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# ATTESTATION FORM

## FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME VEINOTTE OFFICIAL NO. V25606

CHRISTIAN NAMES Joseph Victor Wilkins MARRIED, SINGLE or WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
<u>Ecum Secum, Guys Co., N. S.</u>		<u>C. of E.</u>
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>24th May, 1916</u>	Town <u>Ecum Secum,</u> County <u>Guysboro.</u> Province <u>N. S.</u>	<u>Mrs. Florence Veinotte, (Mother)</u> <u>Ecum Secum,</u> <u>Guys Co., N. S.</u>

### PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet..... <u>5</u>	Inflated.....	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Nil.</u>
Inches..... <u>9</u>	Deflated.....				
Mean.....	<u>35</u>				
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY			
<u>8th August, 1940</u>	<u>Vict. Prob.</u> <u>(Temp)</u>	<u>Clerk: Grocery Store run by father</u> <u>in Ecum Secum.</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.

\* ~~X~~ 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
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- (c) I have never been rejected 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 Special Service Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for three consecutive years, and/or 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.

Dated this 8th day of August, 1940

Signature of applicant Joseph Victor Wilkins Veinotte

(C) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL 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 8th day of August, 1940

C. Stone  
Signature of Commanding Officer.  
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Joseph Victor Wilkins Veinotte 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 Joseph Victor Wilkins Veinotte  
Witness C. Stone

Date 8th August, 1940 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 DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER

Joseph Victor Wilkins Veinotte 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 Special Service Division of the R.C.N.V.R.

COMMANDER, R.C.N.  
Commanding Officer.

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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### CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

*VEINOTTE. Joseph Victor Wilkins*

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number.....
	<i>HALIFAX - Nova Scotia</i>	<i>✓ 25606</i>
		"
		"

Date of Birth..... *24 May 1916*

Place of Birth..... *Essex, Guyana County, N.S.*

Place of Residence..... *Essex, Nova Scotia*

Trade brought up to..... *Clerk*

Religion..... *Church of England*

Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend  
*Anna Marie*  
*wife*  
*Guyana County*

Can Swim:—P.P.T. ( ) Date..... 19..... Signature.....

P.S.T. ( ) Date..... 19..... Signature.....

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
	<i>8 Aug 40</i>	<i>Decorated for Merit</i>		<i>21 Nov 1943</i>		<i>Awarded Ribbon for 1939-43 Ser.</i>

	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>5</i>	<i>9</i>			<i>Brown</i>	<i>Blue</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





Name Joseph V. W. VEINOTTE

Conduct

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT  
(Inclusive Dates)

CHARACTER, ABILITY IN RATING ON COMPLETION OF TRAINING, DISCHARGE FROM THE SERVICE, AND ANNUALLY, 31st DECEMBER, WHILE MOBILIZED

From	To	Character	Efficiency in Rating Noting Substantive Rating in Brackets	Date	Captain's Signature
		V.G.	Sat. (V.A.)	31 Dec '40	W.B. Gray
		V.G.	Sat. (V.A.)	31 Dec '41	H. Adams
		V.G.	Sat. (U.S.A. 2y)	31 Dec '42	H. Ringelby
		V.G.	Sat. (Sy. P.O.)	31 Dec '43	E. Brock
		V.G.	Sat. (Sy. P.O.)	29 April '44	H. H. M. M. M.

R.C.N.V.R.  
GOOD CONDUCT AND GOOD SERVICE BADGES

Date	G.S.B. or G.C.B.	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Granted, Deprived, Restored
8 Aug '43	H.C.B.	1st	Granted

TIME FORFEITED

Date	P., D.C., C.P., or W.T.	No. of Days	
		Awarded	Served

V25606

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-V-90

OFFICIAL NUMBER V25606

NAME VEINOTTE (Surname) Joseph Victor Wilkins (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 24 May 1916PLACE OF BIRTH Ecum, Secum, Guysboro, N.S. OCCUPATION ClerkRELIGION Church of England EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. Ecum Secum Town Guys Co. Province, etc. N.S.

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
8	8	40	H.O.	5'9"	Brown	Brown	Fair	Nil.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Wife NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Emma May VeinotteADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. St. John's St. Town Guysboro, N.S. Province, etc. N.S.

