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LEARD
WELLESLEY

EVERE



CANADA

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15M-2-40 (4047)
N.S. 815-11-5

ICE
JUL 31 1940
NO. 1137-539
CANADA

ATTESTATION FORM

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FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME *Leard &* OFFICIAL NO. *V-2456*

CHRISTIAN NAMES *Wellesley Everett* MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER *single*

PERMANENT ADDRESS *Spence Ave East Saint John* RELIGION *United Church*

DATE OF BIRTH *16th Feb 1921* PLACE OF BIRTH *Windsor N.S.* NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN *Mrs J E Leard (mother) Spence Ave E Saint John*

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <i>5</i>	Inflated <i>37</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Mole size of quarter on right elbow</i>
Inches <i>6</i>	Deflated <i>33</i>				
	Mean <i>34</i>				

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<i>25/7/40</i>	<i>Ord Seaman</i>	<i>Painter</i>

(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 *15th Hvy Bty 3rd Coast Bde* 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
<i>3rd Coast Bde RCA</i>	<i>Seaman</i>	<i>27th June 1939</i>	<i>1st Sept 1939</i>

- (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.

Noted in Records *E.D.*

2. Index Card *E.D.*

3. Non-Sub. Card *E.D.*

4. Statistical Card *E.D.*

5. Roneo Strip *H.L.*

6. Pension Card

7.

8.

DATE *2 August 1940*

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Saint John 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 25th day of July 1940

Signature of applicant Wellesley E. Leard

(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 25th day of July 1940

Paul B Cross
Signature of Commanding Officer.

CDR, R.C.N.V.R. (TEMP)

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Wellesley Evert Leard 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 Wellesley E. Leard

Witness Paul B Cross

Date 25th July 1940

Rank CDR, R.C.N.V.R. (TEMP)

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF DIVISIONAL COMMANDING OFFICER

Wellesley Evert Leard 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 Saint John Division of the R.C.N.V.R.

Paul B Cross
Commanding Officer.

CDR, R.C.N.V.R. (TEMP)

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.

V2456

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-L-539

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V2456

NAME

LEARD
(Surname)Wellesley Everett
(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH

16th February, 1921.

PLACE OF BIRTH

Windsor, N.S.

OCCUPATION

Painter

RELIGION

United Church.

EDUCATION

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

Spruce Ave,

Town

East St John

Province, etc.

N.B.

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
25	7	40	H.O.	5' 6	Brown	Brown	Fair	Mole size of quarter on right elbow.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

Mother
Spruce Ave

NAME (in pencil)

Mrs J E Leard

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Town

Province, etc.

N.B.

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	
				28	9	40	Marked "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		
					"Sambro"	2	7	8	41	Improper leave. 2. Improper leave.	28 days detention.
					"Captor II"	35	4	5	42	Cause a disturbance. 2-Improperly dressed ashore.	42 days detention.

FILM
NO. NSP-5146-1
DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED					
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.
7	8	41		28				
4	8	41				1		
4	5	42		42				

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



VERIFICATION FORM
 CAMPAIGN STARS, DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.
 NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

NAME IN FULL HEARD, G. W. S. E. G. RANK/RATING A. B. OF

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	QUALIFYING PER		
	FROM	TO	DAYS		FROM	TO	1939-45 ATLA
<i>St John Div</i>	<i>12-8-40</i>	<i>21-8-40</i>	<i>10</i>				
<i>Reindeer</i>	<i>3-1-41</i>	<i>23-5-41</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>Atlantic</i>			
<i>Leithbridge</i>	<i>5-7-41</i>	<i>31-8-41</i>	<i>58</i>	<i>(C-P-1)(D-25)M.</i>			
<i>Durford</i>	<i>2-9-41</i>	<i>7-2-42</i>	<i>159</i>	<i>Atlantic</i>			
<i>Avalon</i>	<i>8-2-42</i>	<i>16-4-42</i>	<i>68</i>	<i>NF.</i>			
<i>Zosces</i>	<i>12-6-42</i>	<i>15-6-42</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Atlantic</i>			
<i>Murray Stewart</i>	<i>7-7-42</i>	<i>17-7-42</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>Atlantic</i>			
<i>Discharged: "Missing" presumed</i>							
<i>drowned. To date</i>							
<i>27-11-42</i>							

VERIFIED BY *[Signature]*

VERIFIED BY

VERIFICATION FORM
 DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
 NATIONAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RATING *A.B.* OFF. NO. *X-2476* ADDRESS

QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS							STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.	1915 MEDAL			
							1939-45	/	<i>Star</i>
<i>ntic</i>							ATLANTIC	/	<i>Star</i>
<i>-25) M.</i>							FRANCE G.		
<i>ntic</i>							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
<i>ntic</i>							BURMA		
<i>ntic</i>							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	<i>@ Clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	/	<i>Medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *G. Sharpe*

BY DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

SERVICE CERTIFICATE

N. V. No. 17
3M-10-39 (2176)
N.S. 815-11-17

OF

Name in full Wellesley Everett LEARD Company Saint John Division

ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

Training Headquarters	H A L I F A X	Official Number <u>V-2456</u>
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Date of Birth 16th February, 1921

Place of Birth Windsor, N.S.

Usual Place of Residence Spruce Ave., East Saint John N.B.

Trade brought up to Painter

Name and Address of next of kin Mrs J E Leard (Mother) same address.

Religious Denomination United Church 3/11/41

Can Swim _____

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE

DATE OF ACTUAL VOLUNTEERING	DATE OF ENROLMENT	PERIOD VOLUNTEERED FOR	RATING ON ENROLMENT	MEDALS, DECORATIONS, ETC.	
				DATE RECEIVED	NATURE OF DECORATION
<u>4th June 1940</u>	<u>25/7/40</u>	<u>Hostilities</u>	<u>Ord: Smn</u>		

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION

	HEIGHT		COMPLEXION	HAIR	EYES	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	FEET	INCHES				
On Entry	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Mole size of quarter left elbow</u>
On attaining 28 years						
Further Description if necessary						

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR -May /43

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

DATE DESP

(1) REGN. NO

518

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. James E. Leard - Father

ADDRESS: Spruce Avenue,
East St. John, N.B.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. J. E. Leard

ADDRESS: Spruce Avenue
EAST SAINT JOHN, N.B.

(2)

(3) 19 March 1943

DECEASED 27 November 1942

D.D.

LEARD	Wellesley Everett	A.B.	V-2456	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICEBADGE

CLASS)

No. Nil

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	
	2513

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. **"CAPTOR II"** at **SAINT JOHN, N.B.**

Name **WELLESLEY EVERETT LEARD**
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating **ABLE SEAMAN** Official No. **V-2456**
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth **WINDSOR, N.S.** Date of Birth **16 FEBRUARY, 1921**

Occupation in Civil Life **PAINTER** Religion **UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

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) **2 years, 3 months, & 15 days.**

Date of Death **27 November, 1942.** Place of Death **Courtenay Bay, East St. John, N.B.**

Cause of Death **Accidental Drowning.**
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Particulars not yet known.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name **Mrs. J.E. Leard** Relationship **Mother.**
Address **Spruce Avenue.**
East Saint John, N. B.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship **28 November, 1942.**

Date on which death was registered with local Officials

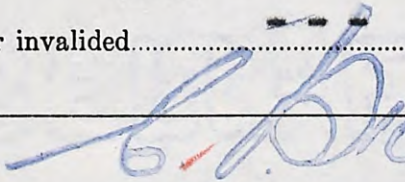
In the case of Imperial Service men, whether Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to Nationality

Place of Burial (if known) Date of Burial (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave (if known)

Undertaker employed (if any)

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


CAPTAIN, R.C.N.R.
Commanding Officer, "CAPTOR II"
28 November, 1942

The NAVAL SECRETARY,
Department of National Defence,
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.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

3.2.53.

(Naval Service)

FROM: SUB-LIEUT. FRED C. MOORE, OFFICER OF OPERATIONS.

DATE: 27th NOVEMBER, 1942. REF. NO. S.J. 4-6.
S.J. 2-L-43.

TO: NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, SAINT JOHN, N.B.

REPORT OF THE ACCIDENTAL DROWNING OF A.B. LEARD, V-2456.

At 1800P/27 the following four ratings proceeded to relieve the guard watch on the CD110 at the Imperial Oil Dock in Courtenay Bay:

- ① Sto. I James Wright A5389 ✓
- ② Sto. I Lindsay Beyor V23700 - *name Charles*
- ③ O.D. William Wenting V31010 - *middle name Arthur*
- A.B. Wellesley Leard V2456
Everett

④ C.P.O. McGinnis reported that he had taken them to the CD110, arriving there about 1820, and he also stated that they were sober, and that the only sign of liquor was the fact that one of the ratings had a small flask of whiskey, which McGinnis told him he should not have. The reply was that it could do no harm to anyone, and so Vigil returned to Reed's Point.

At 1925 the City Police received a call from some of the Diamond Construction Company's employees, who are constructing the new docks there, that some men were involved in an accident to a boat near their wharf. ⑤ Sgt. Det. Kilpatrick and Sgt. Ross of the City Police answered the call and investigated. ⑥ P.O. Conway, i/c of the Shore Patrol, took the wagon and driver to assist the Police, as a stretcher was available. On arriving at the scene, Sto. Beyor was found in the bunkhouse of the Construction Co. Beyor stated that he was one of three ratings who attempted to come ashore in a dory from the CD110, where they were supposed to be on duty. The dory capsized some 100 yards or so from the CD110. Beyor was taken to the St. James Military Hospital for treatment, where he is recovering from slight shock and who will be released in a day or so. Sto. Wright had been rescued by a Motor Boat owned by the Construction Company, and had been taken to the same hospital for treatment. He was sent home by station-wagon and told to rest. *(Perkins)*

At 2015, P.O. Conway came aboard the Base to inform the O.O.O. of what had occurred, and that he feared A.B. Leard was lost. The O.O.O. first tried to contact Capt. Stuart by telephone, but there was no answer. Next he contacted the S.B.A. (L/S.B.A. Williamson), who was told to contact the doctor and acquaint him of what had occurred, which he did. Lt. Keene was informed next, followed by Lieut. Black. The latter said he would attempt to contact Capt. Stuart, but on coming on board the Base at 2030, Lieut. Black reported that he had not contacted N.O.I.C. Lieut. Williams was next notified, and

- ④ C.P.O. Edward Thomas McGinnis A589
- ⑤ P.O. John ^{Lewis} Conway V2216

he ordered the crew of the standby duty boat, the Captor (Chief Skipper Durant), to be recalled and proceed to Reed's Point at once. P.O. Conway was detailed to pick up three men from the duty watch at the barracks, and bring them to the CD110 to replace the men who had left their posts.

