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MYLES

ORVILLE

RONAL

DURATION OF HOSTILITIES

~~True Copy of the~~  
**CERTIFICATE of the Service of**

Orville Ronald M. Y. L. E. S.  
 in the Naval Service of Canada

The corner of this Certificate is to be cut off whenever it is considered that the man's antecedents and character are such as to render his re-entry at any future time undesirable. Whenever the corner is cut off the fact is to be noted in the Ledger.

PORT DIVISION HALIFAX, Nova Scotia OFFICIAL NUMBER A 2405

Date of birth 4th October, 1904.

Where born { Town South Woodslee,  
 County and province Essex, Ontario.

Usual place of residence 942 Oak Ave, Windsor, Ont.

Trade brought up to Fireman and Oiler.

Religious denomination United Church of Canada.

Next of kin Wife - Clara, same address

Can swim.....

Man's signature on discharge to pension.....



CONTINUOUS SERVICE ENGAGEMENTS			MEDALS, CLASPS, ETC.	
Date of actual volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for	Date Received	Nature of Decoration
<u>8th August, 1940.</u>		<u>Duration of Hostilities</u>		

DESCRIPTION OF PERSON	STATURE		COLOUR OF			MARKS, WOUNDS AND SCARS
	Feet	In.	Complexion	Hair	Eyes	
On entry as a boy.....						
On advancement to man's rating, or on entry under 28 years.....	<u>5</u>	<u>9 1/2</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>Hazel</u>	<u>Nil.</u>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....						
Further description if necessary.....						

Name.....

SHIP'S NAME	LIST AND No.	RATING	FROM	TO	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE
Stadacona	-	Stoker	8 Aug '40	8 Aug '40	
	-	Ldg. Sto	9 Aug '40	13 Oct '40	
Niagara	-	"	14 Oct '40	22 July '41	
Stadacona	-	"	23 July '41	31 Oct '41	
Hochelaga	-	Act. SPO (A)	1 Nov '41	3 Nov '41	
Venture (Ganongue)	-	-	4 Nov '41	6 Nov '41	
Stadacona	-	-	7 Nov '41	26 Nov '41	
Sambre (Calgary)	-	-	27 Nov '41	15 Dec '41	
Stadacona (Calgary)	-	"	16 Dec '41	Boogie	
Stadacona	-	"	17 Jan '42	17 Oct '42	
Stadacona (Hodrich)	-	"	18 Oct '42	27 Oct '42	
	-	"	28 Oct '42	30 Oct '42	
	-	Stoker P.O. (A)	1 Nov '42	14 Aug '43	"D.D."



DATE	Wounds received in Action and Hurt Certificate; also any Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prize or other Grants	CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE
8 Oct '41	Issued S.C.T.W. 8475	1058
4 May '42	SC TW # 20560	1954





OFFER OF SERVICE

M 12303

NAME:- *Orville Nyles*

Address and Telephone Number:-

*942 Oak Ave Windsor*

Rank last held (if any):-

Date of Birth:- *Oct 4/1904*

*35*

Naval and/or Mercantile shipping experience:-

*Fireman & Oiler  
Detroit Windsor Ferry Co  
Wabash Ry Co*

Any other special qualifications:-

*Stationary Engineer 4th Class Certificate*

Languages spoken:-

*English*

Any physical defects (especially eyesight):-

*None*

Occupation in civil life:-

*Salesman Walther's Dairy*

*Robert Nyles*

# QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CANDIDATES

FOR ENTRY IN THE

F034879

ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

JUN 24 1940

N.S. 11371113

CANADA

5  
Paper  
11371113  
1940  
Ontario 4th Class Electric Station Engineer  
11371113 serial 4814

Name (in full)..... Quille Ronald Myles

Date and place of birth..... Woodslee Ontario Canada Oct 4 1904  
(Birth certificate, declaration by parents or affidavit as to date of birth must be attached)

Permanent place of residence..... 942 Oak ave Windsor

Nearest town to residence (if living in country).....

Are you a British subject?..... yes

Are you single, married or a widower?..... Married

In what capacity do you wish to enrol?..... Seaman Stoker  
(See standards of qualifications in attached pamphlet)

Present occupation or trade..... Salesman  
(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?..... 148 What is your height?..... 5'9 1/2"

What is your chest measurement (not inflated)?..... 36 - mean

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.

..... Quille R. Myles ..... Signature

..... Mar 1 1940 ..... Date

..... 942 Oak ave Windsor ..... Address

..... W. A. Long .....  
(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..... Oct 4th 1904

Signed..... J. Marshall Lewis .....  
Commanding Officer



CANADA

DUPLICATE

Can. B. 207

60M-4-40 (4636)  
N.S. 815-2-207

# Certificate of Medical Examination of Officers, Men and Boys

## 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 Myles Orville  
candidate for entry as Stoker R.C.N.V.R. (1)  
and I believe him to be <sup>\*</sup>in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service. <sub>unfit for His Majesty's Service for the reason stated below.</sub> He has signed the Certificate given below in my presence.

†Strike out if inapplicable. \* Delete one.

This examination has been made in accordance with the current Instructions as to Medical Standards.

Age (Years / Months)	Weight without Clothes	Height with Bare Feet	General Development	Chest Girth	Vision by— (i) Snellen's Types (ii) Colour Vision	Vaccinated or re-vaccinated for Small Pox (Date)	Lungs, Heart, etc.	Abdomen, Hernia, etc.	Limbs and Joints	Skin	Ears and Hearing	Testes, Variocele, etc.	Mouth, Teeth (No. deficient and No. defective, if any), Nose, Tonsils, etc.	Anus, Haemorrhoids, etc.
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)
35 9/12	150 lbs.	5 9 1/2 ft. ins.	Good	39 inches (a) maximum 37 (b) minimum 38 (c) mean	right eye 6/6 left eye 6/6 colour vision 2 (G)	1923	Normal *X-Ray	Normal	Normal	Clear	Normal	Normal	Deficient 2 Defective 2 Treat. 6/5	external tags

\*Insert either:—NT (not taken) App. (approved) Pos. (positive) or Doubt. (doubtful)

If colour vision is not normal by Ishihara test, degree of colour blindness to be indicated.

### CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY 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, vaccination, or inoculations as may be authorized.

†The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.  
‡Strike out if inapplicable.

Orville Myles  
Signature of Candidate

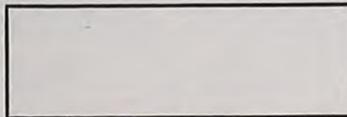
When a Candidate is subject to a defect or disability, the following information is to be inserted:

This Candidate is the subject of external haemorrhoidal tags not

significant  
\* ~~which renders him medically unfit for service,~~ —  
not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

\*Delete one.

IF REJECTED  
insert here  
UNFIT  
in block letters



Dated at Halifax NS the 12 of July 1940.

L.S. Hard  
Examining Medical Officer  
SURGEON LIEUT.

(Rank).....

(NAVAL SERVICE)

CONFIDENTIAL

FROM: Captain (D) Halifax.

DATE: 2nd September, 1943.

FILE: D. 4-22-2.

TO : The Commander-in-Chief,  
Canadian Northwest Atlantic,  
Area Combined Headquarters.

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LOSS AT SEA OF STOKER PETTY OFFICER O.R. MYLES, OFFICIAL  
NUMBER A.2435 - H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"  
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The enclosed findings of a Board of Enquiry held on 23rd August, 1943, to investigate the loss at sea of the above named rating from H.M.C.S. "GODERICH" are submitted and concurred in.

2. It is considered that there should have been a standing order in the ship's organization to the effect that any rating reporting "Man Overboard" should immediately launch a life buoy fitted with calcium flare, though it is agreed that in this case, such action would not necessarily have contributed to the rescue of the deceased.

3. Attached is a list of relevant documents which are enclosed for information.



J. D. PRENTICE

(J.D. Prentice)  
A/CAPTAIN, R.C.N. (TEMP)  
CAPTAIN (D) HALIFAX

Encls. *7 copies of S. 1121*  
*2 copies of minutes & Goderich letter*  
P/OL *1 copy of other encls.*

II..P.T.O...

