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OFFICIAL No. IF KNOWN
Space to be left vacant
if not known

CONTINUOUS SERVICE ENGAGEMENT, OR RE-ENGAGEMENT

To be forwarded to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, with Form S. 59

CHRISTIAN AND SURNAME IN FULL		NAME OF NEXT OF KIN	PRESENT RATING
MAGUIRE, John Wesley		Mr. Adam E. Maguire Name..... Address..... Evansburg, Alta.	Prob. Steward
DATE OF BIRTH*	PLACE OF BIRTH†		NAME, RANK AND STATION OF RECRUITING OFFICER
6th Feb. 1919	Town..... Clymont	County.....	H.M. Colter
	Province..... Alberta		Lieut. R.C.N.V.R.
			EDMONTON DIVISION

Personal Description at the Date of this Document

Height	Chest	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	WOUNDS, SCARS OR MARKS	Religious Denomination	TRADE OR OCCUPATION
5 - 9½	35	Brown	Gray Brown	Medium	Hernia operation scar. Appendectomy scar.	United Church	Farming

Commencing date of Engagement or Re-engagement	15th July 1941	Period of Engagement or Re-engagement	7 years
Date of actually volunteering to engage or re-engage	1st March 1941	Date of entering present ship	

Particulars of former Continuous Service Engagements, if any, but, if none, and the person engaging has had previous Service, the date of his First Entry should be given. If the person has not previously served, write the words "First Entry" here.

First Entry

If an Engagement is ante-dated for any period, the man's services for such period should be forwarded in to office, with the Engagement, on Form S.—1243.

Declaration of Entry or Re-Entry from Shore for Continuous Service

The following questions are to be put by the Commanding Officer to the person about to engage for Continuous Service, whose answers are to be recorded hereon:—

- Are the particulars given above of your name and date and place of birth correct? **Yes**
- Are you a British subject? **Yes**
- Nationality of Parents—Father **Canadian** Mother **Canadian**
- Have you ever served in the Navy, Royal Fleet Reserve, Royal Naval Reserve, Army, Army Reserve, Marines, Militia, Volunteers (Naval or Military), Territorial Force, or in His Majesty's Indian or Colonial Military Forces, or in the R.C. Mounted Police? **Yes in the N.P.A.M.**
- Do you now belong to the Militia, Volunteers (Naval or Military), Territorial Force or any Regiment or Corps in His Majesty's Army, or to any established Naval or Army Reserve Force, or to the R.C. Mounted Police? **Yes. The N.P.A.M.**
- Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service, or discharged from it on that account? If so, state reason of rejection or discharge, and date. **No**
- Have you ever been discharged from the Navy, Marines, Army, or R.C. Mounted Police on account of misconduct? **No**
- Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated? **Yes**
- Can you swim? **No**

* When evidence of age is obtained on First Entry, it should be attached to this Form.

† Foreigners are not to be entered. On the entry of a person born out of the British Empire, it should be ascertained that he is (and in the case of a boy, that his father is) a British Subject, and evidence of the fact should be attached to the "Entry Papers."

‡ Particulars of service in the Army, Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marines, Militia, or H.M. Indian or Colonial Military Forces, or in the Merchant Service should be forwarded in to office with this Engagement. If a member of the Royal Fleet Reserve, the man's Registrar is to be immediately informed of his entry (Royal Fleet Reserve Instructions). If an R.N.R. man, state number of R.V.2.

(OVER)

I.—Declaration and Certificate for Men newly entered and Men who have been out of the Service since the expiration of the previous C. S. Engagement

I, MAGUIRE, John Wesley, do solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the questions overleaf are true, and I do hereby agree to serve honestly and faithfully in the Naval Service of Canada* Seven Years from† 15th July 19 41, provided my service should be so long required. And I do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty. As witness my hand this 15 day of July 19 41

Witness to Signature..... John Wesley Maguire Man's Signature in full

Attested before me this 15 day of July 19 41
 C. Masse Signature of a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service

Date..... 15th July 19 41

This is to certify that we have examined the person named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for the Naval Service of Canada, and we find as follows:—He is of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, free from all physical malformation, active and intelligent; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

..... C. Masse Commanding Officer
 R. B. McTearie Medical Officer

II.—Certificate and Declaration for Boys

Date..... 19

This is to certify that we have examined the boy named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for the Naval Service of Canada, and we find as follows:—He is a well grown, stout, intelligent lad, of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, and free from all physical malformation, and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

The consent of his parents or guardian has been obtained in writing, and they are willing and desirous that the boy should be entered for..... years' continuous and general service from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till he attains that age.

..... Commanding Officer
 Lieutenant
 Medical Officer

I declare that to the best of my knowledge or belief the answers to the questions on the other side of this form are true and that I am not indentured as an apprentice.