At 2020, while carrying out the regular Harbour Patrol, C.P.O. McGinnis stopped at the CD110. There was practically no wind, and McGinnis noticed some men ashore on the beach with flashlights, so he moored his boat to the CD110 and went aboard her. Seeing no sign of anyone on deck, he sung out to the men on shore, enquiring what they were doing. Sgt. Det. Kilpatrick replied that he was looking for a body. C.P.O. McGinnis then found O.D. Wenting on board and in his bunk. He was asked where the crew was, and his reply was that he didn't know. He was asked if they went ashore, and his reply was that he heard them talking about it before he turned in. Wenting later said that the four had agreed that he (Wenting) was to stand the last watch, so he had turned in. As far as can be gathered, the three of them went ashore about 1845. The C.P.O. then noticed the dory, which had been brought to the CD110 three days before, upside down and tied to the barge. C.P.O. McGinnis then asked the Police for a grappling iron, and he began to grapple for the body in the dory belonging to the Vigil. This operation continued until 2245.

At 2100 Capt. Stuart was informed of the accident at 2115, Lieut. Black and Lieut. Williams went with the Captor to assist the Vigil in grappling for the body, this operation ceasing at 2245. Two men from the Construction Company and their Motor Boat searched this area as well.

On investigation, the watchman, Mr. William Laird, heard shoutings from the direction of the barge, so he gave the alarm. At the time the tide was running out, as low water was at 2047.

Based upon an interview with Mr. Burton Smith and a Mr. Benoit, the two Construction Company employees who were running the Motor Boat, Sto. Beyor and A.B. Leard started to swim for the shore from a point 100 yards or so from the CD110, where the dory capsized. Sto. Wright held on to the boat, as his leg was caught in the oarlock. Leard went down twice, and Beyor began to drag him, but he had to let him go as he was exhausted, and this was the last seen of Leard. Beyor made the shore, and Sto. Wright was rescued by the two Construction Company men in their Motor Boat.

It was estimated by Mr. Smith that there was about 15 feet of water at the time and place at which the dory capsized. Beyor admitted to Smith that the three of them began rocking the boat and carrying on, when suddenly it shipped water and finally capsized. It is established quite clearly from Mr. Smith's evidence that the three men did not act in a normal way in the boat, ie their stupidity in skylarking caused it's upset.

As to whether they had been drinking, the evidence is not conclusive that they were under the complete influence of liquor. A.B. Leard was seen in the office at the Base at 1715 with a bottle of whiskey.

Respectfully submitted,

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FRED MOORE,
SUB-LIEUT., R.C.N.V.R.,
OFFICER OF OPERATIONS,
SAINT JOHN, N.B.

FROM: THE NAVAL SHORE PATROL

DATE: 27TH NOVEMBER, 1942.

TO: THE NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, SAINT JOHN, N.B.

NAVAL PATROL REPORT

1925 Hours.-- The City Police received a call from the Diamond Construction Co., at Courtney Bay end of Broad St. that some men were involved in an accident to a boat near their wharf. Sgt. Kilpatrick and Sgt. Ross of the City Police answered the call.

I P.O. John L. Conway offered to take our truck and driver to assist the Police as we had a stretcher.

On arrival at the scene I found Charles Lindsay Beyor, Sto. I V23700 in the bunk house owned by the Diamond Construction Co. Beyor stated there were three sailors in a small row-boat coming ashore from an Oil Lighter where they were stationed when the boat capsized.

I took Beyor to St. James Hospital for treatment and returned to the scene of the accident.

I then had the Construction Co. boat bring James F. Wright Sto. I A5189 to the wharf from the Lighter as I was told he had also been in the water and had been rescued by the Motor Boat crew. I then took him to the Hospital for observation.

2015 Hours.-- I then reported to the O.C.O. at H.M.C.S. "CAPTOR II" (BASE) Sub Lieut. Moore. The O.C.O. authorized me to get reliefs for the three men from the Barrack's. I transported these ratings from Captor II Barrack's to the wharf where the Construction Co. boat took them aboard the Lighter as the tide was dropping fast and the lines had to be tended.

C.P.O. McGinnis had arrived with a duty Boat and the City Police had procured a grapnel line and C.P.O. McGinnis started to fish for the body of Wellesley Leard A.B. V2456 the third member of the boat's crew and was still missing.

I returned one blanket, some clothing owned by Beyor and an oar found on the beach to Captor II (Base).

Sgt. Dective Kilpatrick investigated for the City Police and interviewed the witnesses.

John L. Conway
John L. Conway, P.O. V2216
NAVAL SHORE PATROL

MEMORANDUM FOR

P. 64

Mrs. J.E. Leard,

Spruce Avenue,

East Saint John, N.B.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to:—

THE ADMINISTRATOR OF ESTATES,
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

and the following number quoted:—

H.Q. 113 -L- 539 FD 121

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
OTTAWA, ONT.

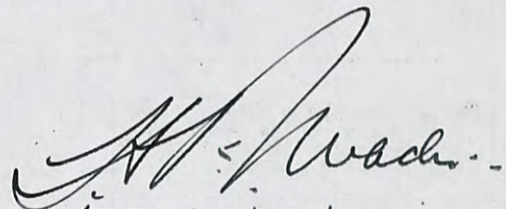
February 10th 1943

For the purpose of record and in the event of there being any balance of pay, medals or memorials available for distribution (according to law) on account of the late

LEARD, Wesley Everett, A.B. V-2456

R.C.N.V.R.

it is necessary that the requisite information regarding the deceased and his relatives should be furnished on the inside of this form in strict accordance with the printed instructions. The particulars required are to be carefully filled in and the Declaration on the back should then be signed in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public, who should be asked to complete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.



(H.R. Wade) Lt/Cdr., R.C.N.V.R.
for (L.M. Firth) Lt.-Col.,
Administrator of Estates.



ANSWER IN FULL ALL APPLICABLE QUESTIONS

STATEMENT of the Names, Ages and Addresses or Dates of Death, of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in each of the degrees specified below.

Degrees of Relationship	RELATIVES required to be accounted for	INFORMANT'S STATEMENT			
		NAME IN FULL of any Relative, if any, in each degree inquired for	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL of each surviving Relative, opposite his or her name, and date of death of each deceased relative	
1	Widow of the Deceased.....				
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....				
3	Father of the Deceased.....	JAMES EVERETT LEARD	49	SPRUCE AVE. EAST SAINT JOHN	
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	MYRTLE LIVIDA LEARD	45	Ditto	
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Full Blood	DOUGLAS ALBERT KENNETH ROSS	24 16	ACTIVE SERVIER (ENGLAND) SPRUCE AVE EAST ST. JOHN
		Half Blood			
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Full Blood	MRS. GERALD SHAW JEAN LEARD BETTY LEARD	20 18	SPRUCE AVE EAST ST. JOHN ACTIVE SERVICE C.W.A.C.
		Half Blood		14	SPRUCE AVE
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the Deceased, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children		

ONLY IF NO RELATIVES IN THE DEGREES ABOVE ARE NOW LIVING, THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS SHOULD BE GIVEN

		NAMES OF THOSE LIVING	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL
8	Grand-Parents of the Deceased....			
9	Uncles and Aunts by blood of the Deceased (not Uncles and Aunts by marriage).....		Age	

FULL PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

10	What is the full name of the deceased?	WELLESLEY EVERETT LEARD
11	Give the month and year of his birth.	FEB. 15 TH 1921
12	Where and when were his parents married?	NEWGLASCO N.S. 1917
13	If deceased was married, state place and date of marriage. Was there a marriage contract? (Quebec)	—
14	Did he leave a Will? If so, a copy should be attached hereto.	NO.
15	Did he leave a bank account? If so, give full particulars.	NO
16	Is there any other estate which will necessitate application being made for Probate of the Will or Letters of Administration of the estate?	NO
17	State <i>your own</i> postal address in full.	SPRUCE AVE EAST SAINT JOHN

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

18	Where was deceased born?	WINDSOR N.S.
19	State, in order, the Province (or State) and country in which the deceased resided and the period of time in each, and in which last.	21 YEARS IN NEW BRUNSWICK
20	What was the nature of his employment?	EMPLOYED AS ORDLY IN COUNTY HOSPITAL
21	Did he own the premises in which he lived? If so, where?	NO. LIVED WITH MOTHER A HOME
22	Did he ever state verbally, or in writing, where he intended to make his permanent home?	NO

OTHER PARTICULARS

23	Did the deceased after enlistment incur any debts for:— (a) His own separate board and lodging while on service. (b) Service clothing and equipment. An itemized account for each such debt should be attached hereto, and if same is correct you should mark the bill "approved" and sign same. If believed incorrect, give particulars.	NO
24	Have you or any other relative paid the funeral expenses or any part thereof? If so, attach itemized accounts showing amount paid, and by whom. (NOTE:—The Government pays funeral expenses within the amounts authorized in the Regulations, where death occurs and burial is made Overseas as well as where death occurs and burial is made in Canada, and if a relative has already paid those expenses the Government will reimburse such relative to the extent of the amount authorized in the Regulations. Any amount of such expenses in excess of those authorized in the Regulations is not payable by the Government nor is it chargeable against the service estate of the deceased.)	NO

(PLEASE TURN OVER)

DECLARATION

*Insert degree of relationship for example, "Widow", "Father", "Brother", etc.