II.

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File...C.N.A. 55-2-1/285.

The Secretary, Naval Board,  
Department of National Defence,  
OTTAWA.

Submitted for the consideration of the Department.

2. I concur in the remarks of Captain (D) Halifax.

3. Enclosures 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and six copies of  
form C.N.S.1121 are attached.



L.W. MITCHELL  
*[Signature]*

The Commander-in-Chief,  
Canadian North West Atlantic,  
8th September, 1943.

(R.E.S. Bidwell)  
FOR REAR ADMIRAL, R.C.N.

J. D. FERRELL



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NAVAL MESSAGE

For use in  
Cypher or  
Coding Office  
only

Originators Instructions:  
(Indication of Priority,  
Personal, NOTWT  
For Exercise).

IMMEDIATE

CONFIDENTIAL

INTERCEPT GROUP

TO: HALIFAX W/T

FROM:  
"GODERICH"

LOST MAN OVERBOARD 1 MILE 338° FROM SAMBRO LIGHT VESSEL SEARCHING  
VICINITY.

150315Z

Book or Table to be used for		Initials of Cypherer or Coder.	Time of Receipt in Cypher or Coding Office.	Date.
Cyphering or Coding.	Recyphering or Recoding.			

V19045 OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME MYLES Orville Ronald  
(Surname) (Given Names)

A-2408  
OFFICIAL NUMBER V19045

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
Div. Str. Windsor	Stoker II	14	6	40													
HMCS Stadacona	" "	9	7	40													
HMCS Stadacona	Stoker I	11	7	40													
DISCHARGED	" "	7	8	40	Transfer to R.C.N.R. (Memo 29-6-40)												

GENERAL REMARKS

NO.	OF	BIRTH	PLACE	CIVIL	SEC.	RELIED	TERM	RESIDENCE	PROV.	ENL.	RANK OR RATE	
BY	NO.	HR.	SIGN.	PLAID	SUB.	STG.	ACTY.	TOWNS	SPN.	DIV.	A	BR. RANK
04	0	04	11	6.60	X	30	X	12	12	0	11	0/1595
NO.	OF	DATE	ACT.	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	RANK OR RATE
BY	NO.	HR.	BY	NO.	HR.	BY	NO.	HR.	BY	NO.	HR.	RANK OR RATE
14	06	40	09	07	40							9830 0/1594
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BY	NO.	HR.	BY	NO.	HR.	BY	NO.	HR.	BY	NO.	HR.	RANK OR RATE
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V.D. 13/1/43

V19045

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

113-M-1113

OFFICIAL NUMBER V19045

NAME

MYLES

(Surname)

Orville Ronald

(Given Names)

DATE OF BIRTH

4th October, 1904

PLACE OF BIRTH

Woodslee, Essex, Ont.

OCCUPATION

Salesman

RELIGION

Protestant

EDUCATION

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

942 Oak Ave.,

Town

Windsor

Province, etc.

Ont.

Date (in figures)			Period	DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE		
Day	Month	Year		Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates
										From	To
14	6	40	H.O.	5' 9"	Brown	Blue	Fair	Nil			

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

Wife

NAME (in pencil)

Mrs. Clara Myles

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

942 Oak Ave.

Town

Windsor

Province, etc.

Ont.

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	

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			

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

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To



A 2405

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME MYLES

Orville Ronald

OFFICIAL NUMBER

A 2405

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
Stadacona	Sto.	8	8	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	40							
"	Ldg. Sto.	9	8	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41							
Niagara	"	15	10	40		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Stadacona	"	23	7	41													
Hochelaga	A/Sto. P.O. (ty)	1	11	41	Advanced by 249A#9254 of 13.2.43.												
Gananoque	"	7	11	41													
Stadacona	"	26	11	41													
HMCS "Calgary"	"	16	12	41													
HMCS "Stadacona"	"	21	5	42	(DRD)												
" "Calgary"	"	27	5	42	(DRD)												
" "Stadacona"	"	18	10	42	(DRD H25)												
" "Goderich	"	28	10	42	(174886)												
	Sto. P.O. (ty)	1	11	42	Confirmed												
DISCHARGED	"	14	8	43	"Missing on Active Service" W/T 151530Z/Aug/43 "Presumed Dead" to date 14.8.43	V.G.	Sat.	14	8	43							

GENERAL REMARKS

Discharged "Dead" Stad's Sub. H-55-M-3750 of 21-8-43  
 Widow of this rating has been awarded pension in respect of her husbands death, with effect from the 15th August, 1943 with additional allowances for her four children. (Memo 18-12-43)  
 Canadian Memorial Cross forwarded to Wife: Mrs. Clara Myles, 942 Oak Ave., Windsor, Ontario. 30-11-43.

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	CIVIL OCCU.	RELIED	TEMP. RESIDENCE	PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE
04 04 11	666	0	30	X	12 12	3 99 0 15 94
ENLIST. DATE	BY	MO. YR.	MO. YR.	MO. YR.	MO. YR.	MO. YR.
08 40	08 40					3260 0 15 92
PRIORITY	STR.	NON-SUB.				CHECKED
01 10 43						eta mmm
01 11 42						20 14 08 43

A 2405

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

123-M-450

OFFICIAL NUMBER

A 2405

NAME MYLES (Surname) Orville Ronald (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 4 October, 1904PLACE OF BIRTH South Woodslee, Essex Co., Ontario. OCCUPATION Salesman, Horden Company Ltd, Windsor, Ontario. (Fireman & Oiler)RELIGION Protestant EDUCATIONRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 942 Oak Avenue, Town Windsor, Province, etc. Ontario.

ENGAGEMENTS			DESCRIPTION					PREVIOUS SERVICE			
Date (in figures)			Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year								From	To
8	8	40	5' 9"	brown	blue	fair	nil.	RCNVR V 19045		14/6/40	7/8/40.

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Wife NAME (in pencil) Mrs Clara MylesADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 942 Oak Avenue Town Windsor Province, etc. Ont

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	
				8	10	41	Qual. Prof. for Sto. P.O. (Good)				

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		
14	6	43	1st GCB	Granted							

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

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From To



H.M.C. Dockyard,  
Halifax, N. S.  
24th August, 1943.

SIR:

I have the honour to submit herewith Minutes of proceedings of Board of Inquiry held in accordance with your memorandum of 23rd August, 1943.

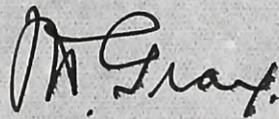
Also attached please find the following enclosures:

- (1) Findings of the Board.
- (2) Your memorandum of 23rd August, 1943, with attachments thereto.
- (3) Original shorthand notes of Writer, Earle G. Norman.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

CAPTAIN (D) HALIFAX,  
H.M.C. Dockyard,  
Halifax, N. S.

FINDINGS OF THE BOARD

Having heard the evidence of the witnesses and having inspected that part of the ship where Stoker Myles was last seen, it is the opinion of this Board:-

- That - H.M.C.S. "GODERICH" was on Escort duty off Sambro Light Vessel.
- That - Stoker Petty Officer Myles came on deck before going on watch.
- That - He was a fit and contented person.
- That - He was not wearing a life belt.
- That - It was not recorded on his Service Certificate that he could swim.
- That - <sup>as</sup> He had been <sup>carrying</sup> ~~wearing~~ <sup>MG</sup> two in number lifebelts, it would appear that this rating was unable to swim.
- That - While standing in the starboard <sup>waste</sup> ~~waste~~ <sup>MG</sup> he was caught by a heavy sea and washed against the depth charge thrower and stunned and that the receding water dragged him overboard at 2351p, approximately, 14th August, 1943.
- That - He was not seen to go.
- That - The guard rails are in a satisfactory state of repair.
- That - The alarm was raised with <sup>commendable celerity</sup> ~~considerable solidarity~~ <sup>MG</sup>.
- That - The ship was handled in a seamen like manner and all possible steps were taken for his immediate recovery.
- That - A life-buoy with flare <sup>attached</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>MG</sup> at hand but was not thrown overboard.
- That - It is considered had the buoy been thrown it would have helped to mark a position but would not necessarily have <sup>resulted</sup> ~~helped~~ <sup>MG</sup> in the recovery of Stoker Petty Officer Myles.
- That - His loss was due to the ordinary perils of the sea.

