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TRIPPLICATE  
MILITIA ACT

M.F.M. 82  
480M-8.40 (6652)  
H.Q. 1772-39-1773

National Resources Mobilization Act, 1940

A

ENROLMENT  
NON-PERMANENT ACTIVE MILITIA OF CANADA

REGIMENTAL No. M 448 184

Militia Unit taken On Strength EDMONTON FUSILIERS N.P.A.M.

1. Surname (Block Letters) ARMSTRONG

2. Christian Names (In Full) GEORGE Albert

3. Present Address FORT SASKATCHEWAN, ALBERTA

4. Place of Birth Ft. Sask. Alta Date of Birth May 17-19

5. Religion United 6. Occupation Farmer

7. Next-of-Kin Mr G. W. Armstrong father  
(NAME AND ADDRESS)  
Ft. Sask. Alta

8. Physical Description: Height 5-7 Weight 140

Color of Eyes brown Color of Hair W. brown

9. Preference, if any, for Naval, Military or Air Force Service. (Give particulars, qualifications, etc.)

AIR FORCE

CATEGORY A.

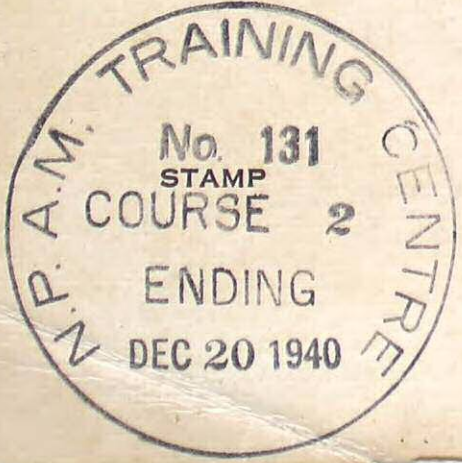
S. J. Callerton  
RANK Lieut

Dated this 22 day of November 19 40

Training Centre No. 131

Geo Armstrong  
(SIGNATURE OF MAN)

W. Paschke  
(SIGNATURE AND RANK OF OFFICER EFFECTING ENROLMENT) major



TRAINING CERTIFICATE  
STAMP

S. J. Callerton  
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AFFIXING THE STAMP) CAPT. & ADJUTANT  
No. 131 N.P.A. MILITIA TRAINING CENTRE



PT. II ORDER

*To/D*

NO.....*130*.....

DATE.....*28/12/40*.....

*B. E. Bissett*

Adj.

2nd Bn. Edmonton Fusiliers, (M. G.) C. A. (R.)





CANADA

N. V. 5  
50M-1-41 (8973)  
N.S. 815-11-5

# ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME ARMSTRONG OFFICIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
CHRISTIAN NAMES George Albert MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER SINGLE

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
<u>Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.</u>	<u>United Church</u>

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>17th May 1919</u>	Town <u>Fort Saskatchewan</u> County _____ Province <u>Alberta.</u>	(Father) <u>Mr. Guy W. Armstrong</u> <u>Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.</u>
*Original Nationality of:		
Father <u>Irish</u>		
Mother <u>Irish</u>		

\*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>38½</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Brown Fair</u>		<u>Mole on back above left hip.</u>
Inches <u>7</u>	Deflated <u>36</u>				
	Mean <u>37</u>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<u>Two credits grade nine.</u>	<u>Farm work.</u> <u>Mr. Guy W. Armstrong (Father)</u> <u>Fort Saskatchewan, Alta.</u>

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
<u>29th Sept. 1941</u>	<u>Ord. Sea.</u>	<u>Edmonton Division.</u>

### (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.~~

2nd Battalion  
\* (b) I served in Edmonton Fusiliers......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
<u>2nd Battalion, Edmonton Fusiliers.</u>	<u>Private</u> <u>M448184</u>	<u>22nd Nov. 1940</u>	<u>13th Sept. 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.



(5) On being enrolled as a member of the.....**EDMONTON**.....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.....**29th**.....day of.....**September 1941**.....

x Signature of applicant.....*George Armstrong*.....