I hereby declare that the foregoing particulars are correct, and a true and complete statement of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in the degrees inquired for; and that I am the

* mother of the deceased.

N.B. To be signed in full in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public.

Mrs Myrtle Levida Beard. } Signature of Informant

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief Mrs Myrtle Levida Beard

See above { Name of Informant } is the Mother of the Deceased above described, and I believe the above Declaration and the Statement of Relatives made by the Informant and signed in my presence to be complete and correct.

Dated at East Saint John NB this 24th day of February 19 43

Signature of Clergyman, Priest, Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public } Rev. L. H. Landall Qualification Pastor of the deceased

Address East Saint John, NB.

NOTE.—Before granting the above Certificate, care should be taken to see that the Informant gives particulars concerning the death of any Relative stated by him or her to have died, and that the full name and address and age of each surviving Relative enquired after is stated in its proper place in the Statement opposite.

USE SPACE BELOW FOR ANY ADDITIONAL REMARKS YOU MAY WISH TO MAKE

CERTIFIED COPY OF REGISTRATION OF DEATH

19-4-D.

Date of Registration..... December 5th, 1942. 20 Date of Death..... November 27th, 1942.

1 PLACE OF DEATH { Sub-Health District City and County of Saint John Sub-Deputy Registrar Area City of Saint John
 { City, Town or Village..... City of Saint John Courtenay Bay
 (If in City or Town, state street and number, or institution.)

2 NAME OF DECEASED..... Wellesley E. Leard
 3 Sex..... Male 4 Racial Origin..... Scotch 5 Conjugal State..... Single
 (Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced)
 6 Birthplace..... Windsor, N.S. 7 Date of Birth..... Feb. 15, 1921 8 Age..... 21 yrs 9 Occupation..... Gunner.
 Royal Can. Navy
 10 If married, name of husband or wife..... -
 12 Name of Father..... Everett J. Leard 13 Birthplace..... Wallace, N. S.
 14 Maiden Name of Mother..... Myrtle L. Hannebury 15 Birthplace..... Spencer Island, N.S.
 16 Informant's Name and Address..... E. J. Leard 17 Relationship to deceased..... Father

21 CAUSE OF DEATH..... Accidental drowning.

Contributory.....

22 Signer of Medical Certificate (Cause)..... C. L. Emerson, M.D. Address..... Saint John, N. B.
 Coroner
 18 Place of Burial or Cremation..... Fernhill Cemetery Undertaker..... N.W. Brennan & Sons

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of the Certificate of Registration of Death of the person mentioned, as it appears in my book of Registration of Deaths of the Sub-Health District and the Sub-Deputy Registrar Area above written.

(Signed)..... *Steven M. Crawford*
 Sub-Deputy Registrar.

December 8th, 1942. Date City of Saint John Place

RECORD OF EXAMINATIONS IN GUNNERY

To be filled up on qualification in Gunnery for Able Seaman and on completion of every qualifying or re-qualifying course, for confirmed or acting Gunnery rating carried out in a Gunnery School or in H. M. Ships at sea.

Failures to be filled in, in RED.

SUBJECT	DATE																		
	31/3/41																		
	SHIP																		
	MARKS	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained	Max.	Obtained
Gun Drill.....		100	40																
Stripping.....		60	40																
Field Training.....		80	46																
Land Fighting	Field Gun.....																		
	Section Leading.....	20	14																
	Lewis and Machine Gun.....	30	20																
	Bayonet Fighting.....																		
Accoutrements.....																			
Ammunition.....		20	12																
Hydraulics (Paper).....																			
“ (Oral).....																			
Turret.....																			
Fire Control (Paper).....																			
“ “ (Oral).....		50	25																
Single Gun Control (Practical).....																			
High Angle Control	Air Defence and Lookouts.....																		
	Long Range (Practical).....																		
	Close Range Practical Drill.....																		
	Long Range Practical Drill.....																		
	Close Range Eye Shooting.....																		
H. A. Control (Paper).....																			
Director and Sighting (Paper).....																			
“ “ (Oral).....		80	52																
“ Use and Testing of Systems																			
“ Mechanical Knowledge and Adjustments																			
Electrical Course.....																			
Shooting Appliances.....																			
R.Y.P.A. Practice.....																			
Qualifying Firings.....																			
Rangefinder (Paper).....																			
Testing and Removal of Errors.....																			
Knowledge of R/F Mtgs.....																			
Silhouettes.....																			
School.....																			
Office Work.....																			
Musketry.....																			
General Gunnery.....																			
TOTAL.....		440	249																
G. Rating Qualified for. Qualified=Q. Re-qualified=R. Failed=F.																			
GUNNERY OFFICER'S INITIALS																			

"F"
Q.R.III
56.5%

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S. 536d. } Revised—Nov., 1936.)
 T.S. 34 }
 VM-6-40 (5717)
 N.S. 815-9-536D.

Reindeer *M.S. Sydney* *3-1-41* *RB*

CERTIFICATE OF PROGRESS OF BOYS AND ORDINARY SEAMEN

(To be used in conjunction with Form S. 399 Divisional Training Progress Book.)

NAME LEARD W.	OFFICIAL No. V 2456	Date of Birth FEB. 16, 1921
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ON LEAVING HARBOUR TRAINING SERVICE

Subject	Ability	REMARKS (percentages obtained, etc.)	Initials of Instructing Officer
*School.....			
Seamanship— Boat work:			
(a) Pulling.....	FAIR } }	64 %	
(b) Sailing.....			
Gunnery and Disciplinary Training.....			
Shooting.....			
Swimming—P. P. T.....		Date qualified.....	
Physical and Recreational Training.....			
Culinary Course.....			
Special qualifications.....			
Call Boy.....			
Bugler (Sea Service).....			
Drummer.....			
Special Remarks			
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.....			

On joining:— Weight..... Height..... Date

On leaving:— Weight..... Height..... Date

* State in remarks column whether G.C.I., II or III, or Advanced Class, or V/S or W/T.

H.M.S. “.....”. Date..... Captain.

PROGRESS UNDER TRAINING FOR ABLE SEAMAN

Educational Examinations	Date	Ship	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer
Passed Educationally { Accelerated Advancement .. For Able Seaman (if G.C. III) Educational Test I.....			
Rated Ordinary Seaman.....			

SEAMANSHIP	Subject	Boat Work	Anchors and Cables	Compass and Wheel Rule of the Road	Rigging Sheers and Derricks	Sounding Machine, Lead and Line	Bends and Hitches, Blocks and Tackles	Part of Ship Evolutions	Signals	TOTAL	* Date of Passing	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer, and Ship	
	Hours	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> 64% 64% </div>											
	%												
%													
GUNNERY	Subject	Field Training	Gun Drill	Stripping	Fire Control	Ammunition	Director and Sighting	Machine Gun		TOTAL	* Date of Passing	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer, and Ship	
	Hours												
	%												
%													
TORPEDO	Subject	Whitehead	Low Power	High Power	Instruments	Explosives	Paravanes			TOTAL	* Date of Passing	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer, and Ship	
	Hours												
	%												
%													

* In the event of failure to pass any examination, the percentage is to be noted in RED, and the word "FAILED" noted.
 † The letters Q.R. III, L.R. III, C.R. III, A.A. 3, S.T., S.D., etc., are to be entered by the Divisional Officer in the case of men so recommended. If not recommended, the word "NO" is to be entered.

Ship	Total Period of Practical Experience as Ord. Seaman in part of Ship	Recommended for Advancement to Able Seaman on (Date)

Divisional Officer's Remarks

Recommendation for non-sub. rate†

Ordinary Seaman (Special Service).

Qualified for advancement to Able Seaman (S.S.)

on.....Date.

.....Commodore

.....Date.

.....Depot.Date.

Rated Able Seaman and Recommendations inserted on History Sheet.

H.M.S.....

.....Date

.....Captain.

Stadscona I
J. Sharpe Mate

Sept 13/40

Name Leard, Wellesley
Sub-Rating and Seniority Ord. sea Non-Sub. -
O.N. V 2456 S.B. No. _____ W.B. No. _____
Joined Ship Aug 21, 1940 from St John Sw
Engagement: Period Duration Expires _____
Date of Birth Feb. 16, 1921 Religion United church
Character _____ Efficiency _____ Date _____
Badges _____ Class for Conduct _____ Class for Leave _____
Date due for: Next Badge _____
Progressive Pay _____
L.S. & G.C. Recommended _____
Advancement. Wishes to Pass? Recommended? Date Qualified?
Educ. Test Pt. 1 _____
Higher Educ. Test. _____
Professional for _____
higher Sub-rating _____
do Non-Sub. _____
(For Ordinary Seamen Form T.S. 34 must be used in addition)

Any Non-Service Attainments Hospital work.

Swimming Qualification _____

Athletic Capabilities Hockey baseball

General Remarks (including intelligence, energy, initiative, powers of command).

H.M.C.S. Stadacona I " _____ JW Sharpe Matr. R. ENR.
Date Oct 7/40 _____
Officer of Division.

- Notes:—(1) This form is to be kept for each rating by the Officer of his Division.
(2) The form is to be completed to date, and signed by the Officer of the Division before the rating changes his Division or Ship.
(3) On a rating changing his Ship or Establishment, Form S. 264 is to be transferred with his other papers for the information of the next Officer of Division.

Smile as Dr. S. would like to see him at Stand say temp



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CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION FOR THE ENTRY OF OFFICERS, MEN AND BOYS FOR THE NAVAL SERVICE OF CANADA

(R.C.N. OR RESERVE FORCES)

NOTE—This Certificate is to be completed by the Examining Medical Officer and forwarded to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, Ottawa.