This Board wishes to extend to the relatives of Stoker Petty Officer Myles, sympathy in their sad loss.

*Kenneth W. Hall*  
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Skipper Lieutenant K. W. N. Hall, R.C.N.R. MEMBER

*R. Jackson*  
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Lieutenant-Commander R. Jackson, R.C.N.V.R. MEMBER

*F. H. Gray*  
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Lieutenant-Commander F. H. Gray, R.N.R. PRESIDENT

THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF  
INQUIRY HELD ON BOARD H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"  
AT HALIFAX, AT 0930 ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
AUGUST, 1943.

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"To hold a full and careful investigation into  
"the circumstances attending the loss at sea  
"of Stoker Petty Officer Orville Ronald Myles,  
"Official Number A.2405 from H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"  
"on 14<sup>th</sup> August, 1943.  
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PRESIDENT

Lieutenant-Commander F. H. Gray, R.N.R.

MEMBERS

Lieutenant-Commander R. Jackson, R.C.N.V.R.  
SKIPPER-Lieutenant K. W. N. Hall, R.C.N.V.

WITNESSES

Lieutenant James Charles Pratt,  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Sub-Lieutenant James Campbell Findlay,  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Marshall Garfield Byers, Officer's Steward,  
Official Number V-37318,  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Gerrard Joseph Omer Begin, Able Seaman,  
Official Number V-43057,  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Gordon Decker, Ordinary Seaman,  
Official Number V-51097,  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

James Richard Wallace McIsaac, E.R.A.  
Official Number V-50055,  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

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Evidence of Lieutenant James Charles Pratt, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, (Temp.), Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. GODERICH.

NAME: Lieutenant James Charles Pratt.

Called and cautioned.

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1. Q. Are you Lieutenant James Charles Pratt, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, (T.) Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"?

A. Yes, Sir.

2. Q. You were inward bound at the time Stoker Petty Officer Myles was lost overboard?

A. Inward bound, yes, Sir.

3. Q. You were <sup>with me</sup> in a convoy?

A. Yes, Sir, we were just about <sup>a bare half mile</sup> ahead of the leading ship, ~~a bare half mile~~ from the Sambro Light Vessel.

4. Q. Just passed <sup>one mile</sup> Sambro Light Vessel?

A. Yes, Sir.

5. Q. What was the weather at the time?

A. The wind was about South Southwest, force six at 2300 and decreasing Sir.

*Chair me*

MAP PRODUCED AND EXAMINED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

6. Q. And a swell was running?

A. Yes, Sir. 33.

LOG BOOK PRODUCED AND EXAMINED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

7. Q. This was about just before midnight?

A. Yes, Sir.

8. Q. Where were you at the time?

A. I was on the Bridge.

9. Q. And there was an Officer on watch with you?

A. Yes, Sir.

10. Q. Who informed you on the Bridge?

A. We were informed by telephone by the after look-out, Sir.

11. Q. That would be about how long after the man went overboard?

A. About three minutes.

12. Q. Was he seen to go over the side?

A. No, Sir.

Evidence of Lieutenant James Charles Pratt, (Continued).

13. Q. Was he seen three minutes before?  
A. Yes, Sir.
14. Q. What action did you take when "Man Overboard" was reported?  
A. I went hard <sup>astern</sup> ~~aport~~ 220 degrees and altered <sup>again</sup> ~~back~~ 180 degrees and went <sup>to run</sup> ~~back~~ along the ship's tracks.
15. Q. You steered a reciprocal course?  
A. Yes, Sir.
16. Q. Were you using search lights?  
A. We had no search lights, Sir, but we tried our signal projectors but they were not satisfactory. I called all the look-outs I could and had them keep a sharp lookout.
17. Q. There was nothing seen or heard?  
A. No, Sir.
18. Q. For about how long did you steer on that course?  
A. <sup>from Sambro L.V.</sup> Just about 1/4 mile - I had an R.D.F. bearing taken and it gave me a mile from Sambro Light Vessel. I was well clear of the convoy. <sup>during the first turn.</sup>
19. Q. What speed were you doing?  
A. About nine and a half knots.
20. Q. And your full speed is?  
A. About fifteen and a half.
21. Q. So there shouldn't have been much suction?  
A. No, Sir, I don't believe so particularly in that sea.
22. Q. He had been inside and had just been called?  
A. Yes, Sir.
23. Q. Is he a fit and content man?  
A. As far as I know yes, Sir.
24. Q. How long has he been in the service?  
A. Since the 8th of August, 1940.
25. Q. He ought to have been used to the motion of the ship by that time?  
A. Yes, Sir, and he was an N.R. rating.
26. Q. Was he a good worker?  
A. Yes, Sir.

Evidence of Lieutenant James Charles Pratt (Continued).

27. Q. Any worries?  
A. Not that I know, Sir.
28. Q. Was he in the best of health?  
A. I don't think he was in the best of health, Sir.
29. Q. What was his age?  
A. Thirty-nine.
30. Q. Do you consider the accident was avoidable in any way?  
A. I believe, Sir, that we would have had a very good chance of picking him up if he had worn his life-belt.
31. Q. You consider if he had had a service inflated life-belt on he would have stood a good chance of being picked up?  
A. Yes, Sir., and not only that but he had a vest <sup>type</sup> tight kapok life belt which he had laid down in the petty officer's mess at the time.
32. Q. He was wearing no life belt at the time, contrary to orders?  
A. Yes, Sir.
33. Q. Do you thing it would have made a big difference?  
A. Yes, Sir.
34. Q. Even in view of the state of the weather?  
A. He would have had a fifty fifty chance, although the water was 54°.
35. Q. Was any life belt thrown to him?  
A. No, Sir.
36. Q. Was there none available?  
A. None Sir.
37. Q. Was there a buoy, with a light attached, near there?  
A. Yes, Sir, one with a calcium flare attached.
38. Q. Did nobody give the order to throw the buoy over? Could not the Depth Charge Sentry have thrown it over or had he no standing orders to throw it over?  
A. He had no orders Sir.
39. Q. Was he able to swim?  
A. I don't know Sir.

SERVICE CERTIFICATE OF DECEASED PRODUCED AND EXAMINED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

No record found on Service Certificate as to his ability to swim.

Evidence of Lieutenant James Charles Pratt (Continued).

40. Q. Have these ships been in the habit of taking a lot of sea over the quarter-deck?
- A. Yes, Sir. On several other occasions the ship has shipped similar seas.
41. Q. Would you give me a rough resume of just what happened?
- A. I believe, Sir, from my own investigation this rating must have injured himself with the depth throwers.
42. Q. Just a moment, The sea was on the port quarter and the Steward was on the Starboard side and then she rolled. *Byers* ~~Myles~~ and the Depth Charge Sentry were also near him. A solid sea came onboard and swept all three of them onto the deck and Byers managed to hold on to the guard-rail and scramble ~~on~~ onboard. The Depth Charge Sentry grabbed the lashing on the Thrower. Myles wasn't seen?
- A. Yes, Sir.
43. Q. There is every chance then that he was washed up against the Throwers and stunned?
- A. Yes, Sir, in as much as Beyers was bruised by bumping up against it.
44. Q. What was the visibility that night?
- A. At the time of the accident the visibility was fairly good?
45. Q. Raining?
- A. It had been raining previously, Sir, and it rained after but not at the time of the accident.
46. Q. You say your ten inch projectors are not good enough?
- A. Yes, Sir, we have an inferior type.
47. Q. You did try them though?
- A. Yes, Sir.
48. Q. You have ~~not~~ <sup>as</sup> been supplied with ~~those~~ <sup>the new type</sup> extra life-belts?
- A. Not yet, we have made many attempts to obtain the new life belt but have not received them yet.
49. Q. When was Myles to go on watch?
- A. On the middle watch.

WITNESS WITHDREW AND ELECTED TO REMAIN.

Evidence of Marshall Garfield Byers, Officer's Steward, Official Number V-37318, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH".

