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CANADA

ATTESTATION FORM

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE

SURNAME..... STEFIUK, OFFICIAL No. A 3474...

CHRISTIAN NAMES..... George MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER..... Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
8465 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B. C.	R. C.

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
16th February, 1918.	Town Hamlin, County Province Alberta.	Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk (Mother) 8465 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B. C.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet... <u>5'</u>	Inflated..... <u>33$\frac{3}{4}$</u>	Brown	Blue	Medium	Web toe - right foot.
Inches... <u>2$\frac{3}{4}$"</u>	Deflated..... <u>31</u>				
	Mean..... <u>32$\frac{1}{2}$</u>				

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
30th April, 1942. (Active Service)	Able Seaman, R.C.N.R. (Temporary)	Edgerman - Empire Mills Ltd., Vancouver, B. C.

(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 *B.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. Noted in Records *M.R.B.*

2. Index Card *M.R.B.*

3. In Sub. Card *M.R.B.*

4. Statistical Card *M.R.B.*

5. Reserve Trip *M.R.B.*

6. Pension Card *M.R.B.*

7. *M.R.B.*

8. *M.R.B.*

O.H.F.

Unemployment Insurance Book No. A45051 deposited at -
Employment & Claims Office, 26.5.42
534 Broughton Street,
Victoria, B. C.

(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 served in Army for the period shown.

Served in	Rank	From	To
Duke Connaught's Own Regiment (N.P.A.M.)	Private	23rd November, 1940	23rd December, 1940

(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:—

- (a) To serve from the date thereof for ^{duration of hostilities} ~~five 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 1st day of May, 1942.

X George Stefiuk
(Signature of Applicant)

(C) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Signature of Applicant X George Stefiuk
Witness J. H. Smith

Date 1st May, 1942. Rank Sub-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 1st day of May, 1942.

J. H. Smith
(Signature of Officer and rank)
Sub-Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

NOTE.—When this form has been completed it is to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody. This is to acknowledge that I have not been induced to

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

X George Stefiuk
Signature

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

George STEFIUK
 IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN ~~NAVY~~ **NAVAL RESERVE**
ISSUED NEW I.C.N.S.

<i>Esquimalt</i>	Official Number <i>A. 3474</i>
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Date of birth <i>16 February 1918</i>	Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil)
Where born { Province <i>Alberta</i>	Name: <i>Jennie</i>
Town or county <i>Hamlin</i>	Relationship: <i>mother</i>
Trade brought up to <i>mill-edger</i>	Address: <i>8465 Victoria Dr</i>
Religious denomination <i>Roman Catholic</i>	<i>Vancouver B.C.</i>
Date passed swimming test	<i>28-10-42</i>
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.	<i>30 apr '42</i>	<i>HOSTILITIES</i>	5.		
2.			6.		
3.			7.		
4.			8.		

Medals, Clasps, Etc.

Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration	Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration

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.....	<i>5</i>	<i>2 3/4</i>	<i>31 1/2</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Web toe - right foot</i>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary.....							

ACCOUNTS OF MEN DISCHARGED

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Account of the Balance of Wages, the Sale of Clothes and Effects
and the other Credits of Men Discharged to the
Shore, D. D. or Run

Name STEFUIK, George Rating A/Ldg. Snn.
 Official No. A-5474 H.M.C.S. Stadacona List 12-11/34
 Who* D.D. on the 24th November, 1944

	\$	cts.
Net sum due on ledger on account of Wages.....	50	49
Proceeds of sale of Effects charged against Wages, brought from the other side		
CASH—		
Proceeds of sale of Effects, brought from the other side.....		
Found amongst Effects.....		
Debts collected \$.....		
Cash deposited by official Receipt No.....		
Cash debited in the Accountant Officer's Cash Acct.....		
If in debt in ledger, amount to be stated (in red ink).....		
Rate of allotment (in words) <u>See attached statement</u> charged to.....		
Name of ship from which transferred..... <u>SHAWINIGAN (Stadacona)</u>		
Total†..... CREDITOR	50	49

We hereby certify that we have every reason to believe that the above account contains a true statement of all wages, Effects, and other Credits or Debts on the Ledger of H.M.C.S. STADACONA amounting to a net balance†..... **CREDITOR**

of Fifty dollars Forty-nine cents.
 disposed of by Official Receipt No. 162-090690 Stad. Div. 1A March/45 Quarter.
 Dated on board H.M.C.S. Stadacona at Halifax, N.S.
 this 13th day of April, 1945.

