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### ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME WRIGHT OFFICIAL No. V-66434  
CHRISTIAN NAMES THOMAS MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER SINGLE

PERMANENT ADDRESS <u>462 Dupont St. Toronto Ont.</u>	RELIGION <u>C of E</u>
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DATE OF BIRTH <u>20th May 1923</u>	*PLACE OF BIRTH Town <u>Toronto</u> County <u>York</u> Province <u>Ont.</u>	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN <u>Father, Nathan Sully Wright</u> <u>Same Address</u>
*Original Nationality of: Father <u>English</u> Mother <u>Same</u>		

\*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>34</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Scars palm-side</u> <u>first &amp; second</u> <u>fingers left hand</u>
Inches <u>7 1/2</u>	Deflated <u>32</u>				
<u>123 1/2 lbs</u>	Mean <u>33</u>				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING <u>2 Yrs. High School</u>	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY <u>Woodfitter</u> <u>Massey Harris Co. Ltd. (Aircraft)</u> <u>Weston, Ont.</u>
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DATE OF ENROLMENT <u>DIVISIONAL STRENGTH</u> <u>20th July 1943</u>	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED <u>STOKER I</u> <u>RCNVR (TEMP)</u>	H.M.C.S. ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH ENROLLED <u>"YORK"</u>
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#### (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 ----- 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

(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..... **Stoker I** .....by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to any other branch or rating.

Dated this **20th** ..... day of **July 1943** .....

Signature of applicant ✓ *T. Wright* .....

(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..... **20th** ..... day of..... **July 1943** .....

My authority for attestation is..... **RD 7-5-2 W, 15th April 1943** .....

*D. Hatch*  
Signature and rank of Attesting Officer.  
**Sub-Lieut. RCNVR**

(D) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I, **Thomas Wright** .....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 ✓ *T. Wright* .....

Witness..... *D. Hatch* .....

Date..... **20th July 1943** ..... Rank..... **Sub-Lieut. RCNVR** .....

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 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

*Thomas* WRIGHT

## in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

*N.S. 93246*

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number... <i>V-116434</i>
	<i>York</i>	"
		"

Date of Birth... <i>20 May 1923</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
Place of Birth... <i>Toronto York Ontario</i>	
Place of Residence... <i>462 Bay St. Toronto Ont.</i>	
Trade brought up to... <i>Woodfitter</i>	
Religion... <i>Church of England</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>20 July '43</i>	<i>Duration of Hostilities</i>	<i>Sto 1/c</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>5</i>	<i>7 1/4</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>123 1/2</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Scars palm side first and second fingers left hand</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 Thomas WRIGHT 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
		VC	Sgt. (St 1/2)	31 Dec 43	<i>R. D. S. [Signature]</i>
		Plt	Sgt (St 1)	21 Aug 44	<i>[Signature]</i>

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

TIME FORFEITED

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

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

Efficiency in Rating Noting Substantive Rating in Brackets

Date

Captain's Signature

V66434

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-W-3663

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V66434

NAME WRIGHT (Surname) Thomas (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 20 May, 1923.  
 PLACE OF BIRTH Toronto, Ont. OCCUPATION Woodfitter  
 RELIGION C. of E. EDUCATION 2 years high school  
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 462 Dupont St., Town Toronto, Province, etc. Ont.

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
20	7	43	H.O.	5' 7 1/4"	brown	blue	fair	Scars palm-side 1st & 2nd fingers left hand.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Matthew Kelly Wright  
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 462 Dupont St. Town Toronto Province, etc. Ont.

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY				EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC. <u>6718537 22-10-43</u>							
Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
				18	11	43	Passed "Good" Trade Test for Shpwrt. 5/c				
				14	12	43	Qual. Anti/Gas 1 day				

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.		

Second CLASS FOR CONDUCT  
From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Last Will & Testament #8199 Rec.

FILM  
NO. W.S.P. 5990-3  
DATE



**P.I.B.**

V66434 OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **WRIGHT** Thomas  
(Surname) (Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER V66434

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
HMCS "York"	Sto. I	20	7	43	Div. Str. Toronto	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
"	"	23	7	43	Act. Ser. D.L. 23-7-43	V.G.	SAT.	21	8	44							
" "Cornwallis"	"	14	9	43	D.L. 14/9/43.												
Stadacona	"	18	12	43	D.R.D. # 15 P.#. 3												
Alberni	"	6	4	44	DR S # 125 P # 4												
Niobe	"	22	4	44	Service Certificate.												
DISCHARGED	"	21	8	44	"Presumed Dead" Sub. 15/2/45.												

GENERAL REMARKS

Awarded Canadian Memorial Cross  
to: Mrs. N.S. WRIGHT  
462 Dupont St. TORONTO, Ont.  
to date. 31/1/45.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL.	ED.	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MATN	SUB	GION			P.	CTRY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR	RANK
20	5	23	11	56	0	30	3	1	56	14	0	23	0	15	94	
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			
20	07	43	23	07	43					9830	0	15	94			
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB	M				CODED	CHECKED						
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.										
23	07	43	13	00	00		M.S									





VERIFICATION FORM

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

RANK/RATING ..... *Star I* ..... OFF.NO. *166434* ..... ADDRESS .....

S	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>1 Star</i>
								ATLANTIC		
								FRANCE G.		<i>1 Star</i>
								AFRICA		
								PACIFIC		
								BURMA		
								ITALY		
								DEFENCE		
								C.V.S.M.		<i>2 Clasp</i>
								" CLASP		
								WAR 1945		<i>1 Medal</i>
								WAR 1915		

*Call. 2/2/45*

VERIFIED BY *J. P. ...*  
*J.P.*

VERIFIED BY ..... 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

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

Name..... **WRIGHT Thomas**  
(Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating..... **Stoker First Class** Official No..... **V-66434** Unit **R.C.N.**  
R.C.N.R.  
R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth..... **Toronto, Ontario.** Date of Birth..... **20th May 1923**

Occupation in Civil Life..... **Woodfitter** 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)..... **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)  
**H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI" was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.**

Nearest known relative or friend. { Name..... **Mr. Nathan Sully Wright** Relationship..... **Father**  
 Address..... **462 Dupont St., TORONTO, Ont.**

Date on which the above was informed by Ship ~~Imp.~~ Naval Service Headquarters: **23 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.....

ENTERED IN  
 D.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK  
 MAR 14 1945  
 CLERK No. 1

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

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.

TFH/JAG

"AIR MAIL"



V-66434 PERS. (N).

28th August, 1944.

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Dear Mr. Wright:-

Further to my letter of the 23rd August, details of the disaster in which your son has been reported missing are now being released.

H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI" was sunk while on invasion duties in the English Channel. Four officers and fifty-five ratings are missing, with three officers and twenty-eight ratings having survived.

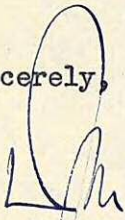
It is regretted that the position of the loss cannot be given, but it is considered unlikely that prisoners of war will be taken.

It is requested that you will keep this information in confidence until an official announcement is made.

RECORDED IN  
C.R. BY.....

May I again express sincere sympathy with you in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mr. Nathan Sully Wright,  
462 Dupont Street,  
TORONTO, Ont.

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N.S. V-66434 PERS. (N)

15 February, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Thomas Wright, Stoker First Class, Official Number V-66434, 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.  
   
