

ATTESTATION FORM

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME SHELLEYOFFICIAL No. 13261CHRISTIAN NAMES Ralph ThomasMARRIED, SINGLE or WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
1115 - 11th Avenue West Calgary Alberta.		Presbyterian
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
17th July 1919	Town Calgary, Alberta County Province	Father: John Thomas Shelley 1115 - 11th Avenue West, Calgary, Alberta.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <u>5</u>	Inflated <u>36</u>	Brown	Blue	Fresh	Scar back left hand.
Inches <u>6</u>	Deflated <u>33</u>				
	Mean <u>34</u>				

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
June 20th 1938	Ord. Sea.	Deliveryman: Cannought Grocery Calgary, Alberta.

(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 Sea Cadets for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

¶ Cross out Clause not applicable.

SEVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
Calgary Sea Cadets	Cadet P.O.	15th April 1935	1st April 1938.

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 Company 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.

Dated this 20th day of June 1938

Signature of applicant

Ralph Thomas Shelley

(C) CERTIFICATE OF COMPANY COMMANDING 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 20th day of June 1938

Signature of C. C. O.

R. Jackson

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Ralph Thomas Shelley, do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty.

Signature of Applicant

Ralph Thomas Shelley

Witness

R. Jackson

Date 20th June 1938

Rank

Lieutenant

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF COMPANY COMMANDING OFFICER

Ralph Thomas Shelley, 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 Company of the R.C.N.V.R.

Company Commanding Officer.

R. Jackson

NOTE—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Company 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.

NAME SHELLEY (Surname) Ralph Thomas (Given Names) OFFICIAL NUMBER V13261 FILE NUMBER 113-S-410 DATE OF BIRTH 17 July, 1919 OFFICIAL NUMBER V13261

PLACE OF BIRTH Calgary, Alta. RELIGION Presbyterian EDUCATION _____ OCCUPATION Deliveryman

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 1115 - 11th Ave. West Town Calgary Province, etc. Alta.

Date (in figures)				Period	DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE		
Day	Month	Year	3 yrs.		Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates
20	6	38			5'6"	Brown	Blue	Fresh	Scar Back of left hand.			From

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Wife NAME (in pencil) Mrs Lorraine Shelley
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 1106 11th Ave West Town Calgary Province, etc. Alta.

Date (in figures)				Particulars	EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.							
Day	Month	Year	Particulars		Date (in figures)	Particulars	Particulars	Particulars				
					25	8	39	Passed Prof. for Able Smn.				

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. WAR 5397-1
DATE

Date (in figures)				DAYS FORFEITED				
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W. S. G.
 APPLICATION
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V13261

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **SHELLEY**
(Surname)

Ralph Thomas
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER V13261

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
Div. Str. Calgary	Ord. Smn.	20	6	38							S.D.	29	6	40			
Naden	" "	30	7	38	to 14-8-38 Tr.	V.G.	Sat.										
Naden	Ord. Smn.	12	8	39	to 24-9-39 Tr.												
"	Able Smn.	25	8	39	to 31-8-39 Tr.												
Naden (Nootka)	" "	1	9	39	Active Service												
Venture (Nootka)	" "	1	4	40													
Stadacona	" "	30	5	40													
French	" "	27	7	40													
Stadacona	" "	5	9	40													
Vison	" "	28	9	40													
DISCHARGED	" "	21	12	40	"Dead" Lost Overboard												

GENERAL REMARKS

Memorial Cross sent to: Wife:
Mrs. L. Shelley
1106 - 14th St. West
Calgary, Alta.
and Mother:
Mrs. Ellen Shelley
1115 - 11th Ave. West
Calgary, Alta.

DATE OF BIRTH	CIVIL	OCCUP.	REL.MED.	PERM. RESIDENCY	SNL	RANK OR RATE
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OFFICIAL COPY

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S. 1320D
10 MIL. 5-40 (5005)
N.S. 815-9-1320D

NAVAL MESSAGE

NB. 113-8-410

To:

From:

H.M.C.S. "PRINCE ROBERT"

N.S.H.Q. OTTAWA

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YOUR 1123/7 REQUEST TO CONFIRM THAT ABLE
SEAMAN RALPH THOMAS SHELLEY WAS LOST OVERBOARD FROM
H.M.C.S. "VISION" 21ST DECEMBER 1940.

