

ATTESTATION FORM

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME Dion		official no. 3373
CHRISTIAN NAMES Alber	t Jean Germain MARK	RIED, SINGLE or WIDOWER Single
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408 3rd Avenue, Q	uebec City.	R.C.
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November 27th, 1919	Town Quebec County Quebec Province Quebec	Father: Emile Dion Same Address.

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April 5th, 1939.		Ord. Sea			Truck He Baillerg	lper, geon Express Co.

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:-

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- (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.

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(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.

- (5) On being enrolled as a member of the Quebec Division of 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 Fifth day of April, 1939.

Signature of applicant Lean

CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER (C)

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..... Fifth day of April, 1939.

Signature of Commanding Officer. F.A. Price, Lt-Cdr., R.C.N.V.R.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE (\mathbf{D})

I, Albert Jean Germain Dion 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

Date April 5th, 1939.

Rank Lt-Cdr., R.C.N.V.R.

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

CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER (\mathbf{E})

Albert Jean Germain Dion 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 Quebec

F.A. Price, Lt-Cdr. Commanding Officer. R.C.N.V.R.

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

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

DION, Albert Jean Germain

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AUXILIARY MACHINERY COURSE FOR STOKER RATINGS

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This is to certify that DION, John
First Class Stoker, Official Number. V. 3373 serving in H.M.C.S.
"ROSTHERN" has successfully passed through the
Auxiliary Machinery Watchkeeping Course, as laid down in K.R. and
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A/COMMANDER (E Engineer Officer R.C.N.
Commanding Officer R.C.N

Date 28th AUGUST, 1941.

S. 443 1500—6-40 (5685) N.S. 815–9-443

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(Authority—Art. 603, King's Regulations, 1936)

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Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

(Chri	acin istian names in full)
	Official No. V-3373, R.C.N.V
Place of BirthQuebec, Que.	Date of Birth 27th November, 1919
Occupation in Civil Life Truck Helper	Religion Roman Catholic
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)	om 5th April, 1939 to 29th April, 1944.
Date of Death 29th April, 1944	Place of Death At Sea
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Date on which the above was informed by S	Ship Naval Service Headquarters: 1 May, 1944
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In the case of Imperial Service men, whether	Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the
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N.S. V-3373, F.D. 221, PERS. (N)

24 February, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Albert Jean Germain Dion, Leading Stoker, Official Number V-3373, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing, presumed dead to date the 29th of April, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN", was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel.

SECRETARY, WAVAL BOARD

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Department of National Defence Naval Service

Ottawa, Canada.

OUR FILE N.S. V-3373. PERS. (N)

YOUR FILE

FOR FRENCH TRANSLATION

25 August, 1944.

Dear Mrs. Thivierge:

With reference to your letter of the 7th of August, 1944, I regret to inform you that no information has been received in the Department that your brother is a prisoner of war in German hands.

As the names of those who have been captured from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" are still being received, there is a possibility of your brother's survival. When any news is received in the Department you will be informed immediately.

The names of prisoners of war are passed to the newspapers for publication as soon as next of kin have been informed. However, it is the prerogative of the newspaper as to when and how many of these names are published.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Laurent Thivierge, 1 Hermine Street, QUEBEC, Que.

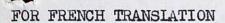




Department of National Defence Naval Service

Ottawa, Canada.

10th October, 1944



Dear Mrs. Thivierge:

I must regretfully inform you that since your brother 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 brother 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 brother will be presumed dead by the Canadian Naval Authorities at a later date.

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

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD

Mrs. Laurent Thivierge 1 rue Hermine QUEBEC, P.Q.



THIS CERTIFICATE IS TO BE COMPILED IN DUPLICATE, THE SECOND COPY BEING FORWARDED TO THE MAN'S DEPOT.

AUXILIARY MACHINERY COURSE FOR STOKER RATINGS

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A/CAPTAIN
Commanding Officer R.C.N.

Date 28th AUGUST, 1941.

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