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ATTESTATION FORM

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE

SURNAME CULPEPPER OFFICIAL No. A-3190

CHRISTIAN NAMES John Arthur MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Married

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
<u>2827-Clarke Dr. Vancouver, British Columbia.</u>	<u>Presb.</u>

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>22nd March, 1915.</u>	<u>Town Edmonton County Province Alberta.</u>	<u>Mrs. Edith (Wife) 2827-Clarke Dr. Vancouver, British Columbia.</u>

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet... <u>5</u>	Inflated... <u>36</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Scar base of left thumb.</u>
Inches... <u>10 1/2</u> ...	Deflated... <u>33</u>				
.....	Mean... <u>34 1/2</u>				
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY			
<u>30th September, 1940.</u>	<u>Prob. Stoker 1/c. R.C.N.R. (Temp.)</u>	<u>Machine Shop helper and dairy shipper. Fraser Valley Milk producer Ass.</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 Reserve, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) (a) ~~That it is my intention to follow the sea for a period of at least five years from this date.~~
- (b) That it is my intention to follow the calling of a Fireman, either at sea or on shore, for a period of five years from this date.
- (c) ~~That it is my intention to follow the sea in an Engine room capacity for a period of five years from this date.~~

NOTE.—Candidates for enrolment as *Seaman* are to cross out clauses (b) and (c) above.
 Candidates for enrolment as *Stoker* are to cross out clauses (a) and (c) above.
 Candidates for enrolment as *E.R.A.* are to cross out clauses (a), (b) and (c) above.
 Candidates for enrolment as *Engineman* are to cross out clauses (a) and (b) above.

Personnel Records Division	
1. Name in Records	<u>J.W.</u>
2. Index Card	<u>E.M.</u>
3. Non-Sup. Card	
4. Statistical Card	<u>J.W.</u>
5. Photo Strip	<u>E.M.</u>
6. Pension Card	
7.	
8.	
DATE	<u>15/10/40.</u>

7/10/40

(4) That I have never been rejected from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

*Cross out clause not applicable.

(5) That (a)* I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve or Territorial Force.

(b)* ~~I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve or Territorial Force for the period shown.~~

Served in	Rank	From	To
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

(6) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(7) On being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

duration of hostilities

- (a) To serve from the date thereof for ~~two consecutive years~~ 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 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 Registrar 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.

(8) I am willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this 30th day of September, 1940.

J. Culpepper
(Signature of Applicant)

(C) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

Signature of Applicant *J. Culpepper*

Witness *John Ross*

Date 30th September, 1940. Rank Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

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

(D) **CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICIAL**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the man above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration and has taken the oath of

allegiance in my presence this 30th day of September, 1940.

John Ross Lieutenant, RCNVR.
(Signature of Officer and rank)

NOTE.—When this form has been completed it is to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody

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.

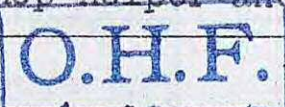
CERTIFICATE of the Service of

John Arthur C U L P E P P E R

IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE

N A D E N	I.C.N.S. 24584 X Official Number... A.3190.....
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Date of birth <u>22 March, 1915</u>	Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil) <u>31 Oct 42</u>
Where born { Province <u>Alberta</u> Town or county <u>Edmonton</u>	Name: <u>Edith Adele Culpepper</u>
Trade brought up to <u>Machine Shop helper and dairy shipper.</u>	Relationship: <u>Wife</u>
Religious denomination <u>Presb.</u>	Address: <u>1765 Newton St. Victoria B.C.</u>
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
1.	<u>30 Sep 40</u>	<u>Host.</u>	5.		
2.			6.		
3.			7.		
4.			8.		

Medals, Clasps, Etc.

Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration	Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration
<u>29 March 44 Rec'd</u>	<u>Can. Vol. Serv. Medal 1939-43 Star</u>		

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.....	<u>5</u>	<u>10 1/2</u>	<u>34 1/2</u>	<u>brown</u>	<u>brown</u>	<u>fair</u>	<u>Scar base of left thumb.</u>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary.....							

Name John Arthur C U L P E P P E R

Ship's Name (Tenders to be inserted in brackets)	List and No.	Rating	From	To	Cause of Discharge
N A D E N		P/Stoker 1/c	30 Sep 40	29 Sep '41	
---		Stoker 1/c	30 Sep '41	14 Jan '43	
Givenchy (Ingonish)		---	15 Jan '43	31 Mar '43	
Stadacona (Ingonish)		---	1 Apr '43	14 Aug '43	
Stadacona (Ingonish)		A/Ldg. Sto. (T.V.)	15 Aug '43	30 Sep '43	2113
Stadacona		---	1 Oct '43	4 Feb '44	
Stadacona (Alberni)		---	5 Feb '44	21 Apr '44	
Nebe (Alberni)		---	27 Apr '44	14 Aug '44	Reported missing A22988
---		A/Sto. P.O. A. 23126	15 Aug '44	21 Aug '44	CNMO'S SIGS. 222323 and 231129 AUG 44 Presumed Dead. A59558 CNMO'S SIG 211839 DEC 1944

Date	Wounds received in Action and Hurt Certificate; also any Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prize or other Grants	Captain's Signature
23 Aug 43	SCTWT B 82479	

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OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME CULPEPPER,

(Surname)

John Arthur

(Given Names)

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A 3190

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		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
HMCS "Naden"	Stoker 1	30	9	40	Confirmed Sto. 1 30-9-40	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	40							
Ingonish	"	15	1	43	(DRD # 417)												
"	A/Ldg.Sto.(ty)	15	8	43	Advanced (249A # 27401)												
Stadacona	"	1	10	43	(DRD H-2763)	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Alberni	"	5	2	44	(DRD S63 p.3) A/Sto.P.O.	15-8-44	Advanced (Memo. of 25-8-44)										
DISCHARGED	"	21	8	44	"Missing" <i>249A 4223</i> <i>Rest from Casualty Dept</i>												

GENERAL REMARKS

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from 25-3-41 to 3-4-41.
Canadian Memorial Cross forwarded
17-1-45 to Wife: Mrs. Edith Culpepper,
1765 Newton St., Victoria, B.C.
Wife has been awarded a pension in
respect of her late husband. The
awarded includes allowances for her
child.

