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ATTESTATION FORM
(HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

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SURNAME..... **BUCHANAN** OFFICIAL NO.....
CHRISTIAN NAMES..... **George Wood** MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER **Single**.....

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
207 Greenwood Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.	United.

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
31 July, 1923.	Town Toronto	Mother: Elizabeth
*Original Nationality of:	County York	Same address.
Father Scotch	Province Ontario	
Mother Scotch		

*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..... 5	Inflated..... 35½	Brown	Brown	Fair	None.
Inches..... 3½	Deflated..... 32½				
Mean..... 33½					

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
1 yr. Commercial Schooling.	Order Clerk: Canada Metal Co., 721 Eastern Ave., Toronto, Ontario.

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
Divisional Strength 16th June, '42.	Ord. Smn., RCNVR, (Temp.)	H.M.C.S. "YORK", Toronto.

(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..... **ARMY**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
2nd Div. Signals, R.C.C.S. (R) C.A.	L/Cpl.	4 Apl., '41.	6 May, '42.

(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 Toronto 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 16th day of June, 1942.

Signature of applicant George Wood Buchanan

(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 16th day of June, 1942.

W. G. Bell
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.
Sub-Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

(D) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I, George Wood Buchanan 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 George Wood Buchanan

Witness W. G. Bell

Date 16th June, 1942. Rank Sub-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 Wood Buchanan 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 Toronto Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

W. G. Bell
Sub-Lieut., RCNVR. Attesting Officer.

16th June, 1942. R.C.N.V.R. Division HMCS "YORK".
(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.

This is to acknowledge that I have not been induced to enter the SEAMAN Branch of the Naval Service by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to another Branch.

George Wood Buchanan
Signature

V39770

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

N.S. 113-B-3443

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V39770

NAME BUCHANAN

(Surname)

George Wood

(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH 31st July, 1923PLACE OF BIRTH Toronto, OntarioOCCUPATION Order ClerkRELIGION UnitedEDUCATION 1yr. Commercial SchoolingRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 207 Greenwood Avenue, Town TorontoProvince, etc. Ontario

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
16	6	42	H.O.	5'3 1/2"	Brown	Brown	Fair	None	2nd Div. Signals R.C.C.S.(R) C.A.	L/Cpl.	4-4-41	6-5-42

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) MotherNAME (in pencil) Elizabeth BuchananADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 207 Greenwood AvenueTown TorontoProvince, etc. Ontario

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	

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		

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NO. WAP 557-7

DATE

Eligible to count 280 Days Can. Army Reserve Ser vice towards award GSB

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT	
From	To

H.Q. 35-30M-4-42 (4260)
N.S. 815-7-35

O.H.F. Received

Last Will & Testament dated 16.6.44 received.



V39770

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **BUCHANAN**
(Surname)

George Wood
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER **V39770**

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Referred		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
H.M.C.S. "YORK"	Ord. Smn.	16	6	42	Div. Str. Toronto												
" "	" "	22	6	42	Active Service D.L. 17-8-42	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43	O&R A/SD	5	12	42	8/24	26.1	
" Naden	" "	15	8	42	D.L. 17-8-42												
Stadacona	" "	9	12	42	S.C.												
Vison	" "	29	12	42	DRD H-276												
Stadacona	A.B.	22	6	43	Rated (249A/42227)												
Alberni	" "	1	1	44	DRD #27 p-2												
Discharged	" "	6	1	44	DRD S/132 p-8												
		21	8	44	Missing per C.L. Presumed	Dead Sub.		19	2	45							

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross awarded to.
Mother: Mrs Elizabeth Buchanan
207 Greenwood Avenue
Toronto, Ontario

Awarded

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		RELI-ED	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	GION	P.	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK
31	7	23	11	830	0	40	2	56	14	9	23	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	
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VERIFICATION FORM
DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

NAMING .. A. B. OFF. NO. V-39770 ADDRESS

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	star
						ATLANTIC	1	Clasp
						FRANCE G.	2	@ Clasp
						AFRICA		
						PACIFIC		
						BURMA		
						ITALY		
						DEFENCE		
						C.V.S.M.	2	@ Clasp
						" CLASP		
						WAR 1945	1	Medal
						WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY [Signature]

Y DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

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..... **BUCHANAN George Wood**
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating..... **Able Seaman** Official No..... **V-39770** Unit..... **R.C.N. R.C.N.R. R.C.N.V.R.**

Place of Birth..... **Toronto, Ontario.** Date of Birth..... **31st July, 1923**

Occupation in Civil Life..... **Order Clerk** 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)..... **2 years and 2 months**

Date of Death..... **21 August, 1944** Place of Death..... **AT SEA**

Cause of Death..... **Missing, presumed killed when the ship in which he was serving**
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)
H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI" was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

Nearest known relative or friend. { Name..... **Mr. John Buchanan** Relationship..... **Father**
 Address..... **207 Greenwood Ave., TORONTO, Ont.**

Date on which the above was informed by Ship..... ~~NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS:~~ **23rd Aug. 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.....

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

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

Date..... **OTTAWA, Ont. February 28, 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.

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 N.S. 7570-S-1121

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G.R. BY... *P*



F.M.O., Halifax, N.S.,
August 26th, 1944.

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N.S. V-39770. PERS.(N)

My dear Sir:

I was the captain of H.M.C.S. "Albani" and I know there is nothing I can say that will help you in your great loss. I just wanted you to know that you have my sincerest sympathy. Your son was an excellent seaman both reliable and efficient. Even though he was very young he carried out his A/S and seamanship duties better than men who had been at it for years. He was very well liked by all officers and men and appeared to be very happy aboard.

The only minor comfort I can give you is that he was down below at the time the ship was hit and as the ship sank instantly I am sure he did not suffer any pain.

I hope that if I am ever in Toronto you will give me the pleasure of allowing me to call on you.

If there is any way in which I can help you, do not hesitate to write me.

Yours sincerely,

"Ian Bell"

Lieutenant Commander, R.C.N.V.R.

Re: G.W. Buchanan, A.B., V38770

Mr. John Buchanan,
207 Greenwood Ave.,
TORONTO, Ont.

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AWARDS NAVY

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BUCHANAN	George Wood	V-39770	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 AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	4854
Atlantic Star & Clasp	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR Oct. 45 "ALBERNI"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mrs. Elizabeth Buchanan - Mother

ADDRESS: 207 Greenwood Ave.,
TORONTO, Ont.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. E. Buchanan

ADDRESS: 207 Greenwood Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

REGN. NO. 2174

(2)

(3)

17-1-45