Approved _____ Accountant Officer
Lieut. Cdr. (S) RCNVR Supply
 { Initials of the Assistant Accountant Officer
 _____ Commanding Officer.
A/CAPTAIN RCNVR

For Use at Headquarters. \$.....cts.....credited on Inspector's certificate

No.....to.....

Signature.....

Date.....19.....

*State whether discharged on shore, D.D. or Run. †State whether "debtor" or "creditor".
 ‡Subscription for Charitable or other purposes should not be shown hereon, but on a Remittance List, and dealt with as laid down in the King's Regulations.

C.N.S. 46

10M-8-43 (1464)
 H.Q. N.S. 815-9-45

[Handwritten signature]

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REGISTERED

AIR MAIL
N.S. A-3474 Pers.(N)

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29 November, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Stefiuk:

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 son, George Stefiuk, Leading Seaman, Official Number A-3474, Royal Canadian Naval 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. Please be assured, however, that as soon as further particulars can be released, you will be informed.

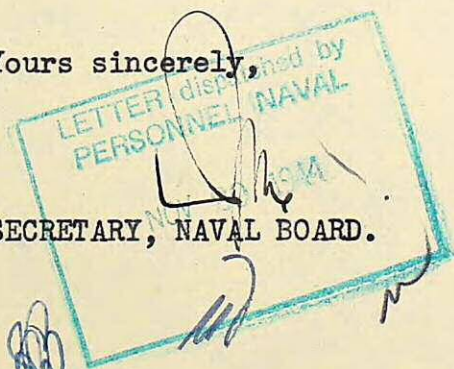
It is regretted that slight hope is held for your son's survival. When it is considered, beyond all reasonable doubt, that no further hope exists and should no information be received to the contrary, an official presumption of death will be made by the Canadian Naval Authorities.

It is requested that, for security reasons, you regard the name of the ship in which your son 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,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.



Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk,
8465 Victoria Drive,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

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AIR MAIL 14

N.S. A-3474. PERS.(N)

7 December, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Stefiuk:

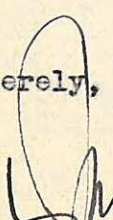
Further to my letter of the 29th of November, 1944, details of the disaster in which your son has been reported missing are now being released.

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. *MRT*

Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk,
8465 Victoria Drive,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

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AIR MAIL

N.S. A-3474 PERS. (N)

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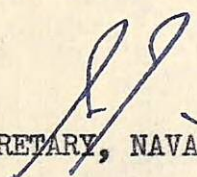
15 February, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Stefiuk:

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 son, George Stefiuk, Leading Seaman, Official Number A-3474, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", and as now 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.

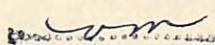
Please allow me to express sincere sympathy with you in your bereavement on behalf of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff, and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,


SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk,
8465 Victoria Drive,
VANCOUVER, B.C.


Despatched by
Sec. N. B.


Date 15.2.45
Time 1730

FEB 20 1945

ABL/YB

R E G I S T E R E D

28 August, 1945.

N.S. A-3474, PERS(N) 'N' 5

Dear Mrs. Stefiuk:

Further to my letter of the 15th of February, 1945, the Department is now able to release additional information regarding the loss of your son'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 sincerely,

[Signature]
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk,
8465 Victoria Drive,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

[Signature]
Date 29.8.45
Time 1545

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

A 3474

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

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NAME STEFUK George DATE OF BIRTH 16 February, 1918.
 (Surname) (Given Names)
 PLACE OF BIRTH Hamlin, Alberta. OCCUPATION Edgerman - Empire Mills Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.
 RELIGION Roman Catholic EDUCATION
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 8465 Victoria Drive, Town Vancouver, Province, etc. B.C.

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
30	4	42	Hostilities Only	5' 2 ³ / ₄ "	Brown	Blue	Medium	Web toe - rt. foot	Duke Connaught's Own Regiment (NPAM)	Pte.	23-11-40	23-12-40

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Josephine Stefuk
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 8465 Victoria Drive Town Vancouver Province, etc. B.C.

