



I.C.N.S. 71517

CANADA

**ATTESTATION FORM**  
(HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME..... **LAIHO** ..... OFFICIAL No. **1-66845**  
CHRISTIAN NAMES..... **Wallace Haddell** ..... MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER..... **Single**

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
<b>725 Ingersoll St., Winnipeg, Man.</b>	<b>United Church</b>

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<b>1st April, 1924</b>	Town <b>Winnipeg</b> County Province <b>Manitoba</b>	<b>John Albert LAIHO (Father), 725 Ingersoll St., Winnipeg, Manitoba.</b>
*Original Nationality of:		
Father <b>Scottish</b>		
Mother <b>Scottish</b>		

\*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..... <b>6</b>	Inflated..... <b>40</b>				
Inches..... <b>11</b>	Deflated..... <b>36 1/2</b>	<b>Brown</b>	<b>Brown</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Scar on forehead</b>
<b>172</b>	Mean..... <b>37</b>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<b>Grade XI</b>	<b>Fireman, City of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Man.</b>

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	H.M.C.S. ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH ENROLLED
<b>Divisional Strength 9th July, 1943</b>	<b>Ord. Sm. (N.T.)</b>	<b>H.M.C.S. CHIPPAWA</b>

(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, Air Force, Reserve or Territorial Force.  
\* (b) I served in **2nd(R) Bn., Winnipeg Grenadiers (CA)** 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
<b>2nd(R) Bn., The Winnipeg Grenadiers (Canadian Army)</b>	<b>Private</b>	<b>8th March '43 Discharged at Winnipeg, #H.425,629</b>	<b>8th July '43</b>

(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 Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and 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 when called and 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 naval establishment 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, until called into active service, 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.

(e) I have not been induced to enter as Ord. Gun. (W.T.) by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to any other branch or rating.

Dated this 9th day of July, 1943

Signature of applicant W. W. Laing

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this 9th

day of July, 1943

My authority for attestation is ED 7-3-2, 24th June, 1943

N. F. Hale  
Signature and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE RECEIVED LIEUTENANT R. C. N. V. R.

I, Wallace Waldell LAING 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 N. F. Hale

Witness W. W. Laing

Date 9th July, 1943 Rank Sub. LIEUTENANT R. C. N. V. R.

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

NOTE.—Attestation Form in duplicate, Certificate of Medical Examination (B-207) in duplicate, Occupational History Form in triplicate and certificates of previous service are to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters **immediately** after attestation.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after examination.



THE CANADIAN ARMY—RESERVE PERSONNEL

2nd BATTALION  
Winnipeg Grenadiers

CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE

JUL 13 1943

ORDERLY ROOM  
Winnipeg, Canada.

This Certifies that H. 425,629 Pte LAING, Wallace Waddell  
(Regtl. No.) (Rank) (Name in full)  
of 725 Ingersoll Ave., County of Winnipeg

Province of Manitoba served continuously in the

2nd (R) Bn, THE WINNIPEG GRENADIERS (Canadian Army)  
(Regiment or Corps)

from the 8th day of March 1943, to

the 8th day of July, 1943, and is now discharged  
therefrom, and that he attended ~~work completed Annual Training for the years~~  
drills and training. Struck off strength upon enlisting with the  
R.C.N.V.R.

(Each year separately, in figures)

One hundred & twenty four days  
(Total number of years, in words)

W. W. Laing  
(Signature of Soldier)

Place Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Date 13th July, 1943 1943

Commanding \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sqn., Bty. or Coy.)

H. A. Clarke  
(H.A. Clarke) Major & Adjt.,  
† Commanding for (S.M. Scott) Lt-Col.,  
(Regt. or Corps)  
2nd (R) Bn. THE WINNIPEG GRENADIERS

† NOTE—Not required in the case of an Independent or Detached Squadron, Battery or Company.



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

*Wallace Waddell LAING*  
*I.C.N.S. 71317*  
 in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number <i>J-66845</i>
	<i>Chippawa</i>	"
		"

Date of Birth <i>1 April 1924</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil) <i>19/10/43</i> <i>Father</i> <i>John Albert Laing</i> <i>725 Ingersoll St</i> <i>Supg. Mans.</i>
Place of Birth <i>Winnipeg, Manitoba.</i>	
Place of Residence <i>725 Ingersoll St Wpg.</i>	
Trade brought up to <i>Fireman</i>	
Religion <i>United Church</i>	
Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date.....19..... Signature..... Rank.....	
P.S.T. Date.....19..... Signature..... Rank.....	

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
	<i>9 July 43</i>	<i>Duration of Hostilities</i>	<i>Red Cross</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>6</i>	<i>1/2</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>172</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Scar on Forehead</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















V66845

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER 113-L-3194

OFFICIAL NUMBER V66845

NAME LAING (Surname) Wallace Waddell (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 1st. April, 1924.  
 PLACE OF BIRTH Winnipeg, Manitoba OCCUPATION Fireman  
 RELIGION United Church EDUCATION Grade XI  
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 725 Ingersoll St. Town Winnipeg Province, etc Man.

Date (in figures)			Period	DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE			
Day	Month	Year		Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
9	7	43	H.O.	5' 1 1/2"	Brown	Brown	Fair	Scar on forehead	2nd. (R) Bn. The Winnipeg Gren. (Can. Army)	Pte.	8th-3-43	8-7-43

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) John Albert Laine  
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 725 Ingersoll St. Town Winnipeg Province, etc Man.

Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
				25	2	44	Marked "TB"				
				14	3	44	Passed E.T.I., R.C.N				

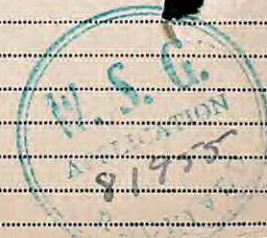
BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.				BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES							
Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year		

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED						O.H.F. Received	
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.	Last Willand Testament #8657 Received	

Eligible to count 123 Days Can. Army Reserve Service towards award G.S.B.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From To



8/45



P.I.B.

V66845

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME LAING  
(Surname)

Wallace Waddell  
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V66845

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
H.M.C.S. "CHIPPAWA"	ORD/SMN.(W.T.)	9	7	43	Div. Str. Winnipeg	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43	P. "Radar"	7	4	44			
" "	"	28	7	43	Active Service D.L. 31-7-43	V.G.	SAT	21	8	44	3"						
" Naden	"	12	9	43	D.L. 20-9-43 #79												
" "Cornwallis"	"	8	1	44	DRD # 2099 Beaver 19-2-44 to 25-2-44												
St. Hyacinthe	"	9	3	44	Serv. Cert. Stadacona 11-4-44												
Alberni	"	18	4	44	DRD S.#. 136 P.#. 8												
Niobe (Alberni)	"	22	4	44	Serv. Cert.												
DISCHARGED	"	21	8	44	"Presumed Dead" Sub. 3-8-45												

GENERAL REMARKS

Awarded Canadian Memorial Cross to:  
Mrs. J.A. Laing  
725 Ingersoll St.  
Winnipeg, Man. to date. 17/3/45

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL.	ED.	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV.	ENLI.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	CION			P.	CTY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK	
01	4	24	16	243	X	404	606	06	06	9	06	0	08	95			
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP OR ESTAB.			RANK OR RATE					
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.					A	BR	RANK		
09	07	43	28	07	43				9625				0	08	95		
SENIORITY			STR.			NON-SUB			M.			CODED			CHECKED		
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	BT.											
28	07	43	13	00	00				MAD				63		T		







VERIFICATION FORM

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

..RANK/RATING *Ord. Surgeon* OFF. NO. *V. 66895* 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	1	<i>Star</i>
<i>at.</i>							ATLANTIC		
<i>at.</i>							FRANCE G.		
<i>UK</i>							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
<i>Dis. Dead</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>					ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	<i>+ Clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	<i>medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY ..... *J.B.* .....  
*Geo*

VERIFIED BY ..... DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.



( Information extracted from Naval Service Headquarters' Records. )

Four copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

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### REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

~~NAVY~~ NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS at OTTAWA, Ont.

Name LAING Wallace Waddell  
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating Ordinary Seaman Official No. 7-56845 R.C.N.V.R.  
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Winnipeg, Manitoba Date of Birth 1st April, 1924

Occupation in Civil Life Fireman Religion United Church

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 and 1 month

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)  
R.M.C.S. "ALEXANDER" was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mr. John A. Laing Relationship Father  
Address 725 Ingersoll St., WINNIPEG, Man.

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.....

Place of Burial No burial Date of Burial.....  
(if known) (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave.....  
(if known)

Undertaker employed.....  
(if any)

If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalided.....

*Noted  
D.N.P.A.  
14-3-45  
C.L.*  
~~SECRETARY~~ **Naval Board,**  
The NAVAL SECRETARY,  
Department of National Defence,  
Ottawa, Canada.

*Commanding Officer,*  
OTTAWA, Ont. 28 February 1945.  
*H.B. Money*  
for.....  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, c

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

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REGISTERED  
AIR MAIL

N.S. V-66845, PERS.(N)

23 August, 1944.

Dear Mr. Laing:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 23rd of August, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, Wallace Waddell Laing, Ordinary Seaman, Official Number V-66845, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing at sea.

The only information that can be given at this time is that your son is missing at sea when the ship in which he was serving was lost by enemy action in the English Channel. As soon as further particulars can be released, you will be informed.

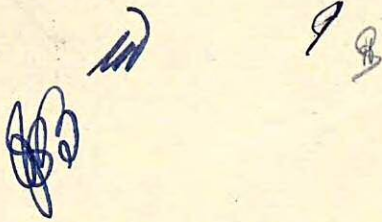
Should you know the name of the ship in which he was serving, it is requested that, for security reasons, you will regard this information as confidential until such time as an official announcement is made.

Please accept the sincere sympathy of the Department in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mr. John Albert Laing,  
725 Ingersoll Street,  
WINNIPEG, Man.






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N.S. V-66845 PERS. (N)

26 December, 1944.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Wallace Waddell Laing, Ordinary Seaman, Official Number V-66845, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer 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.



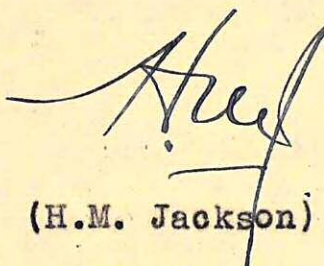




V.66845  
(WSR.12)

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information received at the Department of National Defence, V.66845, Ordinary Seaman Wallace Waddell LAING, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing in action on the 21st of August, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "Alberni", was lost while on operational duty at sea, and no further information concerning him being available he is for official purposes presumed to have died on that date.



(H.M. Jackson) Lt.-Col.,

Officer of Her Majesty's Forces  
authorized to sign certificates  
of death and/or presumption of  
death for the Canadian Naval Forces.

Department of National Defence,  
OTTAWA, Canada.  
24th November, 1954.