DATE OF BIRTH		PLACE OF BIRTH	CIVIL OCCU.	RELIEF	PERM. RESIDENCE	ENL.	RANK OR RATE	
BY	MO	YR.	MAIN	SUB	STON	W	CTV	TO
22	3	15	17	900	0	50	X	9
ENLIST. DATE		ACT. SERV. DATE	STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE		SHIP	RANK OR RATE	
BY	MO	YR.	BY	MO	YR.	CAT.	ESTAB.	A
30	09	40	30	09	40		1520	1
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VERIFICATION
 CAMPAIGN STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL,
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE

NAME IN FULL C.VL PEPPER John Arthur RANK/RATING ...A./.

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA
	FROM	TO	DAYS	
	30-9-40			
Ingonish	15-1-43	30-9-43	259	WC at.
Alberni	5-2-44	21-8-44	199	France Serv: 6-6-

Disch Dead 21-8-44
 (Alberni)

VERIFIED BY Roger Seguin.....

VERIFIED BY

VERIFICATION FORM

RS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RANK/RATING ... *A/S.P.O.* ... OFF.NO. *A-3190* ... 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	/	<i>star</i>
							ATLANTIC	/	<i>& clasp</i>
<i>IC at</i>							FRANCE G.	<i>2</i>	
<i>France Gen. 6-6-44</i>							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
<i>21-8-44</i>							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	<i>2 & clasp</i>	
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	/	<i>medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *R.L.*

THIS CERTIFICATE IS TO BE COMPILED IN DUPLICATE, THE SECOND COPY BEING
FORWARDED TO THE MAN'S DEPOT

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24-8-43
24/8/43

AUXILIARY MACHINERY COURSE FOR STOKER RATINGS



CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION P154355

H.M.C.S. "STADACONA".....

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This is to certify that CULPEPPER, John.....

First Class Stoker, Official Number A-3190.....serving in H.M.C.S.

"INGONISH".....has successfully passed through the

Auxiliary Machinery Watchkeeping Course as laid down in K.R. and

APPENDIX XVII, Part I, No. 39 (F), and notations have been made

on his History Sheet accordingly.

1 History Card.....
2 Index Card.....
3 Roneo Card.....
4 Advancement <u>OK</u>
5 A. A. Card.....
6 Training.....
7 Statistical.....
8.....
DATE <u>20/8/43</u>

[Signature]
Engineer Officer

[Signature]
Commanding Officer

Date Aug. 9th, 1943..

S. 443
10M-6-42 (4888)
N.S. 815-9-443

Noted in Service
Records by M. A.
24.8.43

AT

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.....GULPEPPER John Arthur
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Stoker Petty Officer Official No. A-3190 Unit R.C.N.
R.C.N.R.
R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Edmonton, Alberta Date of Birth 22 March, 1915.

Occupation in Civil Life Machine Shop helper and dairy shipper 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) From 30 September, 1940 to 21 August, 1944.

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 sunk in the English Channel due to enemy action.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Edith Culpepper, Relationship Wife
Address 1765 Newton St.,
VICTORIA, B.C.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship Naval Service Headquarters: 23 August, 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

*Noted
D.H.P.L.
8-3-45
E.L.*

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

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

Date Ottawa, Ont., 28 February, 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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F.M.O., Halifax, N.S.,
August 26th, 1944.

N.S. A-3190. PERS.(N)

My dear Mrs. Culpepper:

I was the captain of H.M.C.S. "Alberni" 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 husband was an excellent stoker both reliable and efficient. As he and I both came from the West coast, we had become quite good friends. He was very well liked by all the officers and men and appeared to be quite 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 Victoria 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.

Mrs. Edith Culpepper,
1765 Newton St.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN
C.R. BY.....

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N.S. A-3190 Pers. (N). F.D. 706.

Policy No. 2305986.

24 January, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information John Arthur Culpepper, Stoker Petty Officer, Official Number A-3190, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, is missing, presumed killed on the 21st of August, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI", was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

[Handwritten signature]

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D.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK
FEB 5 1945
CLERK No. 1

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(NAVY)

D.D.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

CULPEPPER	John Arthur	A-3190	L/Sto.	FILE No.
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SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT
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WAR SERVICE

BADGE

(CLASS)	No.	DATE DESPATCHED:
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ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	<i>2195.</i>
Atlantic Star & Clasp	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCNR Oct. 45 "ALBERNI"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) <u>MEDALS</u> <u>PERSON</u> ENTITLED TO	Mrs. Edith Culpepper - Widow
ADDRESS:	1765 Newton St., P.O. Box 743, VICTORIA, B.C.
(2) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> WIDOW	Mrs. E. Culpepper
ADDRESS:	1765 Newton St., Victoria, B.C.
(3) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> MOTHER	
ADDRESS:	

5-9-48

MEMORIAL B R
(1) DATE DESP.....
REGN. NO..... 417
(2) 17-1-45

(3)