I, the undersigned, have examined Wellesley Everett Heard
 candidate for entry as D. S.
 and I believe him to be in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service. He has signed the Certificate given below in my presence.

Dated at Quebec the 6 of July 19340

John R. Nugent
 Examining Medical Officer
 (Rank) Surgeon-Civilian

This examination has been made in accordance with the Instructions for Recruiting.

Age { Years Months	Weight without Clothes	Height with Bare Feet	General Development	Chest Girth	Vision by—		Vaccinated or re- vaccinated for Small Pox (Date)	Lungs, Heart, etc.	Abdomen, Hernia, etc.	Limbs and Joints	Skin	Ears and Hearing	Testes, Varicocele, etc.	Mouth, Teeth (No. def- icient and No. defective, if any), Nose, Tonsils, etc.	Anus, Hæmorrhoids, etc.
					(i) Snellen's Types (S)	(ii) Colour Vision									
<u>19-4</u>	<u>124.0</u>	<u>5-6</u>	<u>Good</u>	inches (a) maximum <u>37</u> (b) minimum <u>33</u> (c) mean <u>34</u>	right eye <u>6.6</u> left eye <u>6.6</u> colour vision <u>N</u>	<u>1927</u>	<u>Two marks upper left.</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Healthy. 2 can- kers. 2 cankers</u>	<u>Normal</u>

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY THE CANDIDATE

I hereby certify that to the best of my belief I have never suffered from Fits, *Incontinence of Urine, Discharge from the Ears, or any other disease likely to render me unfit for His Majesty's Service. I am willing to undergo, after entry, such dental treatment as may be authorized.

Wellesley Heard
 Signature of Candidate

When a Candidate is passed, notwithstanding a slight defect or disability, the following Certificate is to be filled up

This Candidate is the subject of Two cankers which to be filled or over undertaking
 not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

John R. Nugent
 Examining Medical Officer
 (Rank) Surgeon-Civilian

* The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.

H.M.C.S. "

S A M B R O

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N.S. CANADA

113-2539

Warrant No. 2, dated 4th August 1941

[The Warrants are to be numbered consecutively from the Date of the Ship being commissioned.]

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For Imprisonment in lieu of Detention

(a) WHEREAS it has been represented to me by Lieutenant William Mahan, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve (Temporary)

that on the 3rd day of August 1941,

Name Wellesley Everett LEARD

Date of Birth 16th February, 1921

Rating Able Seaman

Official Number V.2456

Good Conduct Medal Nil

Good Conduct Badges Nil

Date of Entry in Ship 25th June, 1941

List and Number on Ship's Book List 12 II Number 4 (Lethbridge)

Date of First Entry in H.M. Service 25th July, 1940

Class for Conduct First

Character assessed to date, from the last annual assessment, but not including this offence

Very Good

Class for Leave First

1. Did improperly leave His Majesty's Canadian Ship "LETHBRIDGE" at 1700, 3rd August, 1941, being apprehended by Civil Authorities on Hollis Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, at 0240, 4th August, 1941, thereby remaining absent without leave 9 hours and 40 minutes.
2. Did improperly leave His Majesty's Canadian Ship "LETHBRIDGE" at about 2130, 4th August, 1941, whilst under open arrest, being apprehended by Charles Joseph Kelly, Petty Officer, Official Number 2163, at Camilles Cafe, Barrington Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, at about 2215, 4th August, 1941, thereby remaining absent without leave about 45 minutes.

†To be imprisoned in			†To be kept in detention in		Confined in Cells on Board		Disrated to	Deprived of Medal	Deprived of Badges, No.	Whether reduced to 2nd Class for Conduct	Days				Whether Reduced to Lower Class for Leave	Grogg stop-ped Days	Other Punish-ments
Name of Gaol*	For Days	With Days H.L.	Name of Place of detention*	For Days	No of Days	Diet					10	15	Leave stop-ped	Pay forfeited			
---	-	-	Lunenburg County Jail	28	--	--	---	-	-	No	-	-	5	5	No	-	--

*The name of the place of confinement is not to be filled in when the Officer ordering the imprisonment or detention is in the presence of a Commander-in-Chief or Senior Officer (see Article 770, Clause 2).
 †See page 4 for proposal to award imprisonment, detention or disrating.

Noted in Service
 Records by [Signature]

Before awarding the foregoing punishment, (b) I did, on the 7th day of August personally and publicly, in the presence of the Accuser and Accused, investigate the matter, and having heard the evidence of **Lieutenant William Mahan, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve (Temporary), and Charles Joseph Kelly, Petty Officer, Official Number 2163, Royal Canadian Navy**

in support of the charge as well as what the Accused had to offer in his defence, ~~and the evidence of~~

he having called no one

~~whom he called~~ on his behalf, I consider the charges to be substantiated against him, and [taking into consideration that ~~these~~ the ~~third &~~ Offences registered against him in the Conduct Book or Conduct Sheet], I adjudge him to be punished as aforesaid (d).

1st and 2nd

Given under my hand on board His Majesty's Canadian Ship "SAMBRO" at

Halifax, Nova Scotia, the 7 day of August, 1941.

[Signature]
..... Captain

W. Swallow, Lieut. R.C.N.R.

Signature and Rank of Complainant

NOTE.—No avoidable delay should take place in the investigation of the complaint, or in the prompt infliction of the punishment after the investigation is completed. If any substantial delay has taken place the reason thereof is to be stated in the space below.

(a) When the Offence has been committed under the immediate observation of the Captain, the Warrant should run—"Whereas I did observe—"

(b) If the Offence has been committed under the immediate observation of the Captain, the Warrant should run thus:—

"I did, on the _____ day of _____, in presence of (insert name of Executive Officer, or of the Watch, as the case may be), and having heard what the Accused had, etc.—"

(c) If the Accused does not call any witnesses the fact should be stated.

(d) If the man is sentenced to imprisonment or detention, and there is not a proper place of confinement to which he can be sent at once, and if it is not intended to keep him in close custody on board until a proper place of confinement is available, the following words are to be added:—

"The said imprisonment (or detention) to take effect from the date on which he is received into a proper place of confinement, subject to the provisions of Section 74, Clause 2, of the Naval Discipline Act."

NOTE.—When under the sanction of the Regulations of the Service, two or more of the foregoing punishments are awarded to the same individual for the same Offence or Offences, one Warrant will suffice; but the greatest care is to be taken in all cases to specify distinctly the nature, duration, or extent of the Punishment ordered.

Dated & Read by me this 7th day of August, 1941

W. Swallow, Lieut. R.C.N.R.
C.O. H.M.S. [illegible]

H.M.C.S. " S A M B R O "

7th August, 1941

I beg to submit that the offence disclosed on page 1 hereof may be dealt with summarily.

If you approve, the following sentence is considered suitable:—

King's Regulations, Art. 707 (1).

* 28 days Imprisonment with hard labour in lieu of Detention

addition to the other punishments indicated.

Art. 776 (2).

To be struck out to in

addition to the other punishments indicated

Art. 752 (2).

*As indicated on page 1.

2. The Accused's Service Certificate and Conduct Sheet are enclosed.

I am,

SIR,

Your Obedient Servant,

The Commanding Officer,

Atlantic Coast,

H.M.C. Dockyard, Halifax, N.S.

*To be struck out when not applicable.

Remarks as to any excess, undue leniency, or irregularity in the above proposals:—

Approved.

Signature G. F. Jones

The Officer Commanding

Rank

Commodore R.C.N

H.M.C.S. "Sambro"

When the necessary approval has been obtained, the particulars should be entered on page 1 of the Warrant, which should then be dated and read to the offender (see Arts. 754 (1) and 755 of the King's Regulations) without any unnecessary delay.

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REPORT OF ARREST AND TRIAL BY CIVIL POWER

(Authority: King's Regulations, Art. 598)

NOTES:—(i) This report is not required for absentees, etc., dealt with under Art. 591, King's Regulations.
(ii) To be accompanied by Service Certificate and Conduct Sheet. Copy (for Admiralty) of Service Certificate and of this form to be forwarded if penalties mentioned in heading 9 (iii) below are proposed, or if discharge is applied for.

H.M.C.S.
~~H.M.C.S.~~ " S A M B R O " (Lethbridge) "

at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

No. 1 Date 4th August, 1941

Name Wellesley Everett Leard Rating Able Seaman Off. No. V.2456
G.C. Medal Nil Class { Conduct First
No. of G.C. Badges Nil { Leave First Character to date Very Good

- Particulars of arrest. Date and hour 4th August, 1941, 0240
Place Halifax, Nova Scotia
- If on leave state (a) Date and time at which leave expired
(b) Date and hour of return to ship, if released pending trial
- Date of trial 4th August, 1941
- Date and hour of return to ship after trial 4th August, 1941, 1015
- Before what Court charged Halifax City Police Court
- Offence in exact terms of charge

Was drunk in a Public Place.

Noted in Service
Records by [Signature]

7. Order of Court in exact terms of order Fined \$5.50. Fine Paid.
(If offender was fined, state whether fine was paid)

8. Rank and name of officer who attended the trial.

Lieutenant V.H. Tillson, R.C.N.V.R.
ASSISTANT NAVAL PROVOST MARSHAL.

9. If convicted or dealt with under Probation of Offenders Act, which, if any, of following Naval penalties are proposed:—

- (i) Stoppage of wages and time (Art. 598, cl. 3, K.R.) **One** days.
- (ii) (a) Deprivation of G.C. Medal
- (b) Deprivation G.C. Badge or Badges
- *(c) Break in continuity of "Very good" conduct for badge purposes
- (d) Reduction in class for leave
- (e) Inferior character at end of year
- (iii) (a) Disrating
- (b) Reduction to 2nd class for conduct

*NOTE.—If this penalty is enforced the date of conviction is to be noted on page 1, column 4, of the offender's Conduct Sheet as the date of commencement of "Very Good" conduct.

