



### ATTESTATION FORM

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SURNAME McDoug	all		OFF	ICIAL NO. 139547			
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I hereby declare as follows:-		4.		4			
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(2) That I am desirous of Force, and that I accept and a				n Naval Volunteer Reserve			
(3) That * (a) I have nev		rving in a	ny Naval, Milita	ary, Reserve, or Territorial			
* (b) I served i				d shown, and attach my			
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- (5) On being enrolled as a member of the Toronto Division of 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
- (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.

### (C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

day of June, 1942

Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

Sub-Lieutenant R.C.N.V.R.

(D)

Service.

#### OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Donald Thompson Corran McDougall 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

Witness.....

Date 8 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

Donald Thompson Corran McDougall 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.

Sub-Lieutenant RCNVR Attesting Officer.

8 June, 194 2

R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment)....

H.M.C.S. "YORK"

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 COMMUNICATIONS. Branch of the Naval Service by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to another Branch.

Signature

N.V. 17 60M-9-42 (5943) N.S. 815-11-17

## CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

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.

Donald Thompson Corran McDOUGALL

## in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

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N.S. V-39547, PERS.(N) "N"/5

28 August, 1945.

Dear Mrs. McDougall:

Further to my letter of the 15th of February, 1945, the Department is now able to release additional information regarding the loss of your husband's ship and I am accordingly passing on the following particulars which will, no doubt, be of interest to you.

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN" sailed from Sydney, N.S., on the 24th of November, 1944, to escort a merchant ship to Port Aux Basques, Newfoundland, and arrived off Port Aux Basques that night. In accordance with orders she was then to carry out a patrol in the area for the duration of the night, after which she was to meet the same merchant ship the next morning and return with her to Sydney.

The Merchant ship arrived in Sydney unescorted on the night of the 25th of November and after it was ascertained that "Shawinigan" had not appeared at the designated rendezvous to provide escort as instructed, searches were instituted and "Shawinigan" was discovered to be missing.

It was the opinion of the Department at the time that the ship had been torpedoed by an enemy submarine during the night of the 24th/25th of November, 1944, as submarines were known to be operating in that area; and this has since been confirmed from German evidence. Although no survivors were found, a few bodies were recovered by later searches, due to tidal movements, some distance from the area in which "Shawinigan" was known to be operating. As a result, the position of the sinking can not be exactly ascertained, although from German evidence and the Department's computation, it is estimated to be in the vicinity of the three mile limit off Channel Head, near Port Aux Basques, Newfoundland.

Yours Singerely,

Despatched by Sec. N. B.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Date 2 9.8.45

Approval on N.S. 0-3690, F.D. 76 See also N.S.S. 1156-331/93

Mrs. Brenda J. McDougall, 226 Kent Street, West, LINDSAY, Ontario.

# 536 226 Kent Street West, 915592 Lindsay, Ontario, May 17th, 1945. Department of National Defence, Naval Service, Ottawa, Canada. Re: N.S. V-39547 F.D.586 Pers.(N) Dear Sirs: Kindly consider this letter formal application for War Service Gratuity due in respect to my late husband Donald Thompson Corran McDougall RCNVR, official number being V39547. He was a signalman aboard the H.M.C.S. Shawinigan which was lost last November on operational duty in the North Atlantic, members of the crew being prsumed dead as of November 24th, 1944. My husband joined the navy in the spring of 1942 at the H.M.C.S. York in Toronto. He served there and attended Signal School at St. Hyacinthe in Quebec. On July 21st 1943 he joined the crew of the Shawinigan at Halifax and was with the ship until and at the time of her loss. Our marriage was solemnized by Rev. C.D. Cross and Rev. R.D. Harmer in the St. Paul's Anglican Church in Lindsay, Ontario on August 12th, 1944. If any other information aside from the enclosed and that which you have on your files kindly let me know and I shall be pleased to forward Yours truly,

(Mrs) Brenda J. Mc Dongall same to you. Minter (3)

N.S. V-39547, F.D.47, PERS.(N)

10 April, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Donald Thompson Corren McDougall, Signalman, Official Number V-39547, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing, presumed dead to date the 24th of November, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", was lost while on operational duty at sea.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN"	at Sea
Name McDOUGALL, Donald Thompso	on Corran
	Official No. ¥39547 RCNV(2) (If unknown, date of first entry)
	Date of Birth 10th July, 1921
Occupation in Civil Life Student	Religion Church of England
Number of years service in the Navy (Long S	Service R.C.N., or mobilized service in case of R.C.N.
(Temporary) or Reserve ratings)18th	June, 1942 - 24th November, 1944
Date of Death 24th November, 1941	- Place of Death At. sea
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Date on which death was registered with local	d Officials No.t known
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ing to Nationality	
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	Commanding Officer,
	11/4/1045

The Naval Secretary,
Department of National Defence,
Ottawa, Canada.

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

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C.N.S. 1121 2M—5-40 (4893) N.S. 815-9-1121 noted & MPa m.m. Q. 13/4/45

AIR MAIL

N.S. V-39547 PERS(N)

Despatched by Spc. N. B.

Time 1630

/5 February, 1945.

Dear Mrs. McDougall:

Further to my letter of the 7th of December, 1944, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your husband, Donald Thompson Corran McDougall, Signalman, Official Number V-39547, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", and as no news has since been received to the contrary, the Canadian Naval Authorities have now presumed his death to have occurred on the 24th of November, 1944.

Please allow me to express sincere sympathy with you in your bereavement on behalf of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff, and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your husband has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Brenda J. McDougall, 226 Kent Street, LINDSAY, Ontario.

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AIR MAIL

FILE NO: N.S. V-39547

7 December, 1944.

Dear Mrs. McDougall:

Further to my letter of the 29th of November, 1944, details of the disaster in which your husband has been reported missing are now being released.

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", a Royal Canadian Navy corvette, was lost while on operational duty at sea. Seven officers, including her Captain, Lieutenant W. J. Jones, R.C.N.R., and seventy-eight ratings are missing. The bodies of five other ratings have been recovered and identified. There are no known survivors.

It is requested that you will regard this information as confidential until an official announcement is made.

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

Yours sincerely

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Brenda J. McDougall, 226 Kent Street, LINDSAY, Ontario. m

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AIR MAIL

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V/39547 PERS(N).

29th November, 1944.

Dear Mrs. McDougall:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 29th of November, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your husband, Donald Thompson Corran McDougall, Signalman, Official Number V-39547, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing at sea.

The only information that can be given at this time is that your husband is missing at sea when the ship in which he was serving was lost. Please be assured, however, that as soon as further particulars can be released, you will be informed.

It is regretted that slight hope is held for your husband's survival. When it is considered, beyond all reasonable doubt, that no further hope exists and should no information be received to the contrary, an official presumption of death will be made by the Canadian Naval Authorities.

It is requested that, for security reasons, you regard the name of the ship in which your husband was serving, as confidential until such time as an official announcement is made.

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

Yours sincerely,

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SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Brenda J. McDougall, 226 Kent Street, LINDSAY, Ontario.

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(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

(1)	MEDALS PERSON No Later Add ENTITLED TO Mrs. Brenda	Magahay (Re-married) J. McDougall - Widow	
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(2)	MEMORIAL CROSS WIDOW Mrs. Brenda	J. MacDougall	
	ADDRESS: 226 Kent Str		(2) 6 April 1945
(3)	MOTHER		(3) 6 April 1945
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