(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.....**29th**.....day of.....**September 1941**.....

*C. Masses*.....**Lieut. R.C.N.V.R.**  
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I,.....**George Albert ARMSTRONG**.....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.

x Signature of Applicant.....*George Armstrong*.....

Witness.....*C. Masses*.....

Date.....**29th Sept. 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**

.....**George Albert ARMSTRONG**.....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.....**EDMONTON**.....Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

*C. Masses*.....  
**Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.** Attesting Officer.

.....**29th Sept.**.....194**1**.....  
R.C.N.V.R. Division.....**EDMONTON**  
(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.



V12833

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-A-688

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V12833

NAME ARMSTRONG

(Surname)

George Albert

(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH 17th. May 1919

PLACE OF BIRTH Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.

OCCUPATION Farm Work.

RELIGION United Church

EDUCATION Grade 9

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

Town Fort Saskatchewan

Province, etc Alberta.

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	9	41	H.O.	5'7"	Brown	Brown	Fair	Mole on back above left hip.	2nd. Battalion Edmonton Fusiliers	Pte.	22-11	18-9-41

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Father

NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Guy H. Armstrong

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Town Fort Saskatchewan

Province, etc Alberta

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	
21	11	43	1939-1943 Star. (20069) Atlantic Star C.V.S.M. & Clasp War Medal 1939-45	6	1	42	Passed E.T.I. R.C.N.				
				18	4	42	Qual. "TR".				
				20	1	42	Qual. A/G 2 days				

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. 91 SR 5271-7  
**DATE**

Eligible to count 296 Days Can. Army Reserve Service towards award G.S.B.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To

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

O.H.F. Received.





**P.I.B.**

V12833

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **ARMSTRONG**  
(Surname)

**George Albert**  
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V12833

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
Edmonton Div. Str.	Ord. Sea.	29	9	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41	A.A.L.G.	2	5	42			
Duty Div. Hdqts.	" "	1	10	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42	Q.R.III	31	8	42			
Naden	" "	13	1	42		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Bytown for H.M.C.S.	Nonsuch " "	21	5	42	T.L. Agric. Leave.	V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Naden	" "	26	6	42	D.R.D.												
Cornwallis	" "	20	7	42	D.R.D.												
Stadacona	" "	1	9	42	H.D.O. #B8178												
Niobe	" "	27	10	42	T.L.												
"	A/A.B.	5	11	42	Rated. 249A(19346)												
J.4234	"	6	1	43	DRD 103												
"	A.B.	5	11	42	Confirmed(249A-A19784)												
Athabaskan	" "	4	2	43													
<b>DISCHARGED</b>	" "	29	4	44	"Missing"(Casualty List) Presumed "DEAD" Casualty list Page 63												

GENERAL REMARKS

Awarded Can. Memorial Cross to:  
Mother: Mrs. Emma May Armstrong,  
Fort Saskatchewan, Alta.  
on 17-4-45.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		RELIED	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	GRON	P.	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK	
17	3	19	17	890	0	NO	2	8	11	04	9	15	0	08	95
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP OR	RANK OR RATE				
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A	BR	RANK		
29	09	41	01	10	41					9740			00894		
											CODED	CHECKED			
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M									
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.									
05	11	45	3	12	00	20	20/20/20-20/20/20								







**C. R.**  
**P. A.**  
 NAVAL TREASURY  
 DATE 12/1/45  
 INITIAL MS Sir:

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
 - Naval Service -  
 OTTAWA, Canada.

**JAN 15 1945**

(Date)

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME ARMSTRONG, George Albert RANK or RATING Able Seaman NAVAL NO. V-12833, R.C.N.V.R.

DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 29th Sept., 1941. Active Service 1 Oct., 1941.

DATE OF DISCHARGE - 29th April, 1944.

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, presumed dead, when H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN"  
 when and where any disability was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the  
 was incurred, or where death English Channel.  
 occurred.

