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ATTESTATION FORM

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME BARRETT OFFICIAL NO. 12346

CHRISTIAN NAMES Arthur Edwin MARRIED, SINGLE or WIDOWER single

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
Suite 2 Whyte Avenue Block, Edmonton,	Presbyterian.

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
May 10th, 1917	Town Lloydminster, County Saskatchewan. Province	(mother) Mrs. Nancy Barrett, Suite 2, Whyte Avenue Blk. Edmonton, Alberta.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet..... 5	Inflated..... 37½	light brown	blue	fair	scar on right wrist.
Inches..... 10½	Deflated..... 34½				
Mean.....	35½				
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY			
May 9th, 1940	Ord. Sea.	Painter,			

(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.~~

* Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO

- (c) I have never been rejected 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.

**Personnel Records
Division.**

1. Noted in Records *h.p.*

2. Index Card *h.p.*

3. Non-Sup. Card *h.p.*

4. Statistical Card *h.p.*

5. Roneo Strip *h.p.*

6. Pension Card *h.p.*

7. _____

8. _____

DATE May 28, 1940

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Edmonton Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for three 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 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.

Dated this 9th day of May 1940.

Signature of applicant Arthur E. Barrett

(C) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING 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 9th day of May, 1940

[Signature]
Signature of Commanding Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

Arthur Edwin Barrett,
I,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 Arthur E. Barrett

Witness [Signature]

Date 9th May 1940 Rank Lt. Cdr. RCNVR

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER

Arthur Edwin Barrett,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 Edmonton Division of the R.C.N.V.R.

[Signature]
Commanding Officer.

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.

TRUE COPY
OF THE
CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Arthur Edwin BARRETT

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number <i>V-12346</i>
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		“

Date of Birth <i>10th May 1917</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
Place of Birth <i>Lloydminster, Saskatchewan</i>	
Place of Residence <i>107-27-108 St., Edmonton, Alta</i>	
Trade brought up to <i>Painter</i>	
Religion <i>Presbyterian</i>	
Can Swim:—P.P.T. () Date 19..... Signature.....	
P.S.T. () Date 19..... Signature.....	

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>1 Apr 40</i>	<i>9 May 40</i>	<i>Hatcheries</i>	<i>O.S.M.</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry.....	<i>5</i>	<i>10 1/2</i>			<i>Light Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Scar on right wrist</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 Arthur Edwin BARRETT.

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
		V.G.	Sat (Officer)	8 Sep 40	
		V.G.	Sat (Officer)	31 Dec 40	
		V.G.	Sat (A/A.B.)	31 Dec 41	
		V.G.	Sat. (A/A.B.)	31 Dec 43	
		V.M.	Sat (A.B.)	29 Apr 44	

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
26 Aug 43	G.C.B.	1st	19088 Granted

TIME FORFEITED

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

V12346

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-B-774

OFFICIAL NUMBER V12346

NAME BARRETT (Surname) Arthur Edwin (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 10 May 1917
 PLACE OF BIRTH Lloydminster, Sask. OCCUPATION Painter
 RELIGION Pres. EDUCATION _____
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. Suite 2, Whyte Ave. Block. Town Edmonton Province, etc. Alta.

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
9	5	40	H.O.	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	L. Br.	Blue	Fair	Scar on Rt. wrist				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Wife NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Clara Barrett
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 460 Gorge Road East Town Edmonton Province, etc. Alta.

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	
			1939-45 Star	18	1	41	Qual. "Tr."				
			Atlantic Star	4	4	41	Qual. Anti Gas.				
			C.V.S.M. (R&C)								
			War Medal 1939-45								

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		
26	8	43	1 GCB (19088)	Granted							

FILM
 NO. 105R 5306-2
 DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED					
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.

O.H.F. Received

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



V12346

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME BARRETT
(Surname)

Arthur Edwin
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V12346

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
Edmonton Div. Str.	Ord. Snn.	9	5	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	40	R. a/S.D.	5	2	41			
Duty Div. Hdqtrs.	" "	25	8	40		V.G.	SAT.	31	12	41	Rel. a/S.D.	16	5	41			
Naden	" "	8	9	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Sans Peur	" "	2	11	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Naden	" "	26	11	40		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Sans Peur	" "	11	3	41													
Naden	" "	4	4	41													
Stadacona	" "	18	4	41													
Venture	" "	6	8	41													
"	A/Able Seaman	26	8	41													
Stadadona	" " "	1	5	42	171554												
H.N.C.S. Star	" " "	2	7	42	D.R.D.												
Amherst	" " "	10	7	42													
Avalon	" " "	4	8	42													
Amherst	" " "	23	9	42													
Niobe	" " "	22	3	43	N.DRD 189												
Athabasca	" " "	3	7	43	N.DRD 189												
"	A.B.	25	8	41	Confirmed (219A-40356)												
DISCHARGED	" "	29	4	44	"Missing" (Casualty List)												

