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# ATTESTATION FORM

## FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME HARKER OFFICIAL NO. ....

CHRISTIAN NAMES JAMES SHARP MARRIED, SINGLE or WIDOWER SINGLE

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
Mount Edward Apt., Vancouver St., Vict. B.C.	C of E

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
Sept 6-20	Town <u>Alert Bay</u> County Province <u>B.C.</u>	(F) <u>J.E. Harker</u> Mount Edward Apt. Vancouver St Victoria, B.C

### PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <u>6 6</u>	Inflated <u>38 38</u>	<u>brown</u>	<u>brown</u>	<u>fresh</u>	<u>burn scar right forearm</u>
Inches <u>2 2</u>	Deflated <u>35 35</u>	<u>brown</u>	<u>brown</u>	<u>fresh</u>	<u>Burn scar right forearm</u>
	Mean <u>36 1/2 36 1/2</u>				

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
Sept 15-39	Act Tel	Wireless Op.

### (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 Royal Can Corps Sig. 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
<u>R.C.G.S.</u>	<u>Signalman</u>	<u>April 1936</u>	<u>Sept 1939</u>

- (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 ..... Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for ~~three consecutive years~~ <sup>duration of hostilities</sup> 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 15th day of September 1939

Signature of applicant J. S. Harker

(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 15th day of September 1939

[Signature]  
Signature of Commanding Officer  
[Signature]

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, James Sharp Harker 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 J. S. Harker

Witness .....

Date Sept 15-39 Rank .....

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER

James Sharp Harker 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 ..... Division of the R.C.N.V.R.

[Signature]  
Commanding Officer  
[Signature]

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.

V30011 OFFICIAL NUMBER NAME HARKER James Sharp (Surname) (Given Names) OFFICIAL NUMBER V30011

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
Naden	A/Tel	15	9	39		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	39	T.O.W/T	21	7	41			
Restigouche	Tel.	15	11	39		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	40	W/T 3	16	8	41			
Stadacona	"	9	12	39		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41							
Arleux	"	14	2	40		V.G.		13	9	42							
Venture	"	16	5	40													
Stadacona	"	17	5	40													
Reindeer	"	1	8	40													
Elk	"	6	12	40													
Stadacona for Sig. School	"	10	7	41													
Ottawa	"	26	8	41													
	A/Ldg.Tel.(Ty)	20	1	41													
	Ldg.Tel.(Ty)	20	1	42	Confirmed (249A#21730)												
DISCHARGED	"	13	9	42	"Missing believed killed in action. Casualty List."												

GENERAL REMARKS

To Rockhead Hosp. PM 20-5-42--PM 21-5-42.

Awarded Canadian Memorial Cross, to mother, Mrs. Ethel May Marshall, 1431 Hamilton Road, Victoria, B.C. 5-1-1943.

BY	NO.	DATE	ACT. SERV. DATE	STR.	NON-SUB	INT.	ST.	REMARKS
06	9	20	18	535	030	X1905	10	9/13
15	09	39	15	09	39			
20	01	42	09	52				20/13-09-42

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V30011

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

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OFFICIAL NUMBER V30011

NAME HARKER James Sharp DATE OF BIRTH 6 Sept. 1920  
 (Surname) (Given Names)  
 PLACE OF BIRTH Alert Bay, B.C. OCCUPATION Wireless operator  
 RELIGION C. of E. EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. Mount Edward Apt. Vancouver St. town Victoria, 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
15	9	39	H.O.	6' 2"	brown	brown	fresh	Burn scar rt. forearm	Royal Can. Corps Sig.		4/36	9/39

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs J E Harker  
 ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 859 Richmond Ave Town Victoria 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	
				7	11	39	Passed E.T. "One" RCN				

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. WAA 5538-4**  
**DATE**

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

O.H.F. Received

W.S.G. APPLICATION 11296 RECEIVED 9/14/45

NAME IN FULL HARKER James Sharp RANK/RATING Lt Jcb

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	QUALIFY		
	FROM	TO	DAYS		FROM	TO	1939
	15-9-39						
<u>Restigouche</u>	<u>15-11-39</u>	<u>8-12-39</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>atl</u>			
<u>Reindeer</u>	<u>1-8-40</u>	<u>5-12-40</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>atl</u>			
<u>Clk</u>	<u>6-12-40</u>	<u>9-7-41</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>atl</u>			
<u>Ottawa</u>	<u>26-8-41</u>	<u>13-9-42</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>atl</u>			
<u>Despatch (HMS Ottawa)</u>							
	<u>to date</u>	<u>13-9-42</u>					

VERIFIED BY C. Maxwell

VERIFIED BY .....