NAME: Marshall Garfield Byers, Officer's Steward.

Called and cautioned.

50. Q. Are you Marshall Garfield Byers, Officer's Steward, Official Number V-37318, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"?
- A. Yes, Sir.
51. Q. Where were you standing at the time you were talking to Myles?
- A. Right by the depth charges, Sir, just abaft the starboard breaker.
52. Q. Will you tell me in your own words just what happened?
- A. I was called to go on watch at twenty to twelve by the Bos'n mate. I went to the Heads and as I was coming out I saw Petty Officer Myles coming out of the wash room. He spoke to me and I spoke to him, and then I went out through the starboard companionway. I think he came out the same way.
53. Q. You're not sure?
- A. No I can't say for sure.
54. Q. But the next time you saw him he was outside by the Depth charges?
- A. Yes, Sir.
55. Q. The ship was moving around considerably at the time?
- A. Rolling considerably, Sir.
56. Q. Were you talking with Petty Officer Myles very long outside?
- A. We were talking for about two or three minutes when the ship took a roll to starboard and the impact threw me against the rail.
57. Q. A solid sea came on board?
- A. Well the ship rolled first and the impact threw me against the guard rail.
58. Q. What about Myles?
- A. I couldn't say Sir. While in that position a sea came on board from the starboard breaker <sup>of force</sup> Sir, swept me off my feet and the water covered my head. I was knocked against the depth charge thrower. I was brought up in a sitting position holding on to the guard rail.
59. Q. You didn't realize Myles <sup>had my</sup> was gone?
- A. No, Sir. I was shocked and exhausted and I managed to get through the wardroom flat and was about up to the ship's office when Seaman Torpedoman said where is Petty Officer Myles and I said I didn't know and to report to the bridge immediately.

Evidence of Marshall Garfield Byers, O.S. (Continued).

60. Q. How long would have elapsed?  
A. About three minutes, Sir.
61. Q. So he went out to tell the after look out to call the Bridge, which the after look-out did?  
A. Yes.
62. Q. At the time did you notice if Stoker Petty Officer Myles was wearing a life belt?  
A. I didn't notice, Sir.
63. Q. So far as you know he was a quiet, healthy, fit type of man?  
A. Yes, Sir.
64. Q. You were definitely off balance when the sea hit you?  
A. That's right, Sir.
65. Q. Was Myles standing forward of you or aft?  
A. He was standing aft of me, Sir.

WITNESS WITHDREW.

Evidence of Gerrard Joseph Omer Begin, Able Seaman, (S.T.) Official Number V-43057, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH".

NAME: Gerrard Joseph Omer Begin, A.B. (S.T.)

Called and cautioned.

66. Q. Are you Gerrard Joseph Omer Begin, Able Seaman, (S.T.) Official Number V-43057, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"?  
A. Yes, Sir.
67. Q. Will you tell me in your own words just what happened when Myles was lost starting from the time you saw him on deck?  
A. I was standing talking to him about St. John, N. B.
68. Q. You were standing right there joking with Petty Officer Myles?  
A. Yes, Sir.
69. Q. And you saw the waves come over the starboard breaker <sup>of fo'c'sle</sup>?  
A. Yes, Sir.
70. Q. And you thought you yelled, "look-out", but you're not certain?  
A. Yes.

Evidence of Gerrard Joseph Omer Begin, A.B. (Continued).

71. Q. And the ship had rolled?

A. Yes, Sir.

72. Q. And was Myles leaning against the rails?

A. I can say that Sir, the waves came very fast and I grabbed the lashing on the thrower.

73. Q. Did you see the wave hit myles?

A. I didn't see it hit Myles Sir, the water was all over us.

74. Q. When the water had receded did you see Myles then?

A. No, Sir.

75. Q. And then you went inside to look for him?

A. Before that I checked on the quarter deck and around the rails and there was no sign of him. I went inside and Steward Byers told me to tell the sentry on the platform to call the bridge and tell them there was a man overboard.

76. Q. When the water first cleared away did you think both had been washed overboard?

A. Yes, Sir.

77. Q. How did you think they had been washed over?

A. I can't say, Sir.

78. Q. After the water hit you did it knock you off your feet?

A. No, it pushed me up against the Throwers, and I grabbed the lashings.

79. Q. Were you behind the other two. There was Byers, then Myles and you were standing next?

A. Yes, Sir.

80. Q. Could you offer any suggestion as to how Myles went over the side?

A. He might have bumped his head on the oil drums just behind the Throwers.

81. Q. What makes you think he went behind the Throwers?

A. Because when I went back there was still water there.

82. Q. Don't you think he might have been washed against the Throwers, stunned and washed over there?

A. Yes, it's possible, Sir.

WITNESS WITHDREW.

Evidence of Sub-Lieutenant James Campbell Findlay, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH".

NAME: Sub-Lieutenant James Campbell Findlay.

Called and cautioned.

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83. Q. Are you Sub-Lieutenant James Campbell Findlay, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"?
- A. Yes, Sir.
84. Q. I understand you were Officer of the Watch at the time of the accident?
- A. Yes, Sir.
85. Q. The weather was rough and the ship was rolling?
- A. Yes, Sir, very rough and rolling considerably.
86. Q. The Commanding Officer was on the Bridge during this time too?
- A. He was Sir.
87. Q. And therefore in charge of the ship?
- A. Yes, Sir.
88. Q. "Man overboard" alarm I understand was reported to the Bridge?
- A. Yes, Sir, I informed the Commanding Officer and then I doubled back to the pom pom platform to check up with the aft look out and make sure it was not a false alarm.
89. Q. You didn't, either yourself, or <sup>order</sup> anybody else throw a life ~~belt~~ <sup>buoy</sup> over the side?
- A. No, Sir, after hearing about the accident from the men I learned it had occurred some three minutes previous.
90. Q. You went aft to confirm the fact that a man was overboard?
- A. Yes, Sir.
91. Q. And in the meantime the Captain had taken action?
- A. Yes, Sir.
92. Q. Did you hear or see anything?
- A. No, Sir.
93. Q. As far as you know nobody had reported having seen or heard anything?
- A. No, Sir, as far as I know nobody heard anything. I saw an egg crate floating in the water and confirmed it to be such.

Evidence of Sub-Lieutenant James Campbell Findlay, (Continued).

94. Q. But you're sure it was an egg crate?

A. Yes, Sir, I'm positive.

95. Q. Is there anything else you can add?

A. No, Sir.

Evidence of Gordon Decker, Ordinary Seaman, Official Number V-51097, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH".

NAME: Gordon Decker, Ord. Sman.

Called and cautioned.

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96. Q. Are you Gordon Decker, Ordinary Seaman, Official Number V-51097, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"?

A. Yes, Sir.

97. Q. You had the first watch on the night of the 14th of August?

A. Yes, Sir.

98. Q. And where were you?

A. I was after look-out.

99. Q. At about a quarter to twelve the ship lurched violently?

A. Yes, Sir.

100. Q. Do you know whether that sea came onboard then?

A. Yes, Sir. It was about four feet high.

101. Q. During or just prior to this time could you see three hands standing down on the quarter deck?

A. No, Sir.

102. Q. But shortly after it was reported to you that there was a man overboard and you were told to inform the Bridge, which you did immediately?

A. Yes, Sir. I saw Byers come out from under the starboard throwers.

104. Q. You didn't see the others?

A. No, Sir.

105. Q. During this time did you see or hear anything?

A. No, Sir.

Evidence of Gordon Decker, Ord. Smn. (Continued).

106. Q. When it was reported to you that there was a man overboard, did it occur to you to throw a lifebelt overboard?
- A. No, Sir.
107. Q. Did you have one handy?
- A. Yes, Sir, but it was too late to throw one over when it was reported.
108. Q. Were you thrown off balance by the roll of the ship?
- A. Yes, Sir. I was thrown slightly off balance.
109. Q. When you were told to notify the bridge and tell them a man was overboard, just how long do you think it was after the ship lurched?
- A. Just long enough after to go into the wardroom flat and check.
110. Q. That would be about two minutes?
- A. Yes, Sir.
111. Q. Did the Bridge answer the telephone immediately?
- A. Yes, Sir.

