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ATTESTATION FORM
(HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME McGRATH OFFICIAL NO. V652
CHRISTIAN NAMES James Donald MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS 110 Cauchon St., Winnipeg, Manitoba. RELIGION United

DATE OF BIRTH 15th January, 1924. PLACE OF BIRTH Winnipeg, Manitoba. NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN Isabella P. McGrath (Mother), 110 Cauchon Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

*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 <u>5</u>	Inflated <u>33 1/2</u>	<u>Auburn</u>	<u>Hazel</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Scar on calf of left leg.</u>
Inches <u>8 3/4</u>	Deflated <u>30 1/2</u>				
Mean <u>32</u>					

EDUCATIONAL STANDING Grade 10 TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY Bank Clerk, Bank of Nova Scotia, 245 Portage Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

DATE OF ENROLMENT Divisional Strength 10th February, 1942. RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED Ordinary Seaman R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED H.M.C.S. CHIPPAWA

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

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H. M. C. S. "BY TOWN"
SERVED IN
FAIR
MAY 14 1942
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- (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 H.M.C.S. CHIPPAWA. 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 10th day of February, 1942.

Signature of applicant Donald McGrath

(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 10th day of February, 1942.

W. B. Kinsman
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.
Sub-Lieut., R.C.N.V.R.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, James Donald McGRATH 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 Donald McGrath

Witness W. B. Kinsman

Date 10th February, 1942. Rank Sub-Lieut., 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

James Donald McGRATH 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 H.M.C.S. CHIPPAWA. Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

W. B. Kinsman
Sub-Lieut., R.C.N.V.R. Attesting Officer.

10th February, 1942. R.C.N.V.R. Division H.M.C.S. CHIPPAWA.
(or other establishment)

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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.

Donald McGrath
Signature

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..... *Donald McGrath*
Signature

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

James Donald McGRATH

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number <i>V-652</i>
	<i>Chippawa</i>	"
		"

Date of Birth *15th January 1924*

Place of Birth *Winnipeg, Manitoba*

Place of Residence *110 Huron St. Winnipeg, Man.*

Trade brought up to *Bank Clerk*

Religion *United*

Can Swim:—P.P.T. Date *16 April 1942* Signature *J. R. Hyman* Rank *Lieut*

Good. 7 February '43

 P.S.T. Date *19* Signature *Amable* Rank *Lt*

Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil) *11/11/43*
Mother - Isabella P. McGrath
Same address



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>10 Feb 42</i>	<i>Hostilities</i>	<i>Sub. Sea</i>			

	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>8 3/4</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>Auburn</i>	<i>Hazel</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Scar on calf of left leg.</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

V652

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-M-3455

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V652

NAME McGRATH (Surname) James Donald (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 15th January, 1924.PLACE OF BIRTH Winnipeg, Man. OCCUPATION Bank Clerk.RELIGION United. EDUCATION Grade 10.RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 110 Cauchon Street. Town Winnipeg. Province, etc. Man.

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
10	2	42	H.O.	5' 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	Auburn	Hazel	Fair	Scar on calf of left leg.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother 10.42 NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Isabella P. McGrathADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 110 Cauchon St Town Winnipeg Province, etc. Man.

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	
5	7	44	C.V.S.M. (R&C).	22	4	42	Passed P.T. (V.G).				
				4	4	43	Marked "Tr" (24183)				
				25	4	44	Qual. Prof. for Idg. Smn. (Good)	249A	(40777)		

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		
					Nipigon.	18	15	9	43	Did steal. (249A #27525).	28 days detention.*

FILM
NO. WAR 5177-2
DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED						O.H.F. Received.
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.	
15	9	43		38					* Granted remission of 4 days on sentence. 249A 10279

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT
From _____ To _____



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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 McGRATH James Donald
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating Leading Seaman Official No. V-652 R.C.N.V.R.
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Winnipeg, Manitoba Date of Birth 15th January, 1924

Occupation in Civil Life Bank Clerk 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) 2 years and 6 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. "ALBERTA" was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mrs. Isabella McGrath Relationship Mother
Address 110 Cauchon St., WINNIPEG, Man.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship Naval Service Headquarters 29th 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.....

Commanding Officer,

OTTAWA, Ont. 28 February 1945

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

for W.B. Money
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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

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N.S. 815-9-1121

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N.S. V-652, F.D. 310, PERS (N)

19 March, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information James Donald McGrath, Leading Seaman, Official Number V-652, 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. *e*





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23 August, 1944.

Dear Mrs. McGrath:

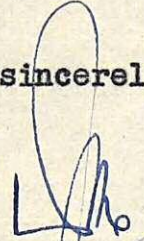
It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 23rd of August, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your son, James Donald McGrath, Able Seaman, V-652, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing at sea.

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.


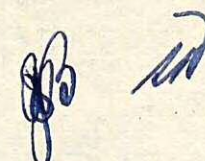
Should you know the name of the ship in which he was serving, it is requested that, for security reasons, you will regard this information as confidential until such time as an official announcement is made.

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

Yours sincerely,


SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Isabella P. McGrath
110 Cauchon St.
Winnipeg, Man.



RCNVR Oct. 45 "ALBERNI"
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) GOALS

PERSON

ENTITLED TO

Mr. John McGrath - Father

ADDRESS:

110 Cauchon Street, *same address*
Winnipeg, Man.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

Mrs. I. P. McGrath
110 Cauchon Street
WINNIPEG, Mand.

ADDRESS:

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

(1)

REGN NO 232

CANCELLED

(2)

(3) 17 January 1945

L DECEASED 21 August 1944

D.D.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS (NAVY)

WAR SERVICE RECORDS


McGRATH	James Donald	V-652	L.Smn.	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	<div data-bbox="1099 901 1774 1125" data-label="Complex-Block"> <p>03-15589 M</p>  <p>P</p> </div>
Atlantic & Clasp	
C.V.S.M & Clasp	
War Medal	
	8850

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