VERIFICATION FORM

STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.  
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

*sp* RANK/RATING *Lt* OFF. NO. *V 30011* ADDRESS .....

AREA	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS						STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
	FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.			
							1939-45	1	<i>Star</i>
<i>atl</i>							ATLANTIC	1	<i>Star</i>
<i>atl</i>							FRANCE G.		
<i>atl</i>							AFRICA		
<i>atl</i>							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	<i>Clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	<i>Medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *C. New*  
*Gen.*

VERIFIED BY ..... DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

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# TRUE COPY

OF THE

## CERTIFICATE of the Service of

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.

*HARKER, James Sharp*

IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

<i>Esquimalt</i>	Official Number <i>V-30011</i>
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Date of birth <i>6 Sep. 1920</i>	Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil)
Where born { Province <i>B.C.</i>	Name: <i>Ann</i>
{ Town or county <i>Alert Bay</i>	Relationship: <i>Mother</i>
Trade brought up to <i>Wireless Operator</i>	Address: <i>854 Richmond Rd. Victoria, B.C.</i>
Religious denomination <i>C. of E.</i>	
Date passed swimming test <i>19/10/34. (Good)</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>15 Sep 1939</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	Com-plexion	
On entry <del>as a boy</del> .....	<i>6</i>	<i>2</i>		<i>Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Fresh</i>	<i>Burn scar</i>
On advancement to man's rating or on entry under 28 years.....							<i>right forearm.</i>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary.....							









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Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters  
REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY



H.M.C.S. ... "NAVIGATOR" ..... at .. St. John's, Newfoundland .....

Name (Cristian names in full) .. HARKER, James Harry .....

Rank or Rating ... Lt. Col. (sp) ..... Official Number .. ~~XXXXXX~~ 4-30011 ..  
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of birth .. Alert Bay, B.C. .... Date of birth .. 6th. September 191

Occupation in Civil Life .. Wireless Operator ..... Religion ... C. of E. ....

Number of years service in the Navy (Long Service R.C.N. or mobilized  
service in the case of R.C.N. (Temp) Reserve ratings)  
..... 2 years 334 days (Active Service) .....

Date of Death .. 13th. September 1942 .. Place of Death .. At Sea .....

Cause of Death .. Enemy action - loss of H.M.C.S. "OTAWA" .....

Nearest known relative of friend } Name ... Mrs. Ann Harker ..... Relationship ... Mother .....  
Address 859 Richmond Road .....  
..... Victoria, B.C. ....

Date on which the above was informed by ship ..... Not known .....

Date on which death was registered with local Officials .. Not known .....

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  
.....

Place of Burial .. No burial ..... Date of Burial .....  
(If known) (If known)

Location, Number etc. of Grave .....  
(If known)

Undertaker employed .....  
(If any)

If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalidated .....

Lieutenant Commander R.C.N.  
COMMANDING OFFICER

.. 9th. October 1942 .. 19 .....

The Secretary  
Naval Board, Ottawa, Canada

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.

C.N.S. 1121

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
- Naval Service -

Ottawa, Canada,

.....25 September, 1942.....  
(Date)

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Sir:

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME RANK or RATING NAVAL NO.  
HARKER, James Sharp Leading Telegraphist, V.30011, R.C.N.V.R.  
DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 15 September, 1939.  
DATE OF DISCHARGE - 13 September, 1942.

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 on high seas or elsewhere).

Reason for discharge and when and where any disability was incurred, or where death occurred, "DEAD". Missing, believed killed in action. He was on board H.M.C.S. "OTTAWA".

(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 Father NAME Mr. Jas. E. Harker  
ADDRESS 859 Richmond Avenue, VICTORIA, B.C.

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.

OFFICER'S OR RATING'S MONTHLY PAY ALLOTTED TO WIFE AND/ OR DEPENDENT -  
\$ 25.00 PAID TO Father (still in force)  
MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE AT \$ nil PER DIEM PAID TO - nil  
DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE AT \$ nil PAID TO nil  
TOTAL MONTHLY PAYMENT TO - WIFE \$ nil

Computed by [Signature] DEPENDENTS \$ 25.00  
Checked by [Signature]

[Signature]  
SECRETARY,  
NAVAL BOARD.

The Secretary,  
The Canadian Pension Commission.

(See reverse side for further instructions.)

Copy to: The Sec., D.P. & N.H.

LA:FMW

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17th October, 1942.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information James Sharp Harker, Leading Telegraphist, Official Number V-30011, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing, believed killed in action to date the 13th of September, 1942. He was on board H.M.C.S. "OTTAWA", which has been reported lost.