1143/9

W/T CODE REC'D SDO MW 9.2.41. 1314
1247/9

Hobbes
NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 1320D
10 MH. 5-48 (5005)
N.S. 815-9-1320D

To: N.S.H.Q. OTTAWA

From: "PRINCE ROBERT"

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A.B. SHELLEY IN "PRINCE ROBERT" HAS REQUESTED
INFORMATION REGARDING BROTHER RALPH THOMAS SHELLEY A.B. H.M.S.
"LACHERON" RECENTLY LOST. REQUEST INFORMATION BY W/T.

1123/7

PRELIM. COPY TO D.N.P. AT 1755/8

L/T G.T.C. (R) REC'D S.D.O. GM 2/2/41 2635
1742/8

I, the undersigned, have examined Shelley, Ralph Thomas
 candidate for entry as _____
 and I believe him to be in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service. He has signed the Certificate
 given below in my presence.

Dated at Calgary, Alta. the 20 of June 1938

[Signature]
 Examining Medical Officer
 (Rank) _____

This examination has been made in accordance with the Instructions for Recruiting.

Age (Years Months)	Weight without Clothes (lb.)	Height with Bare Feet (ft. ins.)	General Development (S)	Chest Girth (inches)	Vision by— (a) Snellen's Types (b) Colour Vision	Vaccinated or re- vaccinated for Small Pox (Date)	Lungs, Heart, etc.	Abdomen Hernia, etc. (C)	Limbs and Joints	Skin	Ears and Hearing	Testes, Varicocele, etc. (E)	Mouth, Throat (Under- gum and No. of teeth, if any), Nose, Throat, etc. (F)	Arms, Hemorrhoids, etc. (G)
18-11	128	5' 6"	GOOD	inches maximum 31" minimum 33" chest 34"	right eye 20 20 left eye 20 20 colour vision N	N YES 1927	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY THE CANDIDATE

I hereby certify that to the best of my belief I have never suffered from Fits, *Incontinence of Urine, Discharge from the Ears, or any other disease likely to render me unfit for His Majesty's Service. I am willing to undergo, after entry, such dental treatment as may be authorized.

R T Shelley
 Signature of Candidate

When a Candidate is passed, notwithstanding a slight defect or disability, the following Certificate is to be filled up

This Candidate is the subject of _____

not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

Examining Medical Officer

(Rank) _____

*The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.

N = NORMAL

Province of Birth Alberta Date of Birth 17th July, 1919
Occupation in Civil Life Deliveryman Religion Presbyterian
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) 1 year - 3 mos.
Date of Death 21 December, 1940 Place of Death At Sea
Cause of Death Lost overboard from H.M.C.S. WISON
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Nearest known relative or friend. Name Mrs. Lorraine Shelley Relationship Wife
Address 15 Sinclair Street
Dartmouth, N. S.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship 25th December, 1940
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

Place of Burial (if known) Date of Burial (if known)
Location, Number, etc., of grave (if known)
Undertaker employed (if any)
If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalided

W. J. McCreary
Commanding Officer,

27th December 1940

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

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.

C.N.S. 1121
15M-7-40 (3840)
N.S. 815-0-1121

V13261
SHELLEY

My wife's effects.

PERSONAL EFFECTS OF R.T. SHELLEY, A.B., C.N. V-13261, R.C.N.V.R.

- Handkerchiefs, souvenir of Panama 3.
- Cover, cushion. 1.
- Shawl, souvenir of Panama 1.
- Watch (Broken), with leather strap. 1.
- Camera, Kodak, A.116. 1.
- Fountain Pen 1.
- Marriage Certificate 1.
- Photo. 1.
- Letters, personal packet 1.
- Box, Ditty 1.
- Towels, Turkish 5.
- Shirts, polo 2.
- Razor, Rolls 1.
- Toilet set complete in leather case (name engraved.) 1.
- Seamanship Manual, Vol. I. 1.
- Elementary Book of Electricity 1.

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ACCOUNTANT OFFICER
CORRESPONDENCE OFFICE
(2)
JUL 15 1941
R. C. N. BARRACKS
HALIFAX, N.S.

Receipt of the above effects is acknowledged by the under-
signed.

Mrs. Terrance Shelley.

Please return this form to: The Accountant Officer (Pay Div.)
R.C.N. Barracks
Halifax, N. S.