GENERAL REMARKS

Awarded Can. Memorial Cross to:
 Wife: Mrs. Cleo Barrett,
 460 Gorge Rd. E,
 Victoria B.C. on 31-1-45.
 Mother: Mrs. Nancy Bonnyman,
 Ste. 7 Scona Block,
 8205 - 109 St.,
 Edmonton, Alta. on 31-1-45.

Presumed "DEAD" Casualty List Page 63

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL.	ED.	PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT			
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB.	GION			P.	CTY.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A.	BR.	RANK
10	5	17	17	450	0	50	X	8/11	03	0	15	0	08	95		
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.	ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP. CO.	RANK OR RATE					
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A.	BR.	RANK			
09	05	40	25	08	40					0230			08	94		
SENIORITY			STR.	NON-SUB		M.	CODED			CHECKED						
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A.	B.	ST.										
26	08	41	13	33	00	20	29-04-44									

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- Naval Service -
Ottawa, Canada.

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Sir:

..... 4 May, 1944.
(Date)

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME RANK or RATING NAVAL NO.
BARRETT, Arthur Edwin Able Seaman V-12346, R.C.N.V.R.

DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 9 May, 1940. Active Service: 25 August, 1940.

DATE OF DISCHARGE - Will be reported later.

HOSPITAL -
(If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D. P. & N. H.)

SERVICE - Canada & High Seas.
(Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and the high seas or elsewhere.)

Reason for discharge and - "Missing" from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan" which was tor-
when and where any disability pedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel
was incurred, or where death of the 29th of April, 1944. While this casualty is listed as missing, it is impos-
occurred. sible to make an estimate as to his chances of survival. Should no information be
received to the contrary, you will be notified when official presumption of death
with date has been set.

(Show clearly whether death or disability due to enemy action, accident or disease, and whether it occurred in Canada, or on the high seas or elsewhere outside Canada).

NEXT OF KIN & RELATIONSHIP -
RELATIONSHIP- Wife NAME- Mrs. Cleo Barrett,
ADDRESS- 10721 - 108 St., Edmonton, Alberta,

NOTE: If records indicate that rating was separated from his wife, legally or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any Court Order, the separation Agreement, etc., to be furnished,

Copies Form "B" fwd. to Allots. (N) on

..... N.P.R./5.

*Noted
N.P.R.A.
17-3-45
E.L.*

A.B. Money
for
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

EMC

Secretary, Canadian Pension Commission,
Room 228, Daly Building, OTTAWA, Ont.

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5/18/44
NPR/5
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NOTE: Duplicate copies of this form (Form "B") have been forwarded to the Chief Treasury Officer (Allotment Section), Department of National Defence, Naval Service, for completion respecting the details of Marriage Allowance, Dependents Allowance, etc., and subsequent transmission to you.

(See reverse side for further instructions)

TFH/MM

REGISTERED
AIR MAIL
N.S. V-12346 PERS.(N)

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1 May, 1944

Dear Mrs. Barrett:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 1st of May, 1944, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, informing you that your husband, Arthur Edwin Barrett, Able Seaman, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V-12346, is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

According to the report received from overseas, your husband's loss occurred when H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 29th of April, 1944, in the English Channel. Further particulars of this Naval disaster are being published in the newspapers.

While Able Seaman Barrett is reported as "missing", there is a possibility of his survival. It is understood that a number of the crew have been taken prisoners of war by the enemy. The Red Cross have been informed and are attempting to obtain from the German Government a list of those taken. Please be assured that as soon as any further information respecting your husband has been received you will be informed.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy 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,

[Signature]
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Cleo Barrett,
10721-108 St.,
EDMONTON, Alta.

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PERSONNEL NAVAL
MAY 1 1944

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2nd November, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Bonnyman:

With reference to your letter of recent date, it is with regret that I must inform you that since your son, Arthur Edwin Barrett, Able Seaman, Official Number V-12346, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing, no further information has been received of his survival or that he is a prisoner of war.

I wish to assure you, however, that the Department makes every endeavour to discover the fate of missing men and draws upon all likely sources of information about them.