*JH*

Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

*(20)*

*FMW*

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19th September, 1942.

AIR MAIL

Dear Sir:

It is with deep regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 18th September from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services informing you that your son, James Sharp Harker, Leading Telegraphist, (Temporary), R.C.N.V.R., O.N.V.30011, is missing believed killed in action.

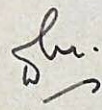
It is in the public interest that the name of his ship and the fact that she has been in action should not find its way to the enemy until such time as it is decided to publish the fact in a Naval Casualty List. It is therefore requested that this news, other than the fact that your son is missing, may be treated as confidential.

Please allow me to express sincere sympathy with you in your bereavement on behalf of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, 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,

  
Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mr. Jas. E. Harker,  
859 Richmond Avenue,  
VICTORIA, B.C.



DUPLICATE  
ATTESTATION

H-626

NON-PERMANENT ACTIVE MILITIA OF CANADA

UNIT 11TH DIVISIONAL SIGNALS REGT. No. 440

1. What is your surname? (Block letters) HARKER
2. What are your Christian names? James Sharp
3. What is your present address? 3812 W. 16th Phone No. B. 5486 X.
4. Employer's name and address? Phone No.
5. Date of Birth 6/9/20 6. (a) Country of Birth Canada (b) Nationality British
7. Are you Single? Yes Married? Widower?
8. What is your trade or calling? Student 9. Religious persuasion? C. of E.
10. Previous Naval, Military or Air Force Service.  
Give particulars, qualifications, etc.
11. Name, Relationship and Address of Next of Kin Mother  
As above

294432

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Height 6 ft 1 1/2" Weight 155 Chest max 37 min. 33 1/2  
Descriptive marks.

I have examined the above named man in accordance with instructions laid down in Regulations for the Canadian Medical Services and find him fit Category "A"  
Date January 26th, 1937 Signature W.E. Harrison

DECLARATION TO BE MADE ON ATTESTATION

I, the undersigned James Sharp Harker do sincerely and solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above answers to the foregoing questions made and signed by me are true; that I am willing to be attested for the term of three years or until legally discharged, and do understand the nature and terms of this engagement, that I will safeguard all clothing, arms and equipment issued to me and will return same when required, and that I will report any change in address of myself, my employer or my next of kin to my Commanding Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN

I, James Sharp Harker do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

W.R. Strouger, Capt. Signature of Witness James Harker Signature of Man

Dated this twenty-ninth day of January 1937 at Vancouver

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

The recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answers to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished by law. The above questions were then read to the recruit

## Statement of Services

Promotions, Reductions, Transfers, Casualties, Annual Training, Qualification Certificates, etc.	Effective Date	Authority for Entry	Signatures of Officers Certifying Correctness of entries
Accepted for Service with effect from.....  Re-attested. . . .	29/1/37		..... Officer Commanding <b>11th Divisional Signal</b> Unit.....
Attended Dundurn Camp,	1937	, 1938.	
L/T.I. #8592. . . . S. O. S	.31/3/38. 14/4/39	D.O.135/38 Pt II # 11 17/4/39.	
Medals and Decorations			




# ACTIVE MILITIA.

## CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE.

**This Certifies that**..... *Signon, James S. Harker*.....  
of *687 Island Road*..... *County of Victoria*.....  
*Province of British Columbia*..... *Dominion of Canada*, aged  
..... *19*..... *years, served continuously in 11th Fortress Signal*.....  
..... *Company, R.C. Signals (N.P.)*.....  
of *Active Militia of Canada*, from the *18th*..... *day of April*.....  
*19 39*....., to the *13th*..... *day of September*..... *19 39*....., and is  
*now discharged therefrom.*

*Dated at Victoria, B.C.*.....  
*the 14th day of Sept.*.....  
*19 39*.....

  
..... *Captain, Major*  
*Commanding No. 11 Fortress Signal Company.*  
..... *Lieut. Colonel,*  
*Commanding*.....

N.B.—The second signature is only required when the Corps is in Squadron, Brigade or Battalion.

M. F. B. 350.

30M.—5-17.  
H. Q. 1772—39—62.

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR Apr. 43 "OTTAWA"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. James E. Harker - Father

859 Richmond Ave.,  
VICTORIA, B.C.

ADDRESS:

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER

Mrs. J. E. Harker

859 Richmond Road  
VICTORIA, B.C.

ADDRESS:

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)

DATE DESP

REGN. NO.

567.

(2)

(3) 5 January 1943

DECEASED 13 September 1942

AWARDS NAVY

D.D.

HARKER	James Sharp	V-30011	L/Tel.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICEBADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	
Atlantic Star	2499.
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)