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	Awarded 1939-43 Star.	18	11	41	Passed Prof. for Leading V.A.				
				17	5	43	Passed Prof. Supply P.O. (Rest on file)				

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			
8	8	43	1st GCB	Granted								

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

Last Will & Testament Dated 21-7-42 Received.  
Last Will and Testament numbered 14383 received.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



V25606 OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME VEINOTTE  
(Surname)

Joseph Victor Wilkins  
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER V25606

P.I.B.

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
Stadacona	V.A. Prob.	8	8	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	40							
Venture	" "	27	11	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41							
Stadacona	" "	18	7	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
"	V.A.	7	11	40	Back Dated.	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
"	Idg. V.A.	1	12	41		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
"	Idg. S.A.	1	3	42													
Niobe (Tribal 2)	"	5	11	42	Passage "Orillia" for Avalon.												
"	"				Passage "Monkshood" for Niobe.												
Athabaskan	"	29	11	42	SI61-#218853)												
"	Supply P.O.	1	6	43	RATED (2/9A, #19885)												
DISCHARGED	" " "	29	4	44	"Missing" Casualty List.												

"Presumed Dead" Per Cas. List. P#70

GENERAL REMARKS

To R.C.N. Hosp. 29-11-41 to 2-12-41  
 AWARDED CANADIAN MEMORIAL CROSS to:  
 Wife: Mrs. Irma May Veinotte,  
 Marie Joseph,  
 Guysboro Co., N.S.  
 March 6, 1945

AWARDED CANADIAN MEMORIAL CROSS to:  
 Mother: Mrs. D.K. Veinotte,  
 Ecum Secum,  
 Guysboro Co., N.S.  
 March 17, 1945.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE		CIVIL		OCCU.		RELI-ED		PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.		RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	GRON	P.	CTY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK				
27	5	16	14	930	0	30X	2	07	00	0	19	0	77	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					
08	08	40	08	08	40					0230	0	22	92					
SENIORITY			STR.		NON-SUB		M		CODED			CHECKED						
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.												
01	06	43	13	00	00	20	29500-41			M.P.								





VERIFICATION FORM

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

NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RANK/RATING *Victor* P.O. *Supply* OFF. NO. *V-75606* ADDRESS .....

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	/	star
							ATLANTIC	/	star
<i>UK</i>							FRANCE G.		
<i>ad.</i>							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
<i>ad 29-4-44</i>							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.		<i>27 clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	/	medal
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *PL* .....

TFH/MD

REGISTERED  
AIR MAIL  
N.S. V25606 PERS.(N)

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1 May, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Veinotte:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 1st of May, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your husband, Joseph Victor Wilkins Veinotte, Supply Petty Officer, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V-25606, is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

According to the report received from overseas, your husband'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 Supply Petty Officer Veinotte 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 husband 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 husband has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

*[Signature]*  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Irma May Veinotte,  
MARIE JOSEPH,  
Guysboro Co., N.S.

MAILED  
MAY 1 1944  
RECEIVED BY  
NAVAL BOARD  
*[Initials]*

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

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REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, at OTTAWA, Ont.

Name VEINOTTE Joseph Victor Wilkins (Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Supply Petty Officer Official No. V-25606 Unit R.C.N. R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Beum Secum, Guys Co., N.S. Date of Birth 24th May, 1916

Occupation in Civil Life Clerk Religion Church of England

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 8th August, 1940 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.

Nearest known relative or friend: Name Mrs. Irma May Veinotte Relationship Wife Address MARIE JOSEPH, Guysboro Co., N.S.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship 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 A.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK JAN 20 1945 G.P. CLERK No. 1

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

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

Date OTTAWA, Ont., 12th 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.

RCNVR Sept. 45 "ATHABASKAN"  
 MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON  
 ENTITLED TO Mrs. Irma M. Veinotte - Widow

ADDRESS: Marie Joseph, 1474 George Ave.,  
~~Guysboro Co., N.S.~~ WINDSOR, Ont.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS  
 WIDOW Mrs. Irma M. Veinott

ADDRESS: Marie Joseph Guysboro Co., N.S.  
 (Issued 6-3-45)

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS  
 MOTHER Mrs. D.K. Veinotte

ADDRESS: Ecum Secum, Guys Co., N.S.

(1) *English*

MEMORIAL B K

DATE DESP.....

(2) REGN. NO. 2034

(3) 17-3-45

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NAVY

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

D.D.  
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

VEINOTTE	Joseph Victor Wilkins	V-25606	Supply P.O.	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	3480
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)