

HISTORY

Moved from South Wales to Vermillion, Alberta in March 1919 thence to Langley Prairie, British Columbia in August of 1933.

Attended Langley High School 1934 - 1938 completing Junior Matriculation in June 1938.

Competed in the B.C. Provincial Amateur Boxing from 1936 to 1939. Approximately 21 bouts. Won Silver Medal - B.C. Flyweight Championship - September 1936.

Entered the Royal Canadian Navy January 19, 1940 with rating of Victualling Assistant.

Work included purchase of food stuffs; menu planning; butchery; control and accounting for uniform clothing, loan clothing etc.

Official Number on Lower Deck was 40644 - Officer - 0-59977.

Promoted to Leading Victualling Assistant December 1, 1940.

Assigned to H.M.C.S. "Hamilton" in charge of Victualling and Naval Stores.

"Hamilton" was an American Navy Four Stack (1919) Destroyer. Seven of which were obtained through Prime Minister Winston Churchill from the U.S.A. in return for shore side Bases - Facilities in Bermuda, Cuba and Newfoundland.

Passed Professionally for Petty Officer, September 8, 1941. Promoted to Victualling Petty Officer October 1, 1941. Remained on H.M.C.S. "Hamilton" which engaged in Convoy duty in the North Atlantic, South Eastern Atlantic off U.S. Shores and the Caribbean Sea. Served on the "Hamilton" from October 1940 to October 1942.

Transferred from Hamilton to His Majesty's Victualling Yard in charge of checking office which monitored the provision accounts for Canadian Ships operating in the North Atlantic Convoys.

Passed Professionally for Victualling Chief Petty Officer May 18, 1942.

Promoted Victualling Chief Petty Officer October 1, 1943.

Passed Higher educational exams March 18 and 19, 1943.

Passed written exams for Warrant Supply Officer Permanent Force, November 1, 1943.

Temporarily transferred in February 1944 to Naval Service Headquarters Ottawa for the assigned task of Auditing all Provision Accounts, Naval Stores Accounts commencing from the start of World War 11 and to continue there to future operations. This project employed two groups of 25 each. The project lasted three months. Upon completion returned to Victualling Yard H.M.C.S. "Stadacona" in April 1944.

Promoted to Acting Warrant Supply Officer May 15, 1944.

Appointed to H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" Nova Scotia May 22, 1944 for Officers training course.

Returned to H.M.C.S. "Stadacona" June 10, 1944 for temporary duty in base clothing store.

Appointed July 10, 1944 to H.M.C.S. "Somers Isles" Bermuda as Officer in Charge of Victualling and Naval Stores Control Office.

Confirmed to the rank of Warrant Supply Officer on May 15, 1945.

Appointed October 16, 1945 to Point Edward Naval Base, Sydney, Nova Scotia as Officer in Charge Naval Victualling Depot.

Promoted to Lieutenant (Supply) and Re-Appointed to Point Edward Naval Base on January 1, 1946.

Appointed H.M.C.S. "Naden" Supply School April 30, 1946 as Senior Divisional Officer and Victualling Instructor.

Appointed H.M.C.S. "Naden" as Canteen Officer on August 18, 1947.

Appointed H.M.C.S. "Swansea" (Frigate) April 4, 1949 as Supply Officer.

Completed Professional Exams for Lieutenant Commander (Supply) November 20, 1949.

Appointed H.M.C.S. "Micmac" (Tribal Destroyer) November 16, 1949 as Supply Officer.

Appointed May 15, 1950 to Naval Radio Station Churchill, Manitoba as Supply Officer.

Appointed H.M.C.S. Donnacona August 4, 1952 in Montreal, Quebec for duty in Naval Supply Depot, Ville La Salle, as Plant Supply Officer and Stock Control Officer.

Awarded Canadian Forces Decoration in recognition of 12 years service in Permanent Royal Canadian Navy, January 19, 1952.

*Promoted to Lieutenant Commander (S) R.C.N. on January 1, 1954.
Seniority as L/Cdr adjusted to November 3, 1953.*

Appointed to H.M.C.S. "Stadacona" July 19, 1954 on staff of Flag Officer Atlantic Coast as Assistant Secretary.

Appointed to H.M.C.S. "Magnificent" (Aircraft Carrier) as Flag Secretary to the Senior Canadian Officer, Admiral E. P. Tisdale, August 16, 1955.

Appointed H.M.C.S. Stadacona on Staff of Flag Officer Atlantic Coast September 20, 1956 (Admiral H. F. Pullen as Inspector of Supply and Fleet Accounting Atlantic Coast).

Appointed H.M.C.S. "Bytown" (Naval Service Headquarters) August 3, 1959 for duty with the Supply Officer in Chief as Director of Personnel Stores.

Appointed H.M.C.S. Stadacona September 5, 1961, Additional on Staff of Base Superintendent, Sydney as Officer in Charge of Naval Supply Depot, Sydney.

Awarded Bar to Canadian Forces Decoration January 19, 1962 in recognition of 20 years service in the Royal Canadian Navy.

Appointed H.M.C.S. "Bytown" Naval Headquarters August 3, 1964 as Assistant Director Material Allowance Lists on Staff of Director Material Supply (Technical) Services.

Appointed Maritime Command Headquarters (Victoria) August 1, 1967 for duty with Chief of Staff Technical Services as Senior Staff Officer Supply.

Released from Active Service March 26, 1970. Placed on Retired List.