WITNESS WITHDREW.

Evidence of James Richard Wallace McIsaac, E.R.A., Official Number V-50055, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH".

NAME: James Richard Wallace McIsaac, E.R.A.

Called and cautioned.

112. Q. Are you James Richard Wallace McIsaac, E.R.A. Official Number V-50055, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, of H.M.C.S. "GODERICH"?
- A. Yes, Sir.
113. Q. Did you see Myles during the First Watch just before he went on watch?
- A. Just about twenty or quarter to twelve, Sir.
114. Q. Where was he then?
- A. Inside the main alleyway by the petty officer's mess.
115. Q. I understand you saw his life belts?
- A. Yes, Sir.
116. Q. He was in the habit of carrying two lifebelts?
- A. Yes, Sir.

Evidence of James Richard Wallace McIsaac, (Continued).

117. Q. Was he particularly nervous?

A. I don't know, Sir.

118. Q. Could he swim?

A. I can't say, Sir.

119. Q. You saw both his life belts?

A. He kept the jacket type lifebelt with his "nick" and he carried the issue lifebelt with him.

120. Q. As a mess-mate was he cheerful?

A. Yes, he was very cheerful, Sir.

121. Q. Quite a contented happy kind of chap?

A. Yes, Sir.

122. Q. Did you see both of his life jackets after he went out?

A. Yes, Sir.

WITNESS WITHDREW.

BOARD ADJOURNED AT 1120

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Skipper Lieutenant K. W. N. Hall, R.C.N.R. MEMBER

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*R. Jackson*  
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Lieutenant-Commander R. Jackson, R.C.N.V.R., MEMBER

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*F. H. Gray*  
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Lieutenant-Commander F. H. Gray, R.N.R. PRESIDENT

DECEASED 14 August 1943

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

# AWARDS

**NAVY**

D.D.  
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

MYLES	Orville Ronald	A-2405	Sto. P.O.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	3591
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

R.C.N.R - Jan/44.

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON  
ENTITLED TO Mrs. G. Myles - Widow

ADDRESS: 942 Oak Ave., Windsor, Ont.

24-10-49

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS  
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS  
MOTHER DECEASED

ADDRESS:

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)  
DATE DESP

REGN. NO 2203

(2)

(3)

"WAR SERVICE GRATUITY"

COMPUTATION OF SERVICE

MYLES Orville Ronald A 2405 Stoker P.O.  
 SURNAME CHRISTIAN NAMES OFFICIAL RANK OR RATING  
 IN FULL NUMBER ON DISCHARGE

CAUSE OF DISCHARGE: D.D. Discharged Dead  
Application by widow in receipt of pension

	<u>TOTAL SERVICE</u>	
Date of Active Service	<u>10 July 40</u>	365
Date of Discharge	<u>14 Aug 43</u>	365
Total No. of Days	<u>1131</u>	22
# Less non qualifying service	<u>—</u>	14
		<u>1131</u>
		Total Days <u>1131</u>

	<u>OVERSEAS SERVICE</u>	
% Total No. of Days	<u>899</u>	
# Less non qualifying service	<u>—</u>	
		Total Days <u>899</u>

Record of Service in other Forces (per Naval Records)

Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Active Service \_\_\_\_\_

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J.B. McGregor  
 for (H.B. Money)  
 Payr. Cmdr, R.C.N.R.  
 Officer-in-Charge  
 Naval Personnel Records

DATE: JAN 12 1945

*Applicant's widow  
copy on file*

NON QUALIFYING SERVICE

Overseas

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(%)  
OVERSEAS SERVICE:

Where Serving	From	To	No. of Days
Niagara	14 Oct. '40	22 July '41	282
Genarogue	7 Nov. '41	26 Nov. '41	20
Belgany	16 Dec. '41	17 Oct. '42	306
Godewich	28 Oct. '42	14 Aug. '43	291
			<u>899</u>

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 Officer-in-Charge  
 Naval Personnel Records

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 Computed by \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: JAN 1 1943

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

NAME IN FULL Myles O'Neill Ronald RANK/RATING Sto. P.O. OFF. NO. A. 2405- ADDRESS .....

SHIP	SERVICE			AREA	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS					STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF	
	FROM	TO	DAYS		FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE				CLASP C.V.S.M.
	10-7-40											1939-45	1 star
<i>Mayana</i>	14-10-40	22-7-41	281	<i>Atl.</i>								ATLANTIC	1 star
<i>Cananogue</i>	7-11-41	26-11-41	20	<i>Atl.</i>								FRANCE G.	
<i>Calgary</i>	16-12-41	17-10-42	306	<i>Atl.</i>								AFRICA	
<i>Coderich</i>	28-10-42	14-8-43	291	<i>Atl.</i>								PACIFIC	
												BURMA	
												ITALY	
												DEFENCE	
												C.V.S.M.	2 Clasp
												" CLASP	
												WAR 1945	1 medal
												WAR 1915	

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MECHANICAL TRAINING ESTABLISHMENT

LEADING STOKERS COURSE

CLASS NO. .... 4  
DATE... Oct. 8/41

4th. (16)	Order of Merit	
MYLES, O.R.      A 2405.	Name and Official Number	
Leading Stoker.	Rating	
Oct. 4, 1904.	Date of Birth	
Fitter & Coppersmith.	Trade	
55	Workshop	Section
75	Arithmetic and Mensuration	Section II
77	English	
44	Engineering I	
46	Engineering II	
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$\frac{297}{400}$	Total Section I and II	
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99	Mathematics	Section III
46	Engineering III	
$\frac{145}{200}$	Total Section III	
$72\frac{1}{2}\%$	Percentage %	
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73.7%	Final Percentage %	
Fair power of command; recommend for P.O.	Suitability for C.P.O. Power of Command, Personality etc.	
Willing, conscientious.	REMARKS	

It. Cdr. (E) Dodds.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

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CANADA

**ATTESTATION FORM****FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE**

SURNAME **MYLES** ..... OFFICIAL No. **A.2405**

CHRISTIAN NAMES **Orville Ronald** ..... MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER **Married**

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
942 Oak Ave., Windsor, Ont.		United Church of Canada.
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
4th Oct. 1904.	Town South Woodslee, County Essex Province Ontario.	Mrs. Clara Myles, (Wife) 942 Oak Ave., Windsor, Ont.

**PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT**

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
5 Feet.....	Inflated..... 38	Brown	Hazel	Fair	Nil
9 1/2 Inches.....	Deflated..... 36				
153	Mean..... 37				
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY			
8th August, 1940. 9th August, 1940.	Stoker 1st Cl. (Temp) Leading Stoker (Ty) (Temp)	Fireman & Oiler			

**(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 Reserve, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) (a) ~~That it is my intention to follow the sea for a period of at least five years from this date.~~
- (b) That it is my intention to follow the calling of a Fireman, either at sea or on shore, for a period of five years from this date.
- (c) ~~That it is my intention to follow the sea in an Engine-room capacity for a period of five years from this date.~~

NOTE.—Candidates for enrolment as *Seaman* are to cross out clauses (b) and (c) above.Candidates for enrolment as *Stoker* are to cross out clauses (a) and (c) above.Candidates for enrolment as *E.R.A.* are to cross out clauses (a), (b) and (c) above.Candidates for enrolment as *Engineman* are to cross out clauses (a) and (b) above.

(4) That I have never been rejected from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

\*Cross out clause not applicable.

(5) That (a)\* I ~~have never served, and am not serving in any Naval Military Reserve or Territorial Force.~~

(b)\* I served in.....R.C.N.V.R......for the period shown.

Served in	Rank	From	To
<u>R.C.N.V.R.</u>	<u>Stoker 1st Class</u>	<u>14th June, 1940.</u>	<u>7th Aug. 1940.</u>

(6) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(7) On being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, I undertake and bind myself:—

**and/or Duration of Hostilities**

(a) To serve from the date thereof for five 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 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 Registrar 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.

(8) I am willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this.....12th.....day of September, 1940......

Orville R. Myles

(Signature of Applicant)

(C)

**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I, Orville Ronald Myles.....do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty.