I am willing to enter and serve in the Naval Service of Canada for..... years' continuous and general service from the age of 18, provided my service should be so long required, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till I attain that age. And I do sincerely promise and swear, (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

..... Boy's Signature in full
 Witness to Signature.....

Attested before me this..... day of..... 19.....
 {Signature of a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service

III.—Re-engagement for Continuous Service

To be executed by men who have not been out of the Service since the expiration of their first engagement

The particulars indicated on the other side are also required when this Form is used.

I,....., now serving as a..... on board H.M.C.S....., who on the..... of..... 19.....

engaged to serve in the Naval Service of Canada for a period of §..... years, do hereby engage to serve for a further period**..... from††..... 19..... provided my services should be so long required.

..... Man's Signature in full
 19.....

Witness..... Commanding Officer

* Insert "for the term of (number in words) years," or "to complete (number) years for pension" or "until I attain the age of years."
 † Insert the date from which the engagement commences.
 ‡ The document conveying the consent to be attached to this paper. (N.B.—Not required in the case of youths over 17 years of age.)
 § To be written in words.
 ** Insert as follows: "Of (number) years," or "to complete time for pension," or "until I attain the age of years," as the case may be.
 †† Insert the date of commencement of the re-engagement, which must either be coincident with, or (when the re-engagement is ante-dated) earlier than the date of execution.

If a copy of this Form is required, Form C.N.S. 1243 is to be used

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

John Wesley MAGUIRE

IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

CENS # 863

<i>Esquimalt</i>	Official Number... <i>40911</i>
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Date of birth <i>6 February, 1919.</i>	Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil)
Where born { Province <i>Alberta</i>	Name: <i>Ida</i> <i>15/11/13</i>
{ Town or county <i>Glymont</i>	Relationship: <i>Mother</i>
Trade brought up to <i>Farming</i>	Address: <i>Evansburg</i>
Religious denomination <i>United Church</i>	<i>Alberta</i>
Date passed swimming test	
Man's signature on discharge to pension }	

All Engagements, including N.C.S., to be noted in these Columns

Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for	Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for
<i>1. 15 July 41</i>	<i>15 July 41</i>	<i>Seven Years</i>	<i>5.</i>	<i>///</i>	
<i>2.</i>			<i>6.</i>		
<i>3.</i>			<i>7.</i>		
<i>4.</i>			<i>8.</i>		

Medals, Clasps, Etc.

Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration	Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration

Description of Person	Stature		Chest, In.	Colour of			Marks, Wounds and Scars
	Feet	In.		Hair	Eyes	Complexion	
On entry as a boy.....							
On advancement to man's rating or on entry under 28 years.....	<i>5</i>	<i>9 1/4</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Grey</i> <i>Brown</i>	<i>Med.</i>	<i>Appendectomy scar</i> <i>Hernia operation scar.</i>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary.....							

40911

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

N-40911

OFFICIAL NUMBER 40911

NAME

MAGUIRE
(Surname)John Wesley.
(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH

6th February, 1919.

PLACE OF BIRTH

Clymont, Alta.

OCCUPATION

Farming.

RELIGION

United Church

EDUCATION

Grade VIII.

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

Town

Evansburg

Province, etc.

Alta.

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
15	7	41	Seven Years.	5' 9 1/4"	Brn.	G. Brn.	Medium.	Hernia operation scar. Appendectomy scar.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

Father

3/1/0/41

NAME (in pencil)

Mr. Adam E. Maguire

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Town

Evansburg

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	
			C.V.S.M. (Ribbon & Clasp)	17	10	41	Qual. A/G. 2 days.				
				9	7	43	Granted Aux. W/K Cert.				
				11	10	43	Qual. Sto. 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		

FILM
NO. *W.S.R. 5043-6*
DATE

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

O.H.F. Received.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



40911

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **MAGUIRE**
(Surname)

John Wesley
(Given Names)

P.I.B.
OFFICIAL NUMBER 40911

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Re-Q uified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
DHQ.Edmonton.	Prob.Stwd.	15	7	41		V.G.	Mod.	31	12	41							
Naden	"	15	10	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
"	Sto.2/c.	5	2	42	Transferred.	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Stadacona	"	9	6	42		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Quinte	"	16	6	42													
Stadacona	"	29	7	42													
Nonsuch	"	1	8	42													
"	"	5	8	42	Divisional Strength.												
"	"	5	10	42	Active Service.												
Stadacona	"	6	10	42													
Annapolis.	"	18	10	42													
"	Sto.1/c.	5	1	43													
Stadacona	"	5	7	43													
Niobe	"	7	12	43													
"	A/Ldg.Sto.(Ty)	15	1	44													
Athabaskan	"	18	4	44													
DISCHARGED	"	29	4	44	Missing, Presumed Dead												

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross issued to Mother: Mrs. Ida Maguire, Evansburg, Alta. 19.2.45.

