. C. S. "BYTOWN"
 FAIR
 ROUGH

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

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM

Personnel Records Division.
 1. Noted in Records: *W.B.*
 2. Index Card TO: *W.B.*
 3. Non-Sub. Card: *W.B.*
 4. Statistical Card: *W.B.*
 5. Record Strip: *W.B.*
 6. Pension Card: *W.B.*
 7. *W.B.*
 of His Majesty's Forces on
 DATE: *23/3/42*

(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any 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 AMCS Burnside Division of 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 28th day of March/42

Signature of applicant Roland G. Williams

(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 28th day of March/42

R.D. Munro Leut.
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Roland George Williams 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 Roland G. Williams

Witness R.D. Munro

Date 28/3/42

Rank Leut R.C.N.R.

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

Roland George Williams 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 AMCS Burnside Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

R.D. Munro Leut.
Attesting Officer.

28/3/42 194..... R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment) AMCS Burnside

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

Roland G. Williams
Signature

Confidential.

113-51-1742

Saint John, N. B., October 21, 1942 3.

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Director General of Naval Stores,
New Naval Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Re Supply Assistants,
H.M.C.S. "Brunswicker"

In accordance with instructions, submitted herewith is confidential report on Supply Assistants at the above Division.

V-4849. J.H. Davis, L.S.A., is 29 years of age, of good appearance, very intellectual, sober and very efficient in the performance of his duties. After period of training, he served in Stores at H.M.C.S. "Stadacona" from July 1st, 1942 until September 20th, 1942, when he was posted to H.M.C.S. "Brunswicker".

His experience in civilian life is of benefit to him in present work, as he served with Dominion Stores, Limited for approximately three years, and T. Eaton Co., Limited for over eight years.

It is considered that this man is quite capable of handling an appointment with greater responsibilities than the present one.

V-33660. R.G. Williams, L.S.A. is 23 years of age, approximately 5 feet 7 inches tall, fair, neat appearance, intellectual type. Keen, sober and very enthusiastic in his work. He was posted to H.M.C.S. "Brunswicker" April, 1942.

He was employed by Manchester, Robertson and Allison, merchants, for three years and this experience is of assistance to him in present duties.

He is apparently a young man worthy of advancement.

Respectfully submitted,

[Handwritten signature]
[Handwritten signature]
[Handwritten signature]

Naval Stores Examiners.

/M.

N.V. 17
 COM-9-43 (3943)
 N.S. 815-11-17

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

Roland George WILLIAMS.

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number <i>V-33660</i>
	<i>H.M.C.S. "Brunswick"</i>	"

Date of Birth..... <i>21 November 1920</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil) <i>Father:- Samuel G. same address</i>
Place of Birth..... <i>Saint John, N.B.</i>	
Place of Residence..... <i>13 Hospital St. St. John, N.B.</i>	
Trade brought up to..... <i>Book keeper + Clerk.</i>	
Religion..... <i>Church of England.</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>25' Mch '42</i>	<i>Duration of hostilities</i>	<i>Prob S/A.</i>	<i>1 March 1944</i>		<i>Ribbon of Canadian Volunteer Service Medal</i>

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>5</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>113 1/2</i>	<i>Light Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Small scar on right buttock.</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

V33660

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-W-1742

OFFICIAL NUMBER V33660

NAME WILLIAMS, Roland George DATE OF BIRTH 21 November, 1920.
(Surname) (Given Names)PLACE OF BIRTH Saint John, N.B. OCCUPATION Bookkeeper & Clerk.RELIGION Anglican. EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 13 Hospital Street, Town St. John, Province, etc. N.B.

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
28	3	42	Hostilities only	5'5"	Lt. Brn.	Blue	Fair	Small scar Right buttock.				

NEXT OF KIN, RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Walter NAME (in pencil) Sydney G. Williams
ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 13 Hospital St. Town St. John Province, etc. N.B.

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	
22	3	44	C.V.S.M. Ribbon (30-23-8)	17	5	43	Passed Idg. SA.				
				26	2	44	Failed for Supply P.O.				

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.	Unemployment Ins. Book St. John, N.B.	

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



P.I.B.

V33660

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME (Surname)

WILLIAMS,

Roland George
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V33660

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
HMCS "Brunswicker"	S.A. Prob.	28	3	42	Div. Str. St. John.	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
"	"	13	4	42	Active Service (D)	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
"	S.A.	14	7	42	Rated (D.L. of 20/7/42.)	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	44							
"	Ldg. S.A.	1	6	43	Rated (249A # A34)	V.G.	Sat.	18	3	45							
"Montcalm"	"	17	12	43	DRD No. 261												
Peregrine	"	11	12	44	DRD #71 P6												
Guyborough	"	4	1	45	DRD S3 P8												
DISCHARGED	"				MISSING Per C.L.												

18 3 45 Presumed Dead per Casualty List.