Captain's Observations on the Case and remarks as to Proposed Penalties

Penalties proposed as above.

..... **Commander for Captain. (D)**

Decision of Flag Officer



..... **Signature.**

..... **Commodore RCN. Rank.**

Date **8th Aug. 41**

Warrant No. **35**, dated **4th May** 19**42**

[The Warrants are to be numbered consecutively from the Date of the Ship being commissioned.]

For **DETENTION**

(a) WHEREAS it has been represented to me by Acting Lieutenant Commander William Melville MacDONALD, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve. (Temporary)

that on the **3rd.** day of **May** 1942 ,

Name..... **Wellesley Everett LEARD.**

Date of Birth..... **16th February 1921.**

Rating..... **Able Seaman.**

Official Number..... **V2456**

Good Conduct Medal..... **Nil.**

Good Conduct Badges..... **Nil**

Date of Entry in Ship..... **17th April 1942**

List and Number on Ship's Book..... **5/2/145**

Date of First Entry in H.M. Service..... **25th July 1940**

Class for Conduct..... **First.**

Character assessed to date, from the last annual assessment, but not including this offence
Fair

Class for Leave..... **First.**

~~Did~~ [Insert full particulars of Offence.] Was guilty of an act to the prejudice of good order and Naval Discipline in that he did cause a disturbance on Cobourg Street in the city of Saint John New Brunswick at 2050 hours on the 3rd of May 1942. namely by firing a B.B. gun on civilians. (2) Was improperly dressed ashore on Cobourg Street at 2050 hours namely by being without his collar jumper, silk and wearing a civilian sweater.
I do hereby adjudge him the said

Wellesley Everett LEARD.

Insert below in the proper columns the particulars of the punishment.

†To be imprisoned in			†To be kept in detention in		Confined in Cells on Board		Disrated to	Deprived of Medal	Deprived of Badges, No	Whether reduced to 2nd Class for Conduct	Days				Whether Reduced to Lower Class for Leave	Grog stop-ped Days	Other Punish-ments
Name of Gaol*	For Days	With Days H.L.	Name of Place of detention*	For Days	No. of Days	Diet					10	15	Leave stop-ped	Pay forfeited			
			Military Detention Barracks. Saint John New Brunswick	42						No				No		Nil	

*The name of the place of confinement is not to be filled in when the Officer ordering the imprisonment or detention is in the presence of a Commander-in-Chief or Senior Officer (see Article 770, Clause 2).

†See page 4 for proposal to award imprisonment, detention or disrating.

Noted in Service Records by *ja*

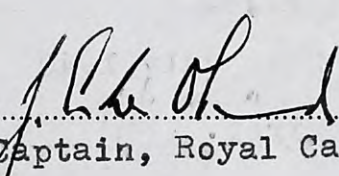
Before awarding the foregoing punishment, (b) I did, on the 4th.....day of May 1942... personally and publicly, in the presence of the Accuser and Accused, investigate the matter, and having heard the evidence of ~~John RYAN, Stoker, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve~~ read ~~Official Number A1250~~


Frederick Gordon BRINE--Stoker 1st Class--Official Number A2103
(Evidence taken down in writing due to the witness being drafted before investigation)

in support of the charge as well as what the Accused had to offer in his defence, ~~and the evidence of (c) he having called no one.~~

~~whom he called~~ on his behalf, I consider the charge to be substantiated against him, and [taking into consideration that this is the First & Second Offence registered against him in the Conduct Book or Conduct Sheet], I adjudge him to be punished as aforesaid (d).

Given under my hand on board His Majesty's Canadian Ship "Captor II....." at
Saint John New Brunswick, the 4th.....day of May.....1942.


..... Captain.....
Acting Captain, Royal Canadian Navy (Temporary)


..... (Signature and Rank
Acting Lieutenant Commander, Royal Canadian Naval of Complainant
Volunteer Reserve. (Temporary)

NOTE.—No avoidable delay should take place in the investigation of the complaint, or in the prompt infliction of the punishment after the investigation is completed. If any substantial delay has taken place the reason thereof is to be stated in the space below.

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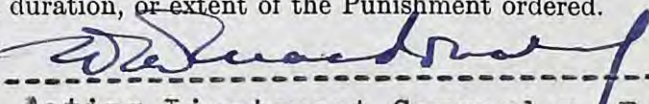
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"The said imprisonment (*or detention*) to take effect from the date on which he is received into a proper place of confinement, subject to the provisions of Section 74, Clause 2, of the Naval Discipline Act."

~~Warrant #35 dated and read by me this~~

NOTE.—When under the sanction of the Regulations of the Service, two or more of the foregoing punishments are awarded to the same individual for the same Offence or Offences, one Warrant will suffice; but the greatest care is to be taken in all cases to specify distinctly the nature, duration, or extent of the Punishment ordered.

Warrant #35 dated and read by me this
4th day of May 1942.


.....
Acting Lieutenant Commander, Royal
Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.
(Temporary)

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
 NAVY ===== ARMY ===== AIR FORCE
STATEMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

4
 NAVY

BASED
 MEMBER'S
 NAME

Wellesley Everett LEARD
 (CHRISTIAN NAMES) (SURNAME)

REGISTER NO. 3979
 FILE NO. NS.V-2456
 DATE 18 May/45.
 SERVICE NO. V-2456
 FINAL RANK OR RATING A.B.
 DATE OF DISCHARGE 27 Nov/42

PAYEE ADDRESS Director of Estates,
 308 Sparks St.,
 Ottawa, Ont.

for Service Estate of
 Wellesley E. Leard,
 NA.V-2456

DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE 17 July/42

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 767 EQUAL TO 25 COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50
 30

187.50

B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 347 LESS nil INELIGIBLE DAYS, EQUAL TO 347 DAYS @ 25c. PER DAY

86.75

C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

PAY \$ 1.85
 SUBSISTENCE OR LODGING
 AND PROVISION ALLOWANCE \$ 1.45
 ADDITIONAL PAY \$

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE 1/30 OF \$

TOTAL \$ 3.30 X7 = \$ 23.10
 NO. OF DAYS 347 X\$ 23.10
 183

43.80

D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

318.05

E. DEDUCTIONS

OVERPAYMENT OF

PAY AND ALLOWANCES \$ 2.98
 DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE
 AND ASSIGNED PAY \$

OTHER DEDUCTIONS \$

2.98

F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE

315.07

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS—

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE TO YOU \$ _____ OF \$ _____

TOTAL DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE \$ _____

= \$ 315.07

Voucher 245-26/5-45

CERTIFICATE I CERTIFY THAT THE AMOUNT HAS BEEN CORRECTLY COMPUTED AND IS PAYABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE WAR SERVICE GRANTS ACT, 1944 AND THE REGULATIONS ISSUED THEREUNDER.

PREPARED BY

CHECKED BY

DJN

TREASURY

CHECKED BY

DATE

Robb

25/5/45

SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

for Dir. Naval Pay Accting.

STATEMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY - NAVY

Deceased Person's Name *Wellesley Everett LEARD*
 (Christian Names) (Surname)

Payee *Director of Estates* for service estate of
 Address *308, Sparks St. Wellesley E. LEARD*
Ottawa, Ont. N.S. V 2456
 Register No. *3979*
 File No. *V2456*
 Date *14 May '45*
 Service No. *V2456*
 Final Rank or Rating *A-3*
 Date of Discharge *27 Nov '42*

Date of termination of overseas service *17 July '42*
 A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE
 No. of days *767* equal to *25* complete periods at \$7.50
 130 *187.50*

B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE
 No. of days *347* less *NIL* ineligible days equal to *347* days @ 25¢ per day *86.75*

C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE
 DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

Pay	\$	<i>1.85</i>	
Subsistence or Lodging and Provision Allowance	\$	<i>1.45</i>	
Additional Pay	\$		
Dependents' Allowance 1/30 of \$	\$	<i>—</i>	
Total		<i>3.30</i>	<i>x 7 = \$ 23.10</i>
No. of days		<i>347</i>	<i>x \$ 23.10 = 43.80</i>
		<i>1831</i>	

D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY *318.05*

E. DEDUCTIONS
 OVERPAYMENT OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES \$ *2.98*
 DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE AND ASSIGNED PAY \$ *—*
 OTHER DEDUCTIONS \$ *—*

F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE *315.07*
~~*318.05*~~

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS
 Dependents' Allowance in issue to you \$ *—* of \$ *—* = ~~*318.05*~~
 Total Dependents' Allowance in issue \$ *—*

CERTIFICATE: I certify that the amount has been correctly computed and is payable in accordance with the terms of the War Service Grants Act, 1944 and the regulations issued thereunder.

Prepared by	Checked by	Treasury	
		Checked by	Date

Service Representative

D.N.P.A. CHECK

1	<i>SWY</i>	6	<i>—</i>
2	<i>SWY</i>	7	<i>—</i>
3	<i>SWY</i>	8	<i>—</i>
4	<i>—</i>	9	<i>—</i>
5	<i>—</i>	10	<i>—</i>

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Discharge

3979 ✓

PARTICULARS OF DEAD OR MISSING PERSONNEL
WITH REGARD TO PAYMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

Name of Deceased Member Wellesley E. LEARD Rank or Rating AB O. No. V-2456

1. Dependents' Allowance and Assigned Pay in force at date of death:
D.A. — Mrs. Myrtle L. Leard
A.P. 30.00 ✓ (Mother) ✓
D.A. —
A.P. —

2. Pension awarded or being awarded to: None within the meaning of the Pension Act

3. War Service Gratuity Application(s) received from: Mrs. Myrtle Leard ✓
Spruce Ave. ✓
East St. John, ✓
N.B. ✓

In accordance with the War Service Grants Act, 1944 (Part I, Clause 4) and Directive dated 16th December, 1944 issued under authority of the Minister of Veterans Affairs, application(s) for War Service Gratuity in respect of the service of the above named deceased member may be dealt with as follows:

() To be paid to: In the proportion of: /

- and -

to: In the proportion of: /

(X) To be referred to the Dependents' Allowance Board for decision as to dependency within the spirit and intent of the War Service Grants Act, 1944, observing this application(s) is classed under:

Group "B" (ii)
~~Group "C"~~ of the above mentioned Directive.