	5	6	Fresh.	Brown	Blue.	Scar
On Entry						
On attaining 28 years						
Further Description if neces- sary						

and.

Date of Birth 17th July, 1919.

Place of Birth Calgary, Alta.

Usual Place of Residence 15 Sinclair St. Dartmouth, N.S.

Trade brought up to Deliveryman.

Name and Address of next of Kin Mrs Lorraine Shelley (Wife)

Religious Denomination Presbyterian.

Can Swim _____

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE

Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enlistment	Period Volunteered for	Rank on Enlistment	Medals, Decorations, Etc.	
				Date Received	Nature of Decoration
1 May/38.	20 June/38.	3 yrs.	Ord. Smn.		

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION

	Height		Complexion	Hair	Eyes	Marks, Wounds, Scars
	Feet	Inches				
On Entry	5	6	Fresh.	Brown	Blue.	Scar back left hand.
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Further Description if necessary						

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ER THAN THOSE ENTERED ON G. AND T. HISTORY SHEET

DATE	DATE	PARTICULARS	CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE	DATE	PARTICULARS	CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE
	5.8.39	Panicked out of B.	<i>[Signature]</i>			
	Mich 40	supplied 9/8 apt	<i>[Signature]</i>			
	19 June 40	Went & Rated S.O.	<i>[Signature]</i>			

Venture (truck)
 — — — 27 July '40 4 Sep '40
Madrasa
 — — — 5 Sep '40 27 Sep '40
Venture (truck)
 — — — 28 Sep '40 21 Dec '40

"D.O."
 V.G. Supp. *McPherson*

GOOD CONDUCT BADGES			SERVICE BADGES		SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT		THIS FORECAST			
Date	1st, 2nd, 3rd	GRANTED, DEPRIVED, REWARDED	Date	NUMBER	From	To	From	P.D.G. C.P. W.T.	Days	To
<i>1 Aug 40</i>			<i>20 July 40</i>							

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French 27-9-40 4-9-40 40 all.
 Mason 28-9-40 21-12-40 17 all.

Discharged "Dead"

Today 21-12-40

DIP. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

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No. H-5578-195

N 112-12410
CANADA

Department of National Defence
Naval Service

27th May 1941

P 61995

FROM: The Accountant Officer (Pay Division)
H.M.C.S. "Stadacona"
Halifax, N. S.

TO : The Director of Naval Appropriations
Department of National Defence
Naval Service
Ottawa, Ontario

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT
RALPH THOMAS SHELLEY, EX ABLE SEAMAN, O.N. V-12261

In compliance with your 1625z/23, enclosed is the Report of the Committee of Adjustment for the above named rating, lost overboard from H.M.C.S. "Vison" on the 21st December, 1940.

2. Many of the particulars relative to this report were obtained from first hand knowledge supplied by the Coxswain of H.M.C.S. "Vison". This rating states that from common knowledge on the ship Able Seaman Shelley carried all his money in his money belt which was lost along with the rating.

3. Attached for further information is a list of personal effects belonging to the late R. T. Shelley, Able Seaman.

Shelley's Eff.



[Handwritten Signature]

Paymaster Lieut. Commander, R.C.N.V.R.
ACCOUNTANT OFFICER (Pay Division)

Enc. 2
MB


29th March, 1941. FD

Sirs:

With reference to your letter CC-3-S-17 of the 24th March, 1941, (Policy No. 176757) I am directed to advise you that Ralph T. Shelley, late Able Seaman, R.C.N.V.R., O.N. V-13261, was lost overboard on the 21st December, 1940.

He was lost on the high seas, well beyond the three-mile limit, en route to Bermuda.

Yours truly,


(J.C. Cossette)
NAVAL SECRETARY.

Actuarial Department
The Excelsior Life Insurance Co.,
Head Office,
TORONTO, Ontario.

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FROM... THE COMMANDER IN CHARGE, H.M.C. DOCKYARD, HALIFAX, N. S.

DATE... 27TH DECEMBER, 1940.

FILE... CC 3-S-17

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TO..... THE NAVAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
OTTAWA.