GENERAL REMARKS

To be paid difference of pay between the rating of L/SA and Supply P.O. from 13.1.44 whilst performing present duties in Clothing Store HMCS Montcalm 249A A28009

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		RELI. ED.		PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. CAL.		RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB.	GRON.	P.	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A.	BR.	RANK		
21	X	20	15	810	0	30	0	5	11	01	0	02	0	22	95	
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE		STR.		ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP OR ESTAB.		RANK OR RATE				
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A.	BR.	RANK			
28	03	42	13	04	42					7720	0	22	93			
SENIORITY			NON-SUB		M		CODED			CHECKED						
DY.	MO.	YR.	A.	B.	ST.											
01	06	43	13	00	00	172			S.A.O.							

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- NAVAL SERVICE -

OTTAWA, Canada.

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. 26 March, 1945.....
(Date)

Sir: The following casualty has been reported -

NAME RANK or RATING NAVAL NO., UNIT

WILLIAMS, Roland George Leading Stores Assistant V-33660, R.C.N.V.R.

DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 20 March, 1942. Active Service: 13 April, 1942.

DATE OF DISCHARGE - will be reported later.

HOSPITAL -
(If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D.P. & N.H.)

SERVICE - Canada & High Seas
(Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and the High seas or elsewhere)

Reason for discharge and - "Missing" at sea from the ship in which he was
when and where any disability was incurred, or where death
occurred. was incurred as a result of enemy action. Should no

information be received to the contrary, you will be notified when official
presumption of death with date has been set.

Show clearly whether death or disability due to enemy action,
accident or disease, and whether it occurred in Canada, or on the high seas or
elsewhere outside Canada.)

NEXT OF KIN & RELATIONSHIP -

RELATIONSHIP - Father NAME - Mr. Samuel G. Williams

ADDRESS - 13 Hospital Street, ST. JOHN, N.B.

Note: If records indicate that rating was separated from his wife,
legally or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any
Court Order, the separation Agreement, etc., to be furnished.

Copies Form "B" fwd.
to Allots. (N) on
... 1/3/45 ... N.P.R./5

Noted
D.N.P.A.
28.3.45
E.P.
H.B. Money
For SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD. c

Secretary,
Canadian Pension Commission,
Room 228, Daly Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

NOTE: Duplicate copies of this form (Form "B") have been forwarded
to the Chief Treasury Officer (Allotment Section), Department of National
Defence, Naval Service, for completion respecting the details of Marriage
Allowance, Dependents Allowance, etc., and subsequent transmission to you.

(See reverse side for further instructions)

VERIFICATION FORM
CAMPAIGN STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL,
NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL

NAME IN FULL WILLIAMS, ROLAND GEORGE.....RANK/RATING ..L.O.G..S.P:.....

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	QUALIFY		
	FROM	TO	DAYS		FROM	TO	1939
		13-4-42					
<i>Lynsborough</i>	4-1-45	18-3-45	74	<i>atlantic</i>			
<i>Discharged "Dead" to date</i>							
		18-3-45					
VERIFIED BY				VERIFIED BY			

VERIFICATION FORM

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

ORGE.....RANK/RATING *L.D.G. S.P.*.....OFF.NO. *V-33660*.....ADDRESS

DAYS	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	<i>Star</i>
	<i>74 atlanti</i>							ATLANTIC	1	<i>Star</i>
								FRANCE G.		
	<i>late</i>							AFRICA		
								PACIFIC		
								BURMA		
								ITALY		
								DEFENCE		
								C.V.S.M.	2	<i>@ clasp</i>
								" CLASP		
								WAR 1945	1	<i>Medal</i>
								WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *J. Lambert*.....

VERIFIED BY

DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

LA/FJL

RECEIVED
AIR MAIL

N.S. V-33660 Pers. (N)

21 March, 1945.

Dear Mr. Williams:

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, Roland George Williams, Leading Stores Assistant, Official Number V-33660, 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.

Mr. Samuel G. Williams,
13 Hospital St.,
ST. JOHN, N.B.

23 April, 1945.

Dear Mr. Williams:

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, Roland George Williams, Leading Stores Assistant, Official Number V-33660, 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. While there is no official confirmation of these statements, they are believed to be authentic, considering their source:

"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 had 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.

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"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.

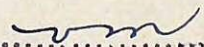
Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mr. Samuel G. Williams,
13 Hospital St.,
ST. JOHN, N.B.



Despatched by
Sec. N. B.


Date 22.4.45
Time 1300

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
D OF D 18-3-45

AWARDS NAVY

WAR SERVICE RECORDS
D.D.

WILLIAMS	Roland George	V-33660	L/S.A.	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 AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

3171

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR Nov. 45 "GUYSBOROUGH"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

MEMORIAL BAR

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. Samuel G. Williams - Father

ADDRESS: 13 Hospital Street,
Saint John, N.B.

DATE DESP.....

(1)

REGN. NO. 538

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(2)

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER deceased

ADDRESS:

(3)