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# ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME LEDOUX OFFICIAL NO. 11-4435  
CHRISTIAN NAMES Louis MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
<u>4574 Resther St., Montreal, P.Q.</u>	<u>R.C.</u>

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>13th July 1922</u>	Town <u>Montreal</u>	<u>Mother: Marie-Louise</u> <u>Same address.</u>
*Original Nationality of:	County	
	Province <u>Quebec</u>	
Father <u>Canadian</u>		
Mother <u>Canadian</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>39"</u>	<u>Blond Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Nil.</u>
Inches <u>7"</u>	Deflated <u>35"</u>				
	Mean <u>37"</u>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<u>7th Grade Commercial School.</u>	<u>Unemployed.</u>

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
<u>6th May 1941</u>	<u>Ord. Snn</u>	<u>Cartier</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.

\* (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	TO

(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.....Cartier.....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.....6th.....day of.....May 1941......

Signature of applicant.....Louis Ledoux.....

(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.....6th.....

day of.....May 1941......

Eugene Noel  
Lieutenant, RCNVR.

Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I,.....Louis Ledoux.....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.....Louis Ledoux.....

Witness.....Eugene Noel.....

Date.....6th May 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

.....Louis LEDOUX.....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.....Cartier.....Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

Eugene Noel  
Lieutenant, RCNVR.  
Attesting Officer.

.....6th May.....1941..... R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment).....Cartier......

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.



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COM-9-42 (5943)  
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*attestation*  
**COPY**

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**

*Louis LEDOUX*

**in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve**

Training Headquarters <i>Halifax</i>	R.C.N.V.R. Division <i>Cartier</i>	Official Number <i>V-4433</i>
		"
		"

Date of Birth <i>13th July, 1927</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil) <i>Mother</i>
Place of Birth <i>Montreal, P.Q.</i>	<i>Montreal</i>
Place of Residence <i>4574 Resher St. Montreal</i>	<i>Montreal</i>
Trade brought up to <i>Unemployed</i>	<i>Same address</i>
Religion <i>R.C.</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>6 Apr '41</i>	<i>6 May '41</i>	<i>Duration of Sum</i>	<i>21 Nov '43</i>			<i>Awarded Ribbon for 1939-43 Star</i>

	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>5</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>Blond</i>	<i>Brown</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



















VERIFICATION FORM

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

NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RANK/RATING ..... *A.B.* ..... OFF.NO. *V-4433* ..... ADDRESS .....

S	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>atl.</i>							ATLANTIC	1	<i>star</i>
	<i>OK</i>							FRANCE G.		
	<i>atl</i>							AFRICA		
								PACIFIC		
								BURMA		
								ITALY		
								DEFENCE		
								C.V.S.M.	2	<i>clasp</i>
								" CLASP		
								WAR 1945	1	<i>medal</i>
								WAR 1915		

*Dead 29-4-44*

VERIFIED BY *R.H.* .....

VERIFIED BY ..... DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.



V4433

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-L-916

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V4433

NAME **LEDOUX** (Surname) **Louis** (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH **12th July, 1922**PLACE OF BIRTH **Montreal, Quebec.** OCCUPATION **Unemployed**RELIGION **Roman Catholic** EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. **4574 Resther Street,** Town **Montreal,** Province, etc. **Quebec**

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
6	5	41	H.O.	5'7"	Blond	Brown	Fair	Nil.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) *Mother 12-10-42* NAME (in pencil) *Mrs Marie Louise Ledoux*ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. *4574 Resther Street* Town *Montreal* Province, etc. *Quebec*

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	1939/43 Star.(20071).								

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		
					HMCS Halifax	1	11	8	42	Sleep on watch.	28 days detention.

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED						O.H.F. received.
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.	
11	8	42		24.					

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From To





V4433

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME

LEDOUX

Louis

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V4436

(Surname)

(Given Names)

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
Cartier Div. Str.	Ord. Smn.	6	5	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41	Q.R. 111	3	11	41			
Duty Div. Hdqtrs.	" "	13	6	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Stadacona	" "	12	8	41	(Hochelaga 7.11.41.)	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
HMCS Halifax	" "	26	11	41		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Stadacona	" "	12	8	42	HDO B6883												
"	Able Smn.	13	6	42	Back dated 249A#3232												
Tribal 11	" "	28	10	42	DRD H-35												
DISCHARGED	" "	29	4	44	"Missing" per Casualty List. Presumed Dead, per Casualty List, page 66.												

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross:  
MOTHER: Mrs. Marie Louise LEDOUX,  
4574 Resther St.,  
Montreal, Que.

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.	CTY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK
12	7	22	12	RRR	0	10	X	223	02	0	04	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	
06	05	41	13	06	41					8230	0	08	94	
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M	7m. 21.			CODED	CHECKED			
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST								
13	06	42	13	12	00	21	29-01-44			A B F.O.W.				

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INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS' RECORDS

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

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

Name..... LEDOUX Louis  
 (Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating..... Able Seaman Official No. V-4433 Unit R.C.N.  
R.C.N.R.  
R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth..... Montreal, Quebec Date of Birth..... 13th July, 1922

Occupation in Civil Life..... Unemployed 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)..... from 6th May, 1941 to 29th April, 1944.

Date of Death..... 29th April, 1944 Place of Death..... Atsea

Cause of Death..... Missing, presumed dead, when H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" was  
 (If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)  
torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel.