Service Certificate checked on discharge.

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(Information compiled from records in Naval Service Headquarters)

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, Ont.

Name..... MAGUIRE John Wesley
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating..... Leading Stoker..... Official No. 40911..... Unit { R.C.N.
R.C.N.R.
R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth..... Clymont, Alta...... Date of Birth..... 6th Feb., 1919

Occupation in Civil Life..... Farming..... Religion..... United

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 15th July, 1941 to 29th April, 1944

Date of Death..... 29th April, 1944..... Place of Death..... At Sea.

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

Nearest known relative or friend. { Name..... Mrs. Ida Maguire..... Relationship..... Mother
Address..... EVANSBURG, Alta.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship..... 16th June, 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
D.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK
JAN 19 1945
CLERK No. m.m.o.

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

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

Date..... 12 Jan., 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.

IDA MAGUIRE,
EVANSBURG, ALTA

DRAFTED BY NPR PER L.A.

27-40911

GNP
CSOR

THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES
DEEPLY REGRETS TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON JOHN WESLEY
MAGUIRE LEADING STOKER OFFICIAL NO 40911 IS MISSING
FROM HMCS "ATHABASKAN". LETTER FOLLOWS.

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L/T

P/L

18/6/44

EB

4182

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

C.R. BY *J*

S. 1320b.
100M Pads of 200
4-41-(243-6)
N.S. 815-9-1320B

NAVAL MESSAGE

For use in
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only

C O P Y

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Originators Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
Intercept Group, etc.)

No. of
Groups:

TO:

NSHQ

FROM:

NONSUCH

Write Across						
	PARENTS ANXIOUS AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF	J W MAGUIRE	L/STO			5
	V40911 LAST KNOWN ABOARD ATHABASKAN BUT NOT INCLUDED IN					10
	ANY SURVIVOR OR MISSING LIST					15
				061830Z		20
						25
	L/T	P/L	TOR061948Z/5/44	NM	5921	30
						35
						40
						45
						50

System

P/L Code or Cypher

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Operator

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Receipt

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Write Across					
	REPORTED FROM S.C.N.O. (L) THAT JOHN WESLEY MAGUIRE LDG.				5
	STOKER O.N. 40911 R.C.N. DID NOT REPORT ONBOARD AND IS NOT				10
	KNOWN TO SURVIVORS.				15
	YOUR 061830 REFERS.				20
				071736Z	25
	RE: PARENTS ANXIOUS AS TO WHEREABOUTS OF J.MAC MAGUIRE				30
	LAST KNOWN ABOARD ATHABASKAN BUT NOT ON ANY SURVIVOR OR				35
	MISSING LISTS				40
	PASSED TO NONSUCH AT 071810Z				45
L/T	P/L	7/5/44		NM 2051	50

System

P/L Code or Cypher

Time of

Operator

Date

Receipt

Despatch

Handwritten initials in red ink.

16 June, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Maguire:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 16th of June, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, John Wesley Maguire, Leading Stoker, Official Number 40911, Royal Canadian Navy, is missing from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN".

Since you were informed by the Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. "NONSUCH" that your son was not onboard H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN", a very thorough investigation was again made, and it has now been established that he was onboard the ill-fated ship and must be considered as missing. This information was received in a report from overseas simultaneously to receiving your letter of the 5th of June, 1944.

As it is understood that a number of the crew of H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" have been taken prisoners of war by the enemy, there is a possibility of your son's survival. Every effort is being made to obtain, as soon as possible, a list of those taken. Please be assured that when any further information has been received, you will be informed immediately.

Although you have probably learned at this late date from the newspaper accounts, particulars of the sinking of your son's ship, the following details are forwarded for your information. H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel on the 29th of April, 1944. At the present time fifteen Officers and one hundred and ninety-six Royal Canadian Naval ratings are reported as missing. There were also a number of survivors landed in the United Kingdom.

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 to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Ida Maguire,
Evansburg, Alta.

Handwritten signature

Handwritten initials and scribbles

Handwritten signature
PAY LIEUTENANT
H. B. MONEY
COM. SER-INV
NAVAL PERSONNEL

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

Handwritten signature
Date 17/6/44
Time 1300

10 October, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Maguire:

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,

[Signature]
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Ida Maguire,
EVANSBURG, Alta.

Date 10/10
Time 11:30

DECEASED 29 April 1944

(NAVY)

D.D.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

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MAGUIRE John Wesley		N-40911	L/Sto...	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,	7566
Atlantic Star,	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp,	
War Medal.	

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(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

DECEASED 29 April 1944

(NAVY)

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