Signature of Applicant.....Orville R. Myles.....

Witness.....Gene.....

Date.....12th September, 1940...... Rank.....Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R......

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

(D)

**CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICIAL**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the man above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration and has taken the oath of

allegiance in my presence this.....12th.....day of September, 1940......

.....Gene.....  
(Signature of Officer and rank)

Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

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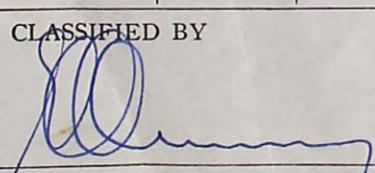
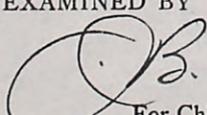
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Rank Unit Date of Death

AMOUNT

Date: December 28, 1943.

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 Other Credits.....  
 Total..... 300.47

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AUDITED FOR PAYMENT

  
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For Chief Treasury Officer

LIST OF PERSONAL EFFECTS BELONGING TO ORVILLE MYLES,  
Stoker P.O., O.N. A-2405

1 Attache Case containing:

1 Kodak Camera	Mending Yarn
1	
1 Practical Engineer Pocket Diary	1 Pencil
Personal Correspondence	3 spools
1 Tooth Brush	1 Pkg. Needles
1 Cigarette Lighter	1 card buttons
1 Plate False Teeth	1 Tie Clip & Collar Stud
1 Whistle	1 Small Chain
1 Sea Shell	Continuous Discharge Book, Department of Commerce, U.S.A.
1 Identification Disc & Chain	Heart-Shaped Stone
1 Pr. Tweezers	1 Key on Key ring
1 Nickel clamp	1 leather folder
2 Nail Files	1 Photograph

1 Tin Hat box containing:

1 Wallet containing snaps & identification card & 44¢ in stamps	1 Bottle Brilliantine
Snapshots in Box	1 Palmolive Shave Cream
1 Flash Light	1 Styptic Pencil
1 Tin containing \$1.18 in 5¢ and 1¢ pieces	1 After Shave Cream
1 Whistle	1 Rolls Razor
1 Chain	1 Pr. Scissors.
2 Pipes	1 Shaving Brush
1 Belt	1 ditty bag.
1 Pen	
1 Comb	
1 Card of Studs & Cuff Links	
5 Cards Aircraft Spotter Carriers from Sweet Caporal Cigarettes	
1 Lock	
1 Pkg Tooth Powder	



Department of National Defence

Naval Service

Ottawa, Canada.

18th November, 1943.

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

No. N.S. 123-M-450.  
C. 1079-4-222 "1".  
PERS. (N).

123-M-450

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 &amp; CAUSE of DEATH</u>	<u>NEXT OF KIN</u>
MYLES, Orville Ronald, Stoker Petty Officer, O.N. A-2405, R.C.N.R.	"Missing", presumed dead. He was lost overboard at sea from the ship in which he was serving. Date of Death: 14 August, 1943.	Wife: Mrs. Clara Myles, 942 Oak Avenue, WINDSOR, Ontario.

ALLOTMENTS IN FORCE

<u>IN FAVOUR OF</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>INITIALS</u>
Wife Mrs. Clara H. Myles 942 Oak Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.	\$120.00	L.D.

*Done 18/11/43.*



WILL: NO RECORD.

Yours truly,

*H.B. Money*

for  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Administrator of Estates,  
Estates Branch,  
Department of National Defence,  
O T T A W A.

STATEMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY - NAVY lypd

Deceased Member's Name **Orville Ronald - MYLES**  
 (Christian Names) (Surname)

Payee **Mrs Clara MYLES.**  
 Address **942. Oak Avenue.**  
**Windsor, Ont.**

Register No. **3756**  
 File No. **A2405**  
 Date **13.1.45**  
 Service No. **A2405**  
 Final Rank or Rating **STO. P.O.**  
 Date of Discharge **14 Aug 43**

Date of termination of overseas service **14 Aug 43**

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE  
 No. of days **1131** equal to **37** complete periods at \$7.50 277.50

B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE  
 No. of days **899** less **21** ineligible days equal to **878** days @ 25¢ per day 219.50

C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE  
 DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

Pay	\$	<b>2.65</b>			
Subsistence or Lodging and Provision Allowance	\$	<b>1.45</b>			
Additional Pay G.C.B.	\$	<b>.05</b>			
H.L.M.	\$	<b>.30</b>			
Dependents' Allowance 1/30 of \$	\$	<b>2.55</b>			
Total		<b>4.00</b>	x 7 =	\$ <b>49.00</b>	
No. of days		<b>878</b>	x \$ <b>49.00</b>		<b>235.09</b>
		<b>183</b>			<b>235.10</b>

D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY ~~432.09~~  
732.10

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

F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE 732.10

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS  
 Dependents' Allowance in issue to you \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of \$ = \$ **732.10**  
 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.

Treasury	
Prepared by	Checked by
	Date

Service Representative

D.N.P.A. CHECK

1	<i>[Signature]</i>	6	<i>[Signature]</i>
2	<i>[Signature]</i>	7	<i>[Signature]</i>
3	<i>[Signature]</i>	8	<i>[Signature]</i>
4	<i>[Signature]</i>	9	<i>[Signature]</i>
5	<i>[Signature]</i>	10	<i>[Signature]</i>

3756

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

Name of Deceased Member Orville R. MYLES Rank or Rating Sts P.O. O.No. 2405

1. Dependents' Allowance and Assigned Pay in force at date of death:

MA		
D.A.	<u>255</u>	<u>Mrs. Clara H. Myles</u>
A.P.	<u>120<sup>00</sup></u>	<u>wife</u>
D.A.	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
A.P.	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

2. Pension awarded or being awarded to: widow as above

3. War Service Gratuity Application(s) received from: Mrs. Clara Myles,  
942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor, Ont.

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:

(X) To be paid to: widow as above In the proportion of: 1

- and -

to: In the proportion of: 1

( ) 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 28/2/45

W. J. Geddes  
for D.N.P.A. (G)

aw ✓  
File No. N.S. 123-M-450. PERS.(N)

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
- Naval Service -

WAR MEMORIAL CROSS



Issued to:-

Wife:- Mrs. Clara Myles,  
942 Oak Avenue,  
WINDSOR, Ontario.

Mother:-

Date forwarded:- 30 Nov./43

Registered Mail No.- 07152

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Secretary  
Naval Board:

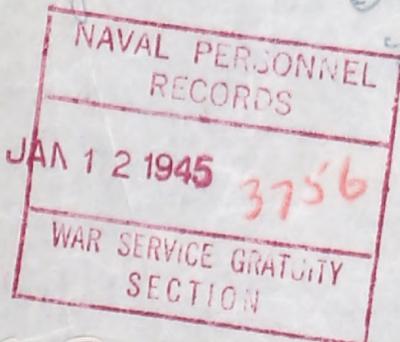
Dear Sir,

I have been instructed to write  
to you for information about  
the War Gratuity, for myself.  
I am the widow of a navy  
man, with four dependant  
children.

My husband, Orville Ronald Myles,  
was Sto. P. O. NO. 4, 2405 R.C.N.R.  
He went on Active Service July 10  
1940 and was lost at sea  
in Aug. 1943.

Thank you.

Mrs Clara Myles,  
942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor.



DW

123-77-450

Nov. 25/43.

#1890 942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor,

Sec-NB-19-11

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Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter regarding the Memorial Cross, for S. P. O. Orville R. Myles, A2405, R.C.N.R. his mother and father are both dead.

Would your department send me word whether or not Mr Myles made a will upon entering the service, for use in my insurance claim?

Thanking you for your trouble,  
Sincerely

Mrs Clara Myles  
942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor.  
Ont.

MAIN FILE
CHARGED TO <i>Sec N B</i>
SINCE <i>19-11-47</i>
REC'D. CENTRAL REGISTRY
NOV 26 1947
REFERRED TO

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# DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE BOARD

## DECISION OF THE BOARD IN RESPECT OF THE APPLICATION FOR DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE SUBMITTED BY—

Official No. A-2405 Rank or Rating Stoker Petty Officer

MYLES Orville Ronald  
(Surname) (Christian names)

Military Unit.....

