

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Edmonton Division of the 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 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.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this 29th day of April 1942

Signature of applicant E. Johnson

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING 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 29th day of April, 1942

H. M. Collett Lieut. RCNVR
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Elswood Svein JOHNSON 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 E. Johnson

Witness H. M. Collett

Date 29th April 1942 Rank 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

Elswood Svein JOHNSON 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. or in the appropriate official documents.

H. M. Collett Lieut. RCNVR
Attesting Officer.

29th April 194 2 R.C.N.V.R. Division H.M.C.S. "NONSUCH"
(or other establishment)

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

E. Johnson
Signature

Johnson possesses an Unemployment Insurance Book which will be deposited with the Unemployment Insurance Commission, Edmonton Credit Bldg., Edmonton, when he comes on Active Service.

O.H.F.

IC NS 57374

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Elwood Svein JOHNSON

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number <i>V-16839</i>
	<i>H.M.C.S. "Nonsuch"</i>	"

Date of Birth <i>26th May 1947⁴²</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (In pencil)
Place of Birth <i>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan</i>	<i>Father Svein</i>
Place of Residence <i>11930-94th St. Edmonton, Alberta</i>	<i>10651-113 St.</i>
Trade brought up to <i>Messenger Boy</i>	<i>Edmonton Alta</i>
Religion <i>United Church</i>	<i>30 Oct '42</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>29 Apr '42</i>	<i>Duration of Hostilities</i>	<i>Ord. Smn.</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>31</i>	<i>128</i>	<i>Light Brown</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Mole upper left arm 2 small birth marks on upper right leg</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

V16839

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME JOHNSON
(Surname)

Elswood Svein
(Given Names)

P.I.B.

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V16839

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			-Qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	L	Month	Year
HMS "Nonsuch"	Ord. Smn.	29	4	42	Div. Str. Edmonton	V.G.	Sat.	25	5	42	P/S.D.	14	8	43	2004	6	02
"	"	7	5	42	Active Service	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Naden	"	19	10	42	DRD #66	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Givenchy	"	16	2	43	DRD #576	V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Chatham	"	26	2	43	DRD #632												
"	A/Able Smn.	7	5	43	249A-13104												
Naden	"	10	7	43	DRD #1356												
Stadacona	"	25	8	43	DRD #1511												
York	"	6	11	43	DRD H-3130												
Persian	"	12	11	43	S.C.												
Niobe	"	26	1	44	DRD #395												
Athabaskan	"	19	2	44	DRD #419												
DISCHARGED	"	29	4	44	"Missing" Casualty List.												

"Presumed Dead" per Casualty List. P.#66.

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross Awarded to
Mother: Mrs. Mathilda Johnson,
10651 - 113 Street,
Edmonton, Alta. 19-2-45.

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE OF BIRTH		CIVIL OCCU.		REL. ED.		PERM. RESIDENCE			PREV. ENL.		RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
DY.	MO.	YR.	BIRTH	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB.	GION	A	CTV.	TOWN	SERV.	DIV.	A	BR.	RANK	
26	5	19	19	533	0	403	8/11	03	015	0	08	95				
ENLIST. DATE			ACT. SERV. DATE			STR.			ACT. SERV. DATE			SHIP GR.		RANK OR RATE		
DY.	MO.	YR.	DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	DY.	MO.	YR.	ESTAB.	A	BR.	RANK			
29	04	42	07	05	42					9740	1	08	99			
SENIORITY			STR.		NON-SUB.		M.		CODED			CHECKED				
DY.	MO.	YR.	CAT.	A	B	ST.	Total									
07	05	43	33	00	20	29	04	44								

V16839

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-J-736

OFFICIAL NUMBER V16839

NAME JOHNSON Elswood Svein DATE OF BIRTH 26 May, 1924
 (Surname) (Given Names)
 PLACE OF BIRTH Saskatoon, Sask. OCCUPATION Messenger boy
 RELIGION United EDUCATION Grade 10, part 11, 3 months Night School
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 11930-94th St., 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
29	4	42	H.O.	5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	L. brown	blue	fair	Mole upper left arm 2 little birth marks upper rt. leg.				

NEXT OF KIN, RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs Matilda Johnston
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 10651-113 St. 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	
				23	12	42	"TR"				

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		

FILM
 NO. WAR 5327-2
 DATE

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

O.H.F. Received
 Last Will & Testament:- 20-7-42 Received.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT
 From To

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Mr. D.H. 9

DIVISION **"K"** SUB-DIVISION **EDMONTON** DETACHMENT **S/DIVISION C.I.B. (Intell. Section)**
 PROVINCE **ALBERTA** DATE **JULY 6, 1942**

RE: **Elwood Svein JOHNSON, 11930, 94th Street, Edmonton, Alberta.**

FILE REFERENCES
SECRET

HEADQUARTERS

1. With reference to the above, enquiries have been made locally concerning this applicant. The manager of the N.A.R. Telegraphs was interviewed, as well as other employees at the Telegraph office, and it was learned that during his employment there, Johnson was highly regarded and considered thoroughly loyal.

SUB-DIVISION

42-204/275

2. Prior to working for the N.A.R. Telegraphs, Johnson was employed for Champion's Parcel Delivery for approximately one year. The Manager of this company stated that Johnson was a good worker and had never said anything that would indicate he was anything but loyal. JOHNSON started to work for Champions' immediately after leaving school.