Date 1/3/45

[Signature]
for D.N.F.A. (G)

W.S.G. Application No. 3979

TO: D.N.P.A. "G"

FILE NO. MS-V-2456

"WAR SERVICE GRATUITY"
COMPUTATION OF SERVICE

LEARD, Wellesley Everett V-2456 Able Smn.
SURNAME / CHRISTIAN NAMES IN FULL OFFICIAL NUMBER RANK OR RATING ON DISCHARGE

CAUSE OF DISCHARGE: "Missing - presumed drowned"
Application made by Mrs. Myrtle Leard, mother, who was
in receipt of monthly allotment 30⁰⁰ A.P. not in receipt of
D.A. or pension.

TOTAL SERVICE

Date of Active Service 12 Aug. 40 -
Date of Discharge 27 Nov. 42
Total No. of Days 838
Less non qualifying service 71 - Total Days 767 -

365
365
20
30
31
27
838

OVERSEAS SERVICE

% Total No. of Days 373 -
Less non qualifying service 26 - Total Days 347 -

Record of Service in other Forces (per Naval Records)

Branch of Service _____
Date of Active Service _____
Date of Discharge _____

& % Overleaf

Computed By [Signature]
Checked By [Signature]

JAN 27 1945

DATE: _____

[Signature]
for (H.B. Money)
Payr. Cndr. R.C.N.R.
Director of Personnel Records

Applicant - Mother
Original s/c not used
copy on file

Service (Navy, Army or Air Force in which you last served.)

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

M.F.M. 441
1 Mil. 9-44 (5449)
H.Q. 1772-39-2326

412101

Application for War Service Gratuity
(Canadian Armed Forces)

A complete reply must be given to every question in this application. If any question is not applicable, "N.A." is to be inserted.

1. Surname on termination of service... LEARD. (Print)

2. Christian Names... WELLESLEY, EVERETT. (Print)

3. Service No. V 2456 4. Paid rank or rating at date of termination of Service... A.B.

5. Address, in full, to which payments of gratuity are to be forwarded...
MRS. MYRTLE LEARD.
SPRUCE AVENUE.
EAST ST JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK

6. State below your period or periods of service in the Armed Forces of Canada during the present war.

Service (Navy, Army or Air Force)	Service No.	Final Rank or Rating	Date of Commencement of Service	Date of Termination of Service
<u>NAVY.</u>	<u>V 2456.</u>	<u>A.B.</u>	<u>AUG. 21st / 40</u>	<u>NOV. 27th / 42</u>

7. Have you during the present War, while a member of the Canadian Forces, been attached, loaned or seconded to any of the Naval, Military, or Air Forces of His Majesty or of any power allied or associated with His Majesty? N.A. If so, state name of Force or Forces... N.A.

8. Have you during the present War, while *not* a member of the Canadian Armed Forces, been appointed to or enlisted in any of the Naval, Military or Air Forces of His Majesty (other than the Canadian Armed Forces)? N.A. If so, state the Force or Forces, with dates of commencement and termination of service. N.A.

NAVAL RECORDS
JAN 26 1945
JAN 17 1945 3979
WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

Having now ceased to serve on Active Service, I hereby apply for payment of the War Service Gratuity.

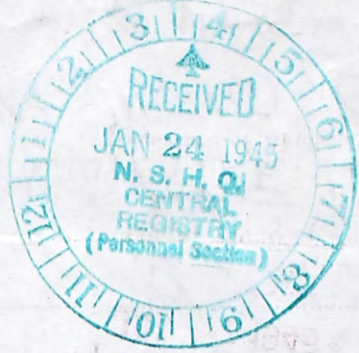
DEC. 19th / 44.
(Date)

MRS. MYRTLE LEARD.
(Signature of Applicant)
Mrs. Myrtle Leard,
MRS. MYRTLE LEARD.
Mrs Myrtle Leard

If name signed in space above represents a change from name given in question 1, insert here the name at termination of service. As cheques will be prepared in the name given in question 1, a specific address in question 5 is particularly essential.

NOTE: When completed this form is to be mailed to the Headquarters of the Service in which you last served. Viz: Navy—The Secretary, Naval Board, Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa. (To be accompanied by Certificate of Service in the case of ratings.) Army—The Secretary, Department of National Defence (Army), Ottawa. Attention: Paymaster-General. Air Force—The Secretary, Department of National Defence for Air, Ottawa. Attention: Records Officer.

I have never received a certificate of service for my boy who was drowned from an oil barge coming off patrol duty Nov 27th 42. in Courtney Bay off St John.



□ □

R. C. N. H.

Sept. 24th 1940

About 2345 this evening, on going out through the kitchen to the back porch, I discovered W. Seard of Sea patient in D ward, about to open the back door to go outside. He was dressed with suit, overcoat and hat, shoes in one hand and attache case in other. He stated that he was going back to his home in St. John N. B. He was put back in his bed and his clothes taken and locked up.

B. R. Smith S. B. A.
(Night Steward)

Witness S. B. Allen. E. C. Tuckland
(Night Steward)

Noted
J. P. Park
Wardmaster
R. C. N. H.

DISTRIBUTION OF SERVICE ESTATES

Estates Form "P. 4"

MMB

NAVY

Name: **LEARD** Surname **Wellesley E.** Christian Names No.: **72456**

Rank **A.B.** Unit **R.C.N.V.R.** Date of Death **27-11-42**

AMOUNT

W.S.G. \$ **315.07**
L.P.C. \$ **19.61**

Date:

Other Credits.....

Total..... **334.68**

Prev.dist. **19.61**
 This dist. **315.07**

SHARE	RELATIONSHIP	NAME AND ADDRESS	AMOUNT
$\frac{1}{2}$	Father	James E. Leard, Spruce Avenue, East St. John, N.B.	157.54
$\frac{1}{2}$	Mother	Mrs. Myrtle Leard, Spruce Avenue, East St. John, N.B.	157.53
(As next of kin entitled)			
			WSG

AUTHORITY					
H.Q. F.E. No.	VOTE	PRI	H.Q. SUB.	OBJ.	AMOUNT
9999	831	00	50	000	\$315.07
CLASSIFIED BY <i>K.M. Cairns</i>			EXAMINED BY For Chief Treasury Officer		

DISTRIBUTION APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED

.....
 (L. M. FIRTH) Colonel
 Director of Estates

AUDITED FOR PAYMENT

.....
 For Chief Treasury Officer

Base - Intestacy laws.
of N.B. Father & Mother
Equally ●

Mrs Myrtle Leard
Spence et al

East St. John N.B.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
NAVY ===== ARMY ===== AIR FORCE
STATEMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

2
ARMY

DECEASED
MEMBER'S
NAME

Wellesley Everett
(CHRISTIAN NAMES)

LEARD
(SURNAME)

REGISTER NO. 3979

FILE NO. NS.V-2456

PAYEE
ADDRESS

Director of Estates,
308 Sparks St.,
Ottawa, Ont.

for Service Estate of
Wellesley E. Leard,
NA.V-2456

DATE 18 May/45
SERVICE NO. V-2456

FINAL RANK OR RATING A.B.

DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE

17 July/42

DATE OF DISCHARGE 27 Nov/42

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 767 EQUAL TO 25 COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50
30

\$ 187.50^c

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SEE PAR. 2 OVERLEAF FOR EXPLANATION

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PREPARED BY _____ CHECKED BY _____

TREASURY
CHECKED BY _____ DATE _____

SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

for Dir. Naval Pay Actg.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING
PATRON-IN-CHIEF OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE SERVICE LEAGUE

GRAND PATRON:
HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE EARL OF ATHLONE, K.G., GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA

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P.O. BOX 640
CABLE ADDRESS: CANLEG

January 12, 1945

406103

Officer i/c Records,
Department of National Defence,
Naval Service,
Ottawa, Ont.

Re #V-2456- Wellesley E. LEARD (Deceased)
Mother- Mrs. Myrtle Leard, Spruce Ave.,
East Saint John, N.B.

Dear Sir:

The mother of the above noted has requested these Headquarters to make representations to your Department in an effort to obtain a Certificate of Service of her deceased son.

She advises that she never received a Certificate of Service in respect to her son, and also informs us that he met his death on November 27th, 1942, while coming off duty on an oil barge, in Courtney Bay, off Saint John, N.B.

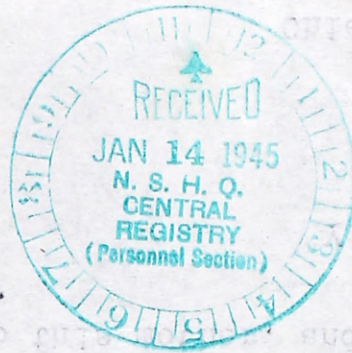
It would be appreciated if a Certificate of Service could be forwarded to this mother, and these Headquarters advised in regard thereto.

Yours faithfully,

for R. Hale,
Chief Pensions Officer.