(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. Guy W. Armstrong,

ADDRESS - Fort Saskatchewan, Alta.

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.

FORM "A" RESPECTING THE ABOVE NAMED HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE, DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE, etc.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN  
 C.R. BY ltb



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10th October, 1944.

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

I must regretfully inform you that since your son was reported missing no further information has been received of his survival or that he is a prisoner of war.

I wish to assure you, however, that the Department makes every endeavour to discover the fate of missing men and draws upon all likely sources of information about them.

In the case of men who are believed to be prisoners of war continuous efforts are made to speed up the machinery whereby their names and camp addresses can reach this country. The official means is by lists of names prepared by the enemy government. These lists take some time to compile, especially if there is a long journey from the place of capture to a prisoners of war camp. Consequently "capture cards", filled in by the prisoners themselves soon after capture and sent home to their relatives, are often the first news received in this country that a man is a prisoner of war.

Very slight hope is now held, however, that your son is a prisoner of war as the total number of names of men who are known to be prisoners from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" coincides with the number which the Germans claim to have captured from this ship.

Even if no news is received that a missing man is a prisoner of war, endeavours to trace him do not cease. Enquiries are pursued, not only among those who were serving with him, but also through diplomatic channels and the International Red Cross Committee at Geneva. The moment reliable news is obtained from any of these sources it is sent to the Department and is immediately passed on to the next of kin.

Should no information be received to the contrary your son will be presumed dead by the Canadian Naval Authorities at a later date.

May I extend my sincere sympathy in this time of anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Despatched by  
Sec. N. B.

  
Date 10/10/44  
Time 1830

A.S.

Mr. Guy W. Armstrong,  
Fort Saskatchewan,  
Alberta.

Handwritten initials and scribbles in the left margin.



Ontario, 8th June,

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

Shortly after the sinking of H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" bodies from this ship were recovered and buried along the coast of Finistere, France, at Brignogan, Plouescat, Santez and L'Aberwrach. France at the time was under German occupation and in most cases all positive means of identification were taken from the bodies by the Germans. The citizens of the above mentioned French towns looked after the burials and held funeral services.

On the cessation of hostilities the Army Graves Services, Overseas, conducted searches on the Continent in an effort to locate graves and identify bodies. Exhumation reports, dental records, etc., of casualties from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" have since been turned over to the Secretary of the Imperial War Graves Commission, Wooburn House, Wooburn Green, High Wycombe, Bucks., England, who, in turn, has forwarded them to Naval Headquarters with a view to definitely establishing the identity of bodies which were exhumed and over whose graves temporary markers have in some cases been placed.

As the dental particulars on the exhumation reports respecting your son, the late Able Seaman George Albert Armstrong, Official Number V-12833, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, correspond to those on file at Naval Headquarters, such particulars have been accepted as positive identification.

Able Seaman Armstrong's grave is located in the Plouescat Civil Cemetery, Plouescat, Finistere, France, in Plot Number 1, Row 'A', Grave Number 5. It is understood that a permanent headstone will be erected in due course by the Imperial War Graves Commission (Overseas). It is suggested that any inquiries regarding your son's grave should be addressed to the Secretary of that Commission.

Yours very truly,

  
NAVAL SECRETARY.

Despatched by  
N. Sec.

.....mg.....  
Date  
Time 19-6-5

Mr. Guy W. Armstrong,  
FORT SASKATCHEWAN, Alberta.



D OF D 29-4-44

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

# AWARDS

**Navy**

D.D.  
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

ARMSTRONG	George Albert	V-12833	A.B.	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	5571
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)



RCNVR Sept. 45 "ATHABASKAN"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON  
ENTITLED TO Mr. Guy W. Armstrong - Father

ADDRESS: FORT SASKATCHEWAN, Alberta.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS  
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS  
MOTHER Mrs. Emma M. Armstrong

ADDRESS: Fort Saskatchewan, Alta.

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

REGN. NO

320

(2)

(3)

17-4-45