DETACHMENT
22-298

3. This applicant's father lives in Edmonton where he is employed as a salesman, and nothing could be learned that would indicate that he was disloyal.

P. C. R.

Letter O.C.
 R.C.M.V.R.
30-5-42

4. Applicant has no criminal record, and it would appear that there is nothing that would make him an undesirable recruit for the Navy.

CONCLUDED.
HANDED OVER TO DEPARTMENT CONCERNED.

O. C. "K" DIVISION, EDMONTON.
 Sir: FORWARDED.

JUL 6 - 1942

J. M. Lapointe D/Cpl.
 (J. M. Lapointe) Reg. No. 10339
 Supp. i/c Sub-Div. Intell. Section
 Commanding Edmonton Sub-Division.

A. R. V. No.

The Commissioner,
 R.C.M. Police,
 OTTAWA, Ont.

Sir:

FORWARDED for your information with copies of Lieutenant Crawford's memorandum of the 30th June, 1942. The Commanding Officer of the R.C.M.V.R. at Edmonton has been advised of the result of this investigation.

CASE CONCLUDED: HANDED OVER

DIARY DATE

Edmonton
8-7-42
 P/JF

J. D. Bird, Supt.,
 i/c "K" Division, C.I.B.

AT FOR

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

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Naval Service

30th May, 1942.

Naval Barracks,
9722 - 102nd Street,
Edmonton, Alberta.

From: The Commanding Officer,
H.M.C.S. "Nonsuch",
Edmonton, Alberta.

To: The Officer Commanding,
"RK" Division, R.C.M.P.,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Re: Eiswood Svein Johnson, 11930-94th Street, Edmonton.

The above named has been enrolled in this Division as Ordinary Seaman and, as he is of Icelandic and Danish parentage, a report as to his loyalty and suitability for the Naval Service is requested.

Johnson's father was born in Winnipeg, Man., of Icelandic parents and his mother was born in Denmark. Johnson was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, May 26th, 1924.

This man was in the employ of the Northern Alberta Railways at the time of his enlistment, having worked as telegraph messenger since Sept. 15th, 1941. He is at present on Active Service at this Division and will be drafted to the West Coast late in June.

DBD:B



(G.L.Crawford)
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.,
for Commanding Officer,
H.M.C.S. "Nonsuch".
(absent on leave)

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

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H.M.C.S. NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, Ottawa, Ont.

Name JOHNSON Elswood Svein (Christian names in full)

Rank or Rating Able Seaman Official No. V-16839 Unit R.C.N. R.C.N.R. R.C.N.V.R.

Place of Birth Saskatoon, Sask. Date of Birth 26th May, 1924

Occupation in Civil Life Messenger Boy Religion United

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) From 29th April, 1942 to 20th April, 1944

Date of Death 20th April, 1944 Place of Death At Sea.

Cause of Death Blowing, presumed dead, when H.M.C.S. "ATLANTIC" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the English Channel. (If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

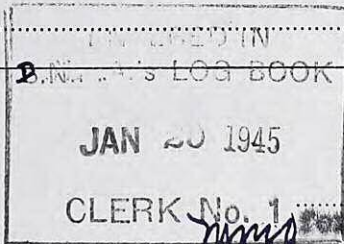
Nearest known relative or friend Name Mrs. Mathilda Johnson Relationship Mother Address 10821-115 St. Saskatoon, Alta.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship 1 May, 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



H.B. Money (Commanding Officer) emc

The SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, Department of National Defence, Ottawa, Canada.

Date JAN 12 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/DJW.

R E G I S T E R E D

A I R M A I L

NS V-16839. (Pers.N.)

1 May, 1944.

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Dear Mrs. Johnson:

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 son, Elswood Svein Johnson, Able Seaman, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, Official Number V-16839, is missing from H.M.C.S. "Athabaskan".

According to the report received from overseas, your son'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 Johnson 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 son 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 son has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

LETTER dispatched by
PERSONNEL NAVAL
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.
MAY 1944

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Mrs. Mathilda Johnson,
10651 - 113 Street,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

LA/JM

REGISTERED

AIR MAIL

N.S. V-16839 Pers.(N)

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13th January, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

Further to my letter of the 10th October, 1944, I regret to inform you that in view of the length of time which has elapsed since your son, Elswood Svein Johnson, Able Seaman, Official Number V-16839, 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. Mathilda Johnson,
10651 - 113 Street,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

Despatched by
Sec. N. B.

Date 15/1/45
Time 1800

DECEASED 29 April 1944

NAVY

D.D.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

JOHNSON

Elswood Svein

V-16839

A.B.

FILE No.

V-2311

SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

CHRISTIAN NAMES

REG. No.

RANK ON DISCHARGE

C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

Request

CAMPAIGN MEDALS

REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED

1939-45 Star

Medals RET'd undeliv'd RET'd to stock

C.V.S.M. & Clasp

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War Medal

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(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

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RCNVR Aug. 45 "ATHABASKAN"
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH.

(1) <u>MEDALS</u> <u>PERSON</u> ENTITLED TO Mrs. Mathilda Johnson - Mother	<i>Hold sending Application 5-6-50</i> (1)
ADDRESS: 10651 - 113th Street, Edmonton, Alta. 18.1.45	
(2) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> WIDOW	(2)
ADDRESS:	
(3) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> MOTHER Mrs. M. Johnson	(3) 19 February 1945
ADDRESS: 10651 - 113 Street EDMONTON, Alta.	