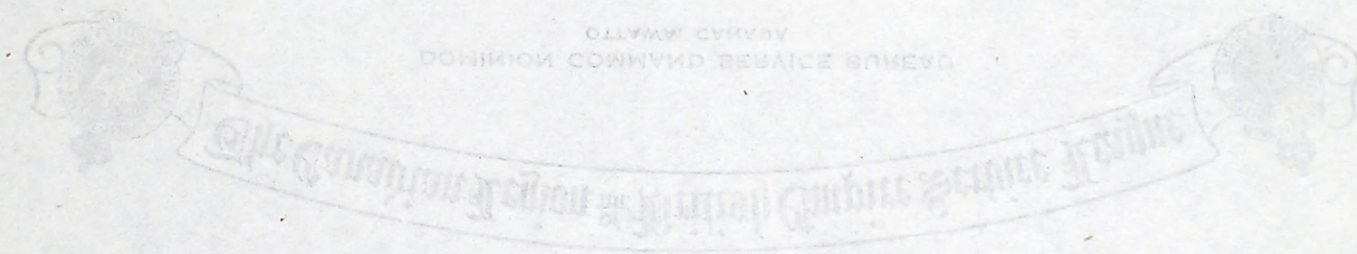
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sent mother a statement of service and inform Can Legion that it is not possible to send original as but a statement of service has been sent.
"They served till death! Why not we?"



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P.O. BOX 640
CABLE ADDRESS: CANLEG

January 12, 1945

The Secretary,
Naval Board,
Naval Service Headquarters,
Ottawa, Ont.

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Re #V-2456- Wellesley E. LEARD (Deceased)
Mother- Mrs. Myrtle Leard, Spruce Ave.,
East Saint John, N.B.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is application for War Service
Gratuity completed and signed by the mother of the above noted
deceased Naval Rating.

She has requested these Headquarters to forward same to
you, and at the same time advise that she has never received a
Certificate of Service for her son from the Naval Authorities.

While on service, the above noted deceased Rating assigned
\$30.00 per month to his mother, and also contributed some casual
amounts from time to time.

It would be appreciated if you would consider this appli-
cation of the mother of the above noted for her son's War Service
Gratuity; and pay same at an early date as she states this money
would be very useful in repairing damage to her house, caused by a
fire sometime ago.

Yours faithfully,

R. Hale
for R. Hale,
Chief Pensions Officer.

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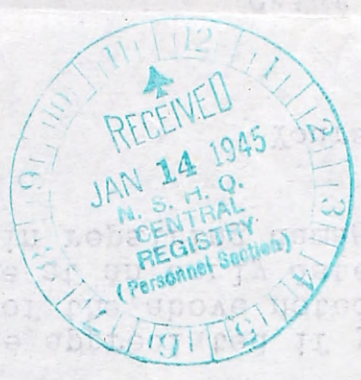
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"They served till death! Why not we?"

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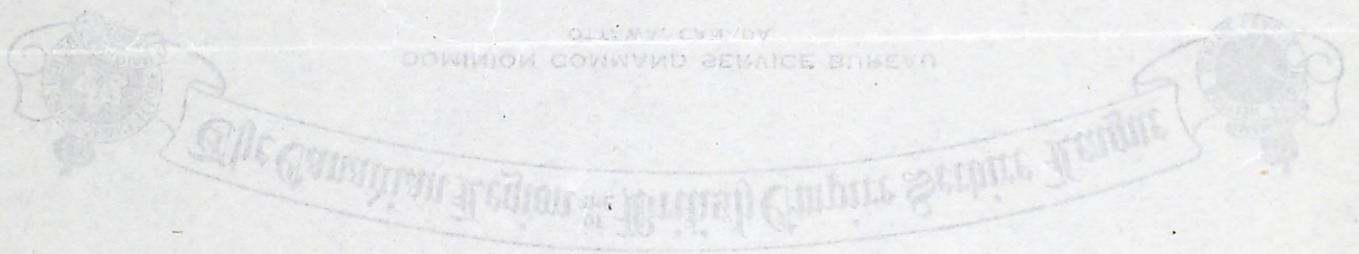
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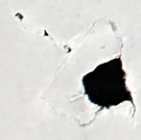
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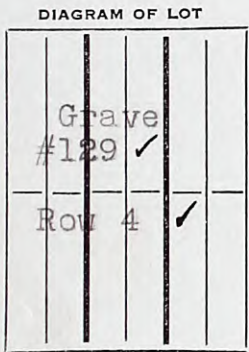
FERNHILL CEMETERY

ORDER FOR INTERMENT

BURIAL PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MUST BE PRESENTED BEFORE INTERMENT CAN BE MADE.

The undersigned hereby requests and authorizes, Fernhill Cemetery Company, in accordance with and subject to its rules and regulations, to inter on the 5th day of Dec. 1942 the remains of Wellesley E. Leard aged 21 years 9 months 12 days who died at Drowned in Courtenay Bay on the 27 day of Nov. 1942 Occupation Gunner R. C. N. born at Windsor, N. S. Nearest relative E. J. Leard (Father) address Spruce Ave. East St. John
RELATION TO DECEASED
Cause of death Drowning Attending Physician Dr. Emerson Cor.
Lot No. 3893 situate on Central Ave. owned by Fernhill Cemetery Co.
Dated at Saint John this 4 day of December 1942

Signature of Proprietor of Lot or Legal representative }
Address



Funeral Service at Brenans at 2:30 o'clock
(Countersigned) N. W. Brennan & Sons
Funeral Director

This order, PROPERLY SIGNED, must be presented at the Cemetery 24 hours before the funeral.
Every Order for interment must be signed by the Proprietor, or his or her legal Attorney, and after the decease of the Proprietor, by the authorized representative appointed either by the heirs or the Board of the Fernhill Cemetery Company. (Form 1, 1941)

Over

File No. N.S. 113-L-539.....

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- Naval Service -

WAR MEMORIAL CROSS

Issued to:-

Wife:-

Mother:-

Mrs. J.E. Leard,
Spruce Avenue,
EAST SAINT JOHN, N.B.

Date forwarded:- MAR 19 1943

Registered Mail No:- 4948

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. "CAPTOR II" at SAINT JOHN, N.B.

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Name WELLESLEY EVERETT LEARD (Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating ABLE SEAMAN Official No. V-2456 (If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth WINDSOR, N.S. Date of Birth 16 FEBRUARY, 1921

Occupation in Civil Life PAINTER Religion UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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) 2 years, 3 months, & 15 days.

Date of Death 27 November, 1942. Place of Death Courtenay Bay, East St. John, N.B.

Cause of Death Accidental Drowning. (If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Particulars not yet known.

Nearest known relative or friend. Name Mrs. J. E. Leard Relationship Mother. Address Spruce Avenue. East Saint John, N. B.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship 28 November, 1942.

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

Place of Burial (if known) Date of Burial (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave (if known)

Undertaker employed (if any)

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

CAPTAIN, R.C.N.R. Commanding Officer. H.M.C.S. "CAPTOR II" 28 November, 1942

The NAVAL SECRETARY, Department of National Defence, 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.

LA:FMW

N.S. 30-17-1
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- Naval Service -

C.N.P. ✓

Submitted:

With reference to C.N.P.'s memorandum to N.P.R., dated the 7th of October, 1942, respecting presumption of death by C.N.P. or Staff, in connection with casualties "where there is any doubt as to the possibility of officers or ratings having been saved", may presumption of death and date now be set, please, for the undermentioned.

Originating signal reads as follows:

"Regret to report that Wellesley Leard O/Smn. O.N. V-2456 missing, presumably drowned Courtenay Bay, East Saint John, N.B. evening of 27th. Dragging for body still continuing. Next of kin has been informed."

1320Z/28

from: N.O.I.C. Saint John, N.B.

H. J. [Signature]

.....
Naval Personnel Records.

OTTAWA, 1 December, 1942.

1 December, 1942.

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Sir:

In accordance with Naval Order No. 839, it is notified for your information that the following casualty in the Naval Forces of Canada has been reported:

<u>NAME, RANK/RATING NO.</u>	<u>PLACE, DATE & CAUSE of DEATH</u>	<u>NEXT OF KIN</u>
LEARD, Wellesley Everett Able Seaman, V-2456, R.C.N.V.R.	"Missing". While this rating is listed as missing it is impossible to make an estimate as to his chances of survival. When date of presumption of death is received you will be notified.	Mother: Mrs. J.E. Leard, Spruce Avenue, EAST SAINT JOHN, N.B.

ALLOTMENTS IN FORCE

<u>In favour of:</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Initials.</u>
Mrs. Myrtle L. Leard, Spruce Ave. East St. John, N.B.	Mother	\$30.00	L.D.
Receiver General of Canada War Saving Certificates, Ottawa.		\$4.00	L.D.
American Clothing House, St. John, N.B.	WILL: No record.	\$5.00	L.D.

Yours truly,

Jmf
2/12/42

R. A. ...
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Administrator of Estates,
Estates Branch,
Department of National Defence,
OTTAWA.

H.B.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- Naval Service -

Ottawa, Canada,

..... 1 December, 1942,
(Date)

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Sir:

The following casualty has been reported -

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK or RATING</u>	<u>NAVAL NO.</u>
LEARD, Wellesley Everett	Able Seaman	V.2456, R.C.N.V.R.
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<u>DATE OF ENLISTMENT</u>	25 July, 1940. Active Service: 12 August, 1940.	
<u>DATE OF DISCHARGE</u>	_____	
<u>HOSPITAL</u>	_____ (If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D.P. & N.H.)	
<u>SERVICE</u>	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.

"MISSING" at Courtenay Bay, East St. John, N.B.

While this rating is listed as missing it is

impossible to make an estimate as to his chances of survival. When date of presumption of death is received you will be notified.

(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

<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>	Mother	<u>NAME</u>	Mrs. Myrtle L. Leard
<u>ADDRESS</u>	Spruce Avenue, EAST SAINT JOHN, N.B.		

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

<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>PAID TO</u>	Mother (not stopped)
<u>MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE AT \$</u>	Nil	<u>PER DIEM PAID TO</u> - Nil
<u>DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE AT \$</u>	Nil	<u>PAID TO</u> Nil
<u>TOTAL MONTHLY PAYMENT TO - WIFE \$</u>	Nil	

Computed by [Signature] DEPENDENTS \$ 30.00
Checked by [Signature]

[Signature]
SECRETARY,
NAVAL BOARD.

The Secretary,
The Canadian Pension Commission.