Air Force Establishment or Station.....

Naval Ship or Establishment.....

### DECISION OF THE BOARD

1. Casualty Presumed Dead Date Aug. 14/43 Authority Offi/c Naval Records  
Dependents' Allowance previously in pay for Wife & 4 children .....\$ 77.00P.C.L.B.  
Assigned Pay .....\$ 43.00

2. Effective September 1, 1943 vacate previous award and pay for a period of  
six months to Mrs. Clare H. Myles,  
942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor, Ontario.

A. A sum equal to Dependents' Allowance .....\$ 77.00P.C.L.B.  
and an assignment of 15 days' pay of rank.....\$ 35.00  
Total .....\$ 112.00 P.C.L.B.

- OR -

B. A sum equal to Pension Rates, which in this case are higher.....\$

3. At the expiration of this six months, if notification re Pension has not been received, pay at Pension Rates \$ 107.00 and continue until advice is received of Canadian Pension Commission's decision.
4. If and when Pension is granted, an amount equal to retroactive Pension only is to be recovered from the Canadian Pension Commission.
5. If a decision to grant Pension has been made before the allowance has been in effect for six months, the difference between the unpaid balance as provided in Paragraph 2 above and Pension for the same period is to be paid to the dependent in a lump sum.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
*[Handwritten Signature]*

(Chairman)

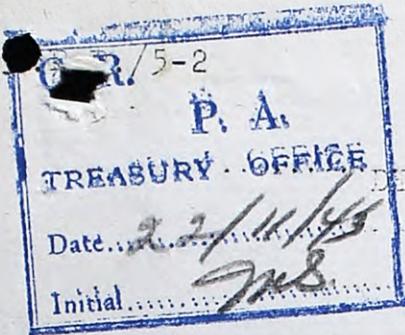
Reviewer I. Beck

(Member)

Date November 27, 1943

(Member)

*Noted - E. Hill*



FORM B

FILE: N.S. 123-M-450. PERS.(N)

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
- Naval Service -  
Ottawa, Canada.

18 November, 1943.  
(Date.)

Sir:

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME MYLES, Orville Ronald RANK or RATING Stoker Petty Officer NAVAL NO. A-2405, R.C.N.R.  
DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 14th June, 1940. Active Service: 8th August, 1940.  
DATE OF DISCHARGE - 14th August, 1943.

HOSPITAL -  
(If discharged in Hospital under jurisdiction of D.F. & M.E.)

SERVICE - Canada & High Seas  
(Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and the high seas or elsewhere.)

Reason for discharge and when and where any disability was incurred, or where death occurred. "Missing" Presumed Dead. Lost overboard during a heavy sea, from the ship in which he

was serving.

(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 Wife NAME Mrs. Clara Myles,

ADDRESS 942 Oak Avenue, WINDSOR, Ontario.

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.

FORM "A" RESPECTING THE ABOVE NAMED HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE, DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE, etc.

REMARKS: .....

THIS PORTION OF FORM COMPLETED BY CHIEF TREASURY OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE, NAVAL SERVICE.

<u>Names of Dependents</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Maiden name of wife</u>	<u>Date of marriage and/or date of birth of children</u>
Mrs. Clara H. Myles	Wife	-----	-----
Myles, Evelyn A.	Daughter	-----	December 7, 1930
Myles, Dorothy A.	Daughter	-----	May 19, 1932
Myles, Charles A.	Son	-----	March 10, 1936
Myles, Donna M.	Daughter	-----	August 4, 1937

	<u>D. A.</u>	<u>A. P.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Monthly Rate:	\$77.00	\$43.00	\$120.00
To whom Paid:	Mrs. Clara H. Myles		<u>ADDRESS</u>
Date of Enlistment:	See other side.		942 Oak Avenue, Windsor, Ontario.
Date of Discharge:	See other side.		
Inclusive date to which D.A. and/or A.P. was Paid:			

The final deduction of Assigned Pay for \$43.00 has been made for the period from 1st to 31st of August 194 3

Remarks:

Computed by.....  
 Checked by.....

for *Alec Boswell*  
 Chief Treasury Officer,  
 DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,  
 (Naval Service.)

The Secretary, The Canadian Pension Commission,  
 Room 228, Daly Building, OTTAWA, Ontario.

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

N. S. 123-M-450

"Pers (N)"

Rec. 26-10-43  
942 Oak Ave.,

Windsor  
Ont.

#4481

Nov. 1/43

Dear Sirs.-

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I have just been told that if I wished all of my late husband's (A 2405 S.P.O. Orville R. Myles) personal effects sent to me, it would be best to write to your department. I have been anxious about the return of his letters, some of which he had bundled ready to be sent, as he returned all of his mail, and some sea shells for the children as well as such things as his razor, writing kit and fountain pen & particularly his kodak.

If there are any of the badges and his service stripes we would be very proud to have them also.

I would appreciate the present  
addresses of several who served  
on the Corvette Calgary with Mr  
Myles, at the end of Sept. 1942.

Dan Burje. S.P.O.

Frank Nass or Naas, E.R.A.

A. E. Fitzsimmons C.P.O.

Thanking you,

Mrs Orville Myles  
942 Oak Ave  
Windsor, Ont.

MAIN FILE
CHARGED TO <i>Para</i>
PRICE <i>26-10-13</i>
FED. CENTRAL REGISTRY
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REFERRED TO <i>Para (31)</i>

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942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor, Ont.

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Dear Sir:

I am writing about my  
Dependent's Allowance cheque  
for September.

My husband, Stoker Petty Officer  
Orville H. Myles, No. A 2405 R.C.N.R.  
was lost overboard at sea, on  
Aug. 14/43, and I was informed  
at the Barracks, here, that my  
cheque would come as usual  
for at least three months.

The September one has not come  
and I would very much  
appreciate if you would let  
me know how long it will  
be delayed, as I have four  
children to play for.

I thank you,

Mrs Clara H. Myles

942 Oak Ave.,

Windsor,  
Ont.



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- Naval Service -

N.S.1079-4-222 VOL.1,  
123-M-450 PERS(N)

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24 September, 1943.

Dear Mrs. Myles:

Further to my letter of the 16th of August, 1943, a report of the unfortunate circumstances respecting the loss of your husband, Orville Ronald Myles, Stoker Petty Officer, Official Number A-2405, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, has now been received.

According to the information given in the report, late in the evening of the 14th of August, 1943, while the ship in which he was serving was on convoy escort duty, your husband was on deck chatting with another rating prior to going on Watch. He was standing near the Deckhouse when the ship gave a quick roll and at the same time a huge wave swept over the deck. It is believed that Stoker Petty Officer Myles was thrown against the Depth Charge Thrower, stunned and washed overboard by the force of the receding wave. One of the two other ratings on the deck at the time was badly shaken and when the ship righted itself managed to make his way back into the wardroom. The other rating, by grasping the lashings of the Depth Charge Thrower, was able to keep from being washed overboard. As soon as your husband's absence was noticed, an extensive search was immediately conducted but all efforts to locate him proved unavailing.

It was found that prompt and efficient action was taken by all the ship's company concerned to recover your husband and that adequate precautions were taken on board to ensure safety of life.

The Department is in agreement with the findings of the Board of Inquiry that Stoker Petty Officer Myles was accidentally lost overboard in the performance of his duty.

As you have been previously informed, while no hope can be given for your husband's survival, the Canadian Naval authorities are unable to make an official presumption of death until a period of not less than three months has elapsed from the time of the accident. When such an official presumption of death has been made, you will be informed immediately.

May I again express the sincere sympathy of the Department in your sad loss.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Despatched by  
Sec. N. B.

*W. W. W.*  
Date 29.9.43  
Time 1800

Mrs. Clara Myles,  
942 Oak Ave.,  
WINDSOR, Ont.

SEP 28 A.M.

APR  
*[Handwritten initials]*

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- Naval Service -

REGISTERED

AIR MAIL

N.S. 123-M-450 PERS(N)

16 August, 1943.

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Dear Mrs. Myles:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 16th of August, 1943, from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services informing you that your husband, Orville Ronald Myles, Stoker Petty Officer, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, Official Number A-2405, is missing on active service.