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	
				18	3	43	Passed prof. for Ldg. Smn.				
				8	5	42	Qual. A/G 2 days.				

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.
									O.H.F. Received Ins. Book No. A45051, Employment & Claims Office 534 Broughton St., Victoria, B.C.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



PIB 6

A 3474

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME STEFIUK
(Surname)

George
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER A 3474

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 Naden	A, B.	30	4	42		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42	Q.R. III	19	6	43			
" Sans Peur	"	20	10	42	(D RD #62)	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43	Q&R Q.R. II	31	5	44			
Naden	"	7	5	43	(DRD # 1024)	V.G.	Supr	24	11	44							
R.C.N. College	"	2	7	43	(DRD # 1301)												
Givenchy	"	6	8	43	(DRD # 1443)												
Stadacona	"	11	8	43	(DRD # 1457)												
Niagara	"	15	9	43	(DRD H-2625)												
"	Prov. Ldg. Smn. (ty)	15	9	43	Advanced (249A # 17117)												
"	A/Ldg. Smn.	1	11	43	Advanced (Memo 23-10-43)												
Stadacona	"	14	3	44													
Cornwallis	"	16	3	44	(DRD 103 p.8)												
Stadacona	"	8	6	44	(DRD 180 p.5)												
Shawinigan	"	10	6	44	(DRD S.190 p.14)												
DISCHARGED	"	24	11	44	"Missing" Presumed "Dead" (Casualty List)												

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross awarded to Mother, Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk, 8465 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B.C. on 6-4-45

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL.	ED.	PERM.	RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	OCION	P.	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A.	BR.	RANK.		
16	2	18	17	312	0	10	X	904	10	9	13	0	08	94		
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP OR ESTAB.		RANK OR RATE				
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A.	BR.	RANK.			
30	04	42	30	04	42					9625	1	08	93			
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB.		M.	CODED			CHECKED						
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A.	B.	ST.										
01	11	42	13	12	00											

RCNR Nov. 45 "SHAWINIGAN"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS

PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. William Stefiuk - Father

ADDRESS: 8465 Victoria Drive,
Vancouver, B.C.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. Jennie Stefiuk

ADDRESS: 8465 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B.C.

MEMORIAL BAR

(1) DATE DESP.....

REGN. NO. 361.....

(2)

(3) 6-4-45

D OF D 24-11-44

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

NAVY

D.D.
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

STEFIUK	George	A-3474	Ldg. 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	81597
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	16/1/50
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

MILITIA ACT

M.F.M. 82
480M-8-40 (6652)
H.Q. 1772-39-1773

National Resources Mobilization Act, 1940

ENROLMENT
NON-PERMANENT ACTIVE MILITIA OF CANADA

REGIMENTAL No. K574312

Militia Unit taken On Strength 2nd Batt D.C.O.R.

1. Surname (Block Letters) STEFIK

2. Christian Names (In Full) George

3. Present Address 8465 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B.C.

4. Place of Birth Alberta Date of Birth 16th Feb, 1918

5. Religion Roman Catholic 6. Occupation Fisherman

7. Next-of-Kin Mrs J.A. Stefik Mother

(NAME AND ADDRESS)

8465 Victoria Drive, Vancouver, B.C.

8. Physical Description: Height 5' 3" Weight 123

Color of Eyes Blue Color of Hair Brown

9. Preference, if any, for Naval, Military or Air Force Service. (Give particulars, qualifications, etc.)

Navy

Category 'A' &

Dated this 22nd day of November 19 40

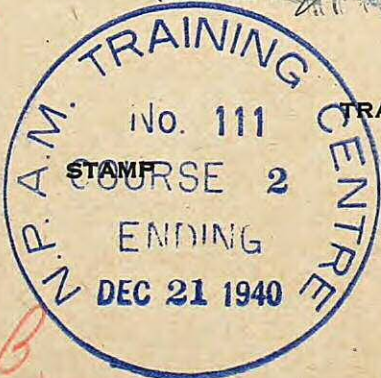
Training Centre No. 111

G Stefik

(SIGNATURE OF MAN)

G.F. Richardson

(SIGNATURE AND RANK OF OFFICER EFFECTING ENROLMENT)



TRAINING CERTIFICATE STAMP



(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AFFIXING THE STAMP)

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21.12.0
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