In the case of men who are believed to be prisoners of war continuous efforts are made to speed up the machinery whereby their names and camp addresses can reach this country. The official means is by lists of names prepared by the enemy government. These lists take some time to compile, especially if there is a long journey from the place of capture to a prisoners of war camp. Consequently "capture cards", filled in by the prisoners themselves soon after capture and sent home to their relatives, are often the first news received in this country that a man is a prisoner of war.

Very slight hope is now held, however, that your son is a prisoner of war as the total number of names of men who are known to be prisoners from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" coincides with the number which the Germans claim to have captured from this ship.

Even if no news is received that a missing man is a prisoner of war, endeavours to trace him do not cease. Enquiries are pursued, not only among those who were serving with him, but also through diplomatic channels and the International Red Cross Committee at Geneva. The moment reliable news is obtained from any of these sources it is sent to the Department and is immediately passed on to the next of kin.

Should no information be received to the contrary your son will be presumed dead by the Canadian Naval Authorities at a later date and you will be informed.

May I extend my sincere sympathy in this time of anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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Mrs. Nancy Bonnyman,
Suite 7, Scona Block,
8205 - 109 Street,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

Despatch
Sec. NDate 4
Time

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REGISTERED

N.S. V-12346 Pers.N.

15 January, 1945.

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Dear Mrs. Bonnyman:

Further to my letter of the 2nd November, 1944, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your son, Arthur Edwin Barrett, Able Seaman, Official Number V-12346, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, was reported missing from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN", 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 29th of April, 1944.

May I again 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.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Nancy Bonnyman,
Suite 7, Scona Block,
8205 - 169 Street,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

A.S.

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

Date 15/1/45
Time 1800

Ontario, 8th June, x50.

Dear Mrs. Milino:

Shortly after the sinking of H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN", bodies from this ship were recovered and buried along the coast of Finistere, France, at Brignogan, Plouescat, Santeac and L'Aberwrach. France at the time was under German occupation and in most cases all positive means of identification were taken from the bodies by the Germans. The citizens of the above mentioned French towns looked after the burials and held funeral services.

On the cessation of hostilities the Army Graves Services, Overseas, made searches on the Continent in an effort to locate graves and identify bodies. Exhumation reports, dental records, etc., of casualties from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" have since been turned over by them to the Secretary of the Imperial War Graves Commission, Wooburn House, Wooburn Green, High Wycombe, Bucks., England, who, in turn, has forwarded them to Naval Headquarters with a view to definitely establishing the identity of bodies which were exhumed and over whose graves temporary wooden markers, in some cases have been placed.

As the dental particulars on the exhumation reports respecting the late Able Seaman Arthur Edwin Barrett, Official Number V-12346, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, correspond to those on file at Naval Headquarters, such particulars have been accepted as positive identification.

Able Seaman Barrett's grave is located in the Plouescat Communal Cemetery, Plouescat, Finistere, France, in Plot Number 1, Row 'B', Grave Number 37. His grave has been marked with a temporary wooden marker until such time as a permanent headstone can be erected by the Imperial War Graves Commission (Overseas). It is suggested that any inquiries regarding Able Seaman Barrett's grave should be addressed direct to the Secretary of that Commission.

A snapshot of the grave is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
NAVAL SECRETARY.

Encl.

Mrs. Cleo Milino,
Box 57,
BOWNESS, Alberta.

Despatched by
N. Sec.

.....*M.S.*.....
Date
Time 19-6-50

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) <u>MEDALS</u> <u>PERSON</u> ENTITLED TO	Mrs. Cleo Barrett (Widow) Remarried now MILINO	(1)
ADDRESS:	461 Walter Avenue, Victoria, B.C. 460 Gerge Road, E.	
(2) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> WIDOW	Mrs. Cleo Milino	(2) 31-1-45
ADDRESS:	Box 57, Bowness, Alta.	
(3) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> MOTHER	Mrs. N. Bonnyman	(3) 31-1-45
ADDRESS:	Ste. 7, Scona Block, 8205 - 109th Street, Edmonton, Alta.	

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

Navy

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

BARRETT	Arthur Edwin	V-12346	A.B.	FILE No.
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SURNAME (in block letters)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	UNIT
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WAR SERVICE BADGE (CLASS)	No.	DATE DESPATCHED:
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ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	twice despatched - both times undelivered.
Atlantic Star	<i>#9-4-10-49 and #81 28-6-50.</i>
Africa Star	
CVSM & Clasp	
War Medal 1939-45	

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(The reverse to be used for estate purposes)