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

(See reverse side for further instructions.)

X Nil in receipt of D.G.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
Naval Service

REMARKS: Service documents will be forwarded as soon as further information has been received.

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF DISCHARGE	REMARKS

NOTES: This form to be accompanied by documents only in cases of (a) discharge medically unfit (b) Death in Canada (c) Death anywhere if question of misconduct arises. Report of Board of Inquiry to be forwarded if disability or death is due to accidental injury in Canada or possible misconduct -- If Documents are not readily available this form should be sent at once with advice that documents will follow as soon as possible.

REPORT OF CASUALTY

NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NOTE: If records indicate that training was reported from his wife legally or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any Court Order, the Department's Agreement, etc., to be furnished.

OFFICER'S OR PATIENT'S FULL NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

DATE OF DISCHARGE: _____

REMARKS: _____

SECRETARY
NAVAL BOARD

(See reverse side for further instructions.)

Copy for The Sec. D.P. & N.R.

NDB

No. L.A. 38

ORIGINAL

113-2-539
H.Q. File No.

DECLARATION OF ALLOTMENT

167280

List and Number in Ledger	ALLOTOR	Rank or Rating	Official No.	Daily Rate of Pay
H.M.C.S. "CAPTOR II" 5II-145 220	Surname..... LEARD Christian Names } Wellesley Everett	A.B.	V-2456	\$1.85

Section A ALLOTMENT NOW DECLARED

FULL NAME OF ALLOTTEE	Relationship	ADDRESS	Rate per Month to be charged on ledger	Month to commence. Payable on last working day
Surname..... LEARD Christian Names } (Mrs) Myrtle L.	Mother	Spruce Avenue, East Saint John, N.B.	\$20.00	NEW JULY '42

Section B DISPOSAL OF EXISTING ALLOTMENTS

(See Note 1 below)

The following allotments are in force:—

Rate	NAME OF ALLOTTEE	ADDRESS	These allotments are to be disposed of as indicated below. (See Note 2):—
\$5.00	Bond Clothes Shop	Barrington St., Halifax, N. S.	JULY New Allotment No.

Allotment Declarations	Initials	Date
Ent'd. on Index Card	Jsty.	16/7/42
Ent'd. on Allotment Ledgers		

Note 1:—If there be no existing Allotment, the word "NIL" should be written across Section B.
Note 2:—Write "Increased or reduced as Section A"; "To be stopped (charged to.....)"; "To be continued," etc.

Allotter's Signature authorizing charges..... *W.E. Leard*
A.B. Rank or Rating V-2456.

ENTERED IN FAIR LEDGER

ENTERED IN ROUGH LEDGER

R. Brown

[Signature]

The allotment now declared has been duly entered in the Fair and Rough Ledgers with effect from the appropriate date. The reduction or transfer has been duly approved by the Commanding Officer and the reasons for the alteration are:—

THE NAVAL SECRETARY,
Department of National Defence,
(Naval Service)
Ottawa, Ont.

P. T. Morgan
Accountant Officer
per A. Paymaster Lt. Cdr. RCNVR.
H.M.C.S. "CAPTOR II".

JUL 1 1942

Forwarded.....

TWENTY *

* 20.00

LEARD, WELLESLEY EVERETT

V-2456

MRS. MYRTLE L. LEARD,

SPRUCE AVE.,
EAST SAINT JOHN, N.B.

DATE	INITIALS	
		Declaration received at Headquarters.....
		Declaration examined.....
		Approved.....
		Index card made.....
		Allotment ledger sheet made.....
		Allotment ledger sheet checked.....
		Type plate made.....

FOR USE AT HEADQUARTERS ONLY

NOT MORE THAN ONE MONTHLY ALLOTMENT SHOULD BE DEALT WITH ON THIS SHEET

LA/CM

113-L-539.

28th January, 1943.

Sir:

With reference to N.S. 113-L-539 of the 1st of December, 1942, Naval Board approval has now been given to presume the death of the late Wellesley Everett Leard, Able Seaman, Official Number V-2456, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, as having occurred on the 27th of November, 1942, at Courtenay Bay, Saint John, N.B.

Yours truly,

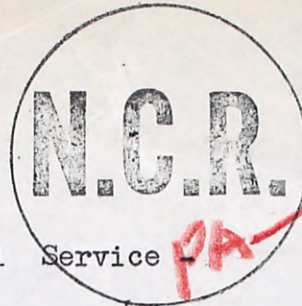
H.B. Money

for

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Administrator of Estates,
Estates Branch,
Department of National Defence,
Ottawa, Ontario.

The Secretary,
Department of Pensions & National Health,
Daly Building,
OTTAWA, Ontario.



N.S. 113-L-539.

- Naval Service

113-L-539

D.M.N.A.:

From instructions regarding the Royal Message of Condolence (File 30-23-2) the following case would appear to be eligible for inclusion under clause (2) which reads:

"(2) From accident on duty or arising directly out of the employment: e.g.

in collision between one of H.M. Ships and another vessel due to loss or damage to one of H.M. Ships owing to contact with a British mine; due to flying accidents when on duty but not in combat with enemy; due to handling of lethal weapons, gun explosions, and so forth, no distinction being made between causes containing no "active service risk" compared with civil risks, and causes containing a large "active service risk";

in the Royal Navy and Royal Marines from accidents at sea or on board ship, in harbour or in barracks, etc., including those of a kind which might easily occur in peace, as the result, for instance, of ordinary marine risks;

providing he were not excluded under clauses (6) and (7) which read:

"(6) in disgraceful circumstances;

(7) due to negligence or misconduct of deceased."

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RATING</u>	<u>OFFICIAL NUMBER.</u>
Wellesley Everett, LEARD	Able Seaman	V-2456, R.C.N.V.R.

Cause of death: Accidental drowning at Courtenay Bay, East, St. John, on the 27th of November, 1942.

Finding of the Board of Inquiry is as follows;

"It is the opinion of the Board that the death of this rating was caused principally by his own actions in upsetting the dory while being taken ashore.

The Board is also of the opinion that, had Chief Petty Officer McGinnis carried out proper Naval routine in removing from this rating's possession, the bottle of whiskey that he had onboard, and immediately reported same to the Officer of the Watch, that this accident might have been prevented."

Submitted for decision please.

H.B. Money
(H.B. Money),

Paymr. Lieut. Commander, R.C.N.R.,
Officer I/C Naval Personnel Records.

Royal Message sent 10/2/43
Canadian " " 10/2/43
N.P.R. [Signature]

O T T A W A, 29th January, 1943.

NPR
Cannot see any objections to the "Royal Message" in this case
[Signature] 5.1.43

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CANDIDATES

FOR ENTRY IN THE
ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

NATIONAL DEFENCE

MIL 31 1840

113-2539

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Name (in full) Wellesley Everett Seard
Date and place of birth Windsor Nova Scotia February 16, 1921
(Birth certificate, declaration by parents or affidavit as to date of birth must be attached)
Permanent place of residence Spruce Ave. East St John N.B.
Nearest town to residence (if living in country) Saint John
Are you a British subject? Yes
Are you single, married or a widower? single
In what capacity do you wish to enrol? Ordinary Seaman
(See standards of qualifications in attached pamphlet)
Present occupation or trade Labourer
(Attach any testimonials or recommendations)
Do you belong to any Naval, Military, Reserve or Territorial Force? No
Have you ever served with such forces? Give dates and details. No
Have you ever been discharged from any of H. M. Forces as medically unfit? No
Have you ever offered to serve in any of H. M. Forces and been rejected? No
What is your weight? 125 What is your height? 5'11 1/2"
What is your chest measurement (not inflated)?
Are you free from all physical defects or malformation, and not subject to fits? Yes
Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities? Yes

I hereby declare that the above answers are true in every respect.

Wellesley Seard Signature
June 4 1938 Date
Spruce Avenue East Address

Act. Lieut J. M. Davie R.C.N.V.R. (Temp.)
(Witness to Signature)

This is to certify that I have personally seen the birth certificate of this applicant, or a sworn declaration as to his date of birth.

I certify his date of birth, according to legal documentary evidence, to be as stated

Signed James B. Cross
Commanding Officer

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5M-9-39 (1815)
N.S. 815-11-3

Baptist Ch - East St John 3-5826
Mr. Hutchison
County Hospital
Dr. Collins. OK.

CDR. R.C.N.V.R. (TEMP)

East St John.N.B.
March 23/43.

NO H.Q.II3 1.539.f.d I2I.

Department of Naval Defence.

Estates Branch.

Dear Sirs:-



Received Memorial Cross and would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for it. in Honor of A.B. Wellesley Leard R.C.N.V.R.w.2456

I would also like to inquire about some money that was in my Sons billfold, I was told at the Navy Headquarters here that it had been sent to your department I received his wallet but so far I have had no word of the money , There was twenty two dollars in it.

I would like to inquire if there is not some kind of Navy insurance or anything that will take the place of the money I was getting from him. I needed it very much as I was not receiving any ~~other~~ money other than my pension, and I needed every cent of it as we are building a house and we were burned out a year ago, and are building over again and it is takeing every cent .

My son was helping very generously, now with it cut off it is very hard , I have had a lot of sickness and extra expence And large bill at the hospital, I needed very badly the money mySon was giving me so I would like to know if there is not something I can do or some way I can apply for an insurance or pension to help to take the place of the help he was giveing me.

My other Son has been in England for three years, and is Married so I get no help from him.

My daughter is in the C.W.A.C. and her pay is very small so I cant expect help from her .

I think I should get some help him giving his life, even if I do get a pension it was due to the last war, Wellesley was the only one I had to depend on for any extra help and I needed it badly,

Would you please let me know if there is something that can be done even for a short time would help a lot .

I would like to thank the Navy for the Funeral arrangements and their kindness during my sad bereavement. ✓

Thanking you again

I Remain

Mrs Myrtle Leard.
Spruce Avenue.
East St. John.N.B.