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Nearest known relative or friend. { Name..... Mrs. Marie Louise Ledoux Relationship..... Mother  
 Address..... 4574 Resther Avenue,  
MONTREAL, Quebec.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship..... By Naval Service Headquarters: 1 May, 1944.

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.....

ENTERED IN  
 N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK  
 JAN 20 1945  
 CLERK No. 1  
 S.P.

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

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

Date..... 12 January, 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.



Ontario, 8th June, x50.

Dear Mrs. Ledoux:

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, Santec 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 by them 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 Louis Ledoux, Official Number V-4433, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, correspond to those on file at Naval Headquarters, such particulars have been accepted as positive identification.

Able Seaman Ledoux's grave is located in the Plouescat Communal Cemetery, Plouescat, Finistere, France, in Plot Number 1, Row 'B', Grave Number 23. 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 direct to the Secretary of that Commission.

Yours very truly,



NAVAL SECRETARY.

Despatched by  
N. Sec.Date 19.6.50  
Time

Mrs. Marie L. Ledoux,  
8586 St. Dominique Street,  
MONTREAL, Quebec.



Ottawa, le 18<sup>th</sup> octobre 1944

Mademoiselle,

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Pour faire suite à votre demande de renseignements du 6 octobre 1944, je regrette d'avoir à vous dire que, depuis que le matelot breveté Louis Ledoux, matricule V-4433, Réserve des volontaires de la Marine royale canadienne, a été porté disparu du navire de Sa Majesté "ATHABASKAN", aucune nouvelle n'a été reçue à l'effet qu'il soit vivant ou prisonnier de guerre.

Nous entretenons maintenant très peu d'espoir qu'il soit prisonnier de guerre, puisque le nombre total des noms de ceux qui sont connus comme étant prisonniers parmi les membres de l'équipage du "ATHABASKAN" correspond avec le nombre de ceux que les Allemands prétendent avoir capturés de ce navire.

A moins d'avis contraire, les autorités navales canadiennes présumeront, à une date ultérieure, que ce matelot est mort.

Veillez agréer, mademoiselle, mes respectueuses salutations.

Le secrétaire du Conseil naval,

Mlle Pauline Thibault,  
5285-5ième avenue,  
Rosemont,  
Montréal, P.Q.

Despatched by  
Sec. N. B.

*com*  
Date 19/10/44  
Time 1630





Department of National Defence  
Naval Service

Ottawa, Canada.

OUR FILE.....V-4433 PERS(N).....

YOUR FILE.....

FOR FRENCH TRANSLATION

16 October, 1944.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your inquiry of the 6th October, 1944, I regret to inform you that no news has been received that Louis Ledoux, Able Seaman, Official Number V-4433, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is alive or a prisoner of war since he was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" 26

Very slight hope is now held that he 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.

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

Yours very truly,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

*Muo*  
~~Mme~~. Pauline Thibault,  
5285-5th Avenue,  
Rosemount,  
MONTREAL, Que.





TRANSLATION

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Montreal, October 6, 1944.

Department of National Defence,  
Ottawa.

RE: NO. V-4433, A.B. Louis LEDOUX,  
H.M.C.S. Athabaskan,  
c/o G.P.O., London, S.W.I.,  
England.

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Sir;

I would appreciate receiving information concerning  
the m/n who is missing. *or could inquiries be made?*

Mr. Ledoux was on board destroyer " Athabaskan " which was sunk in the English Channel, at a short distance from Brest, on April 29th/ 1944. It seems that there were a great many survivors and prisoners.

As for us, we have been without news from him and several parcels and letters have been returned to us since.

I would be much obliged to get news of him as soon as possible,

Yours very truly,

( Sgd ) Pauline Thibault,  
5285- 5th Avenue,  
Rosemount,  
Montreal, P.Q.



TFH/GP

REGISTERED

AIR MAIL

N.S. V4433

*gm*

1 May, 1944

Dear Mrs. Ledoux:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 1st May, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Louis Ledoux, Able Seaman, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V4433, is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

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According to the report received from overseas, your son's loss occurred when H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 29th of April, 1944, in the English Channel. Further particulars of this Naval disaster are being published in the newspapers.

While Able Seaman Ledoux is reported as "missing", there is a possibility of his survival. It is understood that a number of the crew have been taken prisoners of war by the enemy. The Red Cross have been informed and are attempting to obtain from the German Government a list of those taken. Please be assured that as soon as any further information respecting your son has been received you will be informed.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy 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 maintain.

Yours sincerely,  
LETTER DISPATCHED BY  
PERSONNEL NAVAL  
MAY 1 1944  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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*m*

Mrs. MarieLouise Ledoux,  
4574 Resther Street,  
MONTREAL, QUEBEC.



DECEASED 29 April 1944

**NAVY 1**

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**AWARDS**

D.D.  
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

LEDOUX	Louis(Lewis)	V-4433	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	<p><i>Medals not in stock. Ref. to stock.</i></p> <p><b>CANCELLED 1344.</b></p> <p>9232. 5/7/50</p>
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)



RCNVR  
HMCS "ATHABASKAN" Nov. 45.  
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS

PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. Joseph Ledoux - Father

(1)

ADDRESS: ~~4574 Resther Street,~~ 8586 St. Dominique St.,  
Montreal, Que. Corres. on file.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

(2)

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

Mrs. M. L. Ledoux  
8586 St. Dominique Street  
MONTREAL, Que.

ADDRESS:

(Issued 19 February 1945)

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP.....

(3)

REGN. NO.....

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