NATIONAL DEFENCE

DEC 30 1940

ALLOWANCE TO DEPENDENTS OF CASUALTIES

NO. 1135-410
CANADA

8.11.P. 28/12

Submitted for the consideration of the Department with reference to my 1526/26 December, 1940, that information is desired whether any action can be taken by Headquarters under C.N.R. article 383, paragraph 1, (2) in respect to Mrs. L. Shelley, the widow of the late Ralph T. Shelley, Able Seaman, R.C.N.V.R., O.N. V. 13621, lost overboard from H.M.C.S. VISON on 21st December, 1940.

2. This rating's widow, aged 18, is practically without funds, the rating having been married on 11 January, 1940, being under age to qualify for marriage allowance. A monthly allotment in the sum of \$40.00 in favour of Mrs. Shelley has not yet been received by her, and is the subject of my 1527/27 December. This rating's ledger balance to date 31 December, 1940, is \$1.66 in debt.

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could allotment
be continued under
circumstances?
J.H.*

*W.P.P.
This case has been referred
to C.P.C. this person
has suggested for case
J.H.*

W.B. Greery
(W. B. Greery)
COMMANDER, R.C.N.
COMMANDER IN CHARGE

*Referred to C.P.C. 28 Dec. 1940 - no decision on this matter
can be expected at this early date.
J.H. 2-1940*

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

(NAVAL SERVICE)

3 July, 1940.

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FROM: The Commanding Officer,
H.M.C.S. "STADACONA",
Halifax, Nova Scotia,

TO : The Naval Secretary,
Dept. of National Defence,
Ottawa, Ontario.

RECEIVED
JULY 5 1940
113-8-410

Qualified & Rated Submarine Detectors

Submitted for the consideration of the Department, the following ratings have qualified and been rated Submarine Detector to date, Saturday, 29 June, 1940.

COPLEY William C.	A.B.	A819	R.C.N.R.
HARNETT John S.	A.B.	3256	R.C.N.
COURT E. D.	A.B.	3246	R.C.N.
DAVIS R. S.	A.B.	3247	R.C.N.
WATSON John	A.B.	V8237	R.C.N.V.R.
Buckley Andrew	A.B.	V5454	R.C.N.V.R.
SHELLY Ralph T.	A.B.	V13261	R.C.N.V.R.
SMITH Sidney G.	A.B.	V13230	R.C.N.V.R.
BLADES William A.	A.B.	V16003	R.C.N.V.R.

(sgd) J. C. I. Edward
COMMANDER, R. C. N.

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Department of National Defence
(NAVAL SERVICE)

Ottawa, Canada.

July 4, 1936. 4

From: The Director of Naval Reserves,
Naval Service Headquarters.

To: The Commanding Officer,
Calgary Division, R.C.N.V.R.,
2nd Street E. & 10th Ave.,
Calgary, Alberta.

The enrolment of the undermentioned
rating in the R.C.N.V.R., for duty with the
Division, is approved:

NAME	RATING	O.N.	DATE
BAIRD, Rodney, H.	Bugler	13258	June 20, 1936.
HANCOCK, Fredk. E.	Ord. Sec.	13259	June 20, 1936.
MILLER, Thomas, W.	Ord. Sec.	13260	June 20, 1936.
SHIELLY, Ralph, T.	Ord. Sec.	13261	June 20, 1936.
FURBUSH, Fredk. R.	Ord. Sec.	13262	June 20, 1936.
JARVIS, Ralph, C.	Ord. Sec.	13263	June 20, 1936.

E. R. Mainguy
(E. R. MAINGUY),
Commander R.C.N.,
Director of Naval Reserves.

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL
RCNVR July 41

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Harron
Mrs. Loraine E. ~~Shelley~~ - Widow

ADDRESS: ~~1335 - 14th Avenue, West,~~ 2579 Prior St.,
~~Calgary, Alta.~~ VICTORIA, B.C.

*Hold pending
application 16-6-50.*
(1)

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW Mrs. Lorraine Shelley

ADDRESS: 1106 - 14th St. West, Calgary, Alta.

(2) 23-5-41

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. Ellen Shelley

ADDRESS: 1115 - 11th Avenue, W., Calgary, Alta.

(3) 21-7-41

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

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AWARDS NAVY

D.D.

SHELLEY	Ralph Thomas	V-13261	A.B.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT


WAR SERVICEBADGE

(CLASS)

No. Nil

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	<i>MEDALS RET'D. UNDISPATCHED</i> CANCELLED <i>RET'D TO STOCK.</i>
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	
	03-66120 M  P

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)