According to the report received, your husband was lost overboard during a heavy sea, from the ship in which he was serving, at 11:51 o'clock in the evening of the 14th of August, 1943. An extensive search was conducted immediately in the vicinity but all efforts to rescue him were unsuccessful. No further details are available but immediately additional information has been received, you will be informed.

While your husband is listed as missing and virtually no hope can be held out for his having survived, the Canadian Naval authorities are unable to make an official presumption of death until a period of not less than three months has elapsed from the time of the accident. At that time, if your husband's body has not been recovered, it is probable that approval will be given to presume his death as having occurred on the 14th of August, 1943, and you will be so informed.

Please allow me to express the sincere sympathy of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, the Chief of the Naval Staff, and the Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy, the high traditions of which your husband has helped to maintain.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Clara H. Myles,  
942 Oak Ave.,  
WINDSOR, Ont.

Despatched by  
Sec. N. B.

Date 17/8/43  
Time 1511

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DEPUTY SECRETARY PERSONNEL

H.B. Money  
NAVAL PERSONNEL RECORD

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N.S. 123-M-450.PERS.(N)

C. 1079 - 4 - 222 "1"

18th November, 1943.

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Dear Mrs. Myles:

Further to my letter of the 4th of November, 1943, I am directed to inform you that in view of the time that has elapsed since the accident, there is no possibility of your husband's survival and the approval of the Canadian Naval Authorities has now been given to presume his death as having occurred on the 14th of August, 1943.

A Silver Memorial Cross, as a memento of your personal loss and sacrifice, is now in the hands of the engravers and will be forwarded to you in due course. In this connection it would be appreciated if you would forward the name and address, if known, of your mother-in-law in order that a similar cross may be forwarded to her. A self-addressed envelope is attached for your convenience.

May I again express the sincere sympathy of the Department in your bereavement.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Clara Myles,  
942 Oak Avenue,  
WINDSOR, Ontario.

Despatched by  
Sec. N. B.

Date 20/11/43  
Time 1000

enc. (1)

HBM

PERSONNEL

OTTAWA, Ont., 13 December, 3.

N.S. 123-M-450 PERS. (N)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Orville Ronald Myles, Stoker Petty Officer, Official Number A-2405, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, is missing, presumed dead to date the 14th of August, 1943. He was washed overboard from the ship in which he was serving, during a heavy sea.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
*[Handwritten initials]*

NAVAL PERSONNEL RECORDS  
*[Handwritten signature]*

MEMORANDUM:

The enrolment of the undermentioned  
ratings in the Division, R.C.N.V.R.,  
is approved:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RATING</u>	<u>O.N.</u>	<u>DATE</u>
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BY ORDER,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

The Commanding Officer,  
H.M.C.S. " " ,

Jan 11/43.

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Dear Sir:

Today I received papers from the Naval Service No. N.S. 47-2-2-Vol. 6, respecting the Marriage Allowance, and as I am not sure of the rank or rating of my husband I am writing for further information.

His year as Acting Stoker Petty Officer was up in Nov. 1942, and as he is now S.P.O., does he come under the heading of Warrant Officer or still as a rating?

We have four children.

Orville R. Myles

A 2405 (formerly U-19045).

Thanking you for your trouble I am

Mrs Clara H. Myles

942 Oak Ave.,

Windsor, Ont.,

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JUL 27 1942  
N.S. 123-M-750  
CANADA

Distribution.—Original N.S.H.Q.: Duplicate Ledger enclosure: Triplicate file in Accounting Establishment.

Number A-2405

(a) Ship CALGARY ✓ NAME OF RATING  
List and No. 12-1/13 ✓ Rating A/S.P.O. ✓ 25  
Surname MYLES  
Christian Name Orville ✓  
Daily Rate of Pay \$2.65 ✓  
Date of A/S: 30th July '40. ✓

PARTICULARS OF ALLOTTEE  
Whether Wife or Guardian Wife ✓ Name of Wife or Guardian in Full Clare Address of Wife or Guardian in Full 942 Oak Ave., Windsor Ave., Ont.  
Date of Marriage: 1st Mch. '30. ✓

PARTICULARS OF ALLOTMENT  
(b) Rate per month of present allotment in favour of wife or guardian. \$ 94.00 ✓ Rate per month of allotment taking into consideration increased marriage allowance. \$ 116.00 ✓ To be increased at H.Q. from \* June 1942

PARTICULARS OF CHILDREN  
Names of children: Evelyn ✓, Dorethy ✓, Charles ✓, Donna ✓ Ages of children last birthday: 12 years ✓, 10 " ✓, 6 " ✓, 4 " ✓

I have read the notations overleaf and increased my allotment as indicated.

*Orville P. Myles*  
Signature of rating (Allotter)

(c) FOR USE IN ACCOUNTING ESTABLISHMENT. ✓  
M.A. increased from \$ 1.75 to \$ 2.45 from 1st April 1942.  
Allotment of \$ 94.00 increased to \$ 116.00 effective \* June \* 1942  
(to reach Headquarters by the 15th of the month effective.)

Allotment arrears amounting to \$ 42.70 have been charged in the ledger in GREEN INK, List 12-1 No. 13 and paid through H.M.C.S. Stadacona Cash Account Month of June 1942 Vr. No. 2167  
Marriage allowance increase has been credited in the ledger and has been allotted to wife or guardian as indicated hereon.

Fair Ledger Stadacona Rough Ledger \_\_\_\_\_  
H.M.C.S. STADACONA \_\_\_\_\_ 1942  
Accountant Officer.

(d) FOR USE AT NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS Allotment Section.

Allotment Declarations	Initials	Date
Ent'd. on Index Card	<i>OM</i>	24/7/42
Ent'd. on Allotment Ledgers	<i>OM</i>	1/6/42

TO BE COMPILED BY THE RATING CONCERNED

NEW RATES OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE AND LODGING AND COMPENSATION FOR RATINGS  
EFFECTIVE 1 APRIL, 1942. FOR DURATION OF HOSTILITIES

All ratings are to be placed on new rates of M.A. as follows:—

Marriage Allowance				
Wife only \$1.15	Wife and one child \$1.55	Wife and two children \$1.95	Wife and three children \$2.25	Wife and four children \$2.45
Motherless Children ....	One child 75c	Two children \$1.30	Three children \$1.65	Four children \$1.95

Lodging and Compensation

All ratings entered prior to 1st June, 1942 are entitled to \$1.45 per diem L & C when entitled.

All ratings entered on or after 1st June, 1942 are to be paid \$1.25 per diem L & C when entitled.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTEEN \*\* 1 1 6 . 0 0  
V-19045  
MILES, ORVILLE R.  
MRS. CLARA H. MILES,  
942 OAK AVE.,  
WINDSOR, ONT.  
B.H. 24/6/42

I hereby agree to serve for the duration of hostilities. P054569

Signature of Applicant.....

*Dwight R. Myles*

Witnessed by.....

*H. Marshall*

LIEUT. R.C.N.-V.R.

Commanding Officer

Dated at Windsor, Ontario,

*June 14th 1940*

AUG 19 1940

123-M-450

CANADA

ORIGINAL

JUL 29 1940 P046777  
 N.S. 113-M/113  
 CANADA H.Q. File No.

# DECLARATION OF ALLOTMENT

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List and Number in Ledger	ALLOTOR	Rank or Rating	Official No.	Daily Rate of Pay
STADACONA. 5 A2 803 ✓	Surname Myles, <i>326 019</i> Christian Names Orville R.	Sto.1 ✓	N.K. V19045	\$2.00 ✓ \$1.75 ✓

## 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 Myles, Christian Names Mrs Clara H.	wife	942 Oak. St Ave. Windsor, Ont.	\$94.00 ✓	August.

## 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):—
	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(-2deg);">                     Allotment Declared Nil.                      Ent'd. on Index Card                      Ent'd. on Allotment Ledgers                 </div>		Initials Date <i>W.M.</i> 8/18/40

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.

Allottor's Signature authorizing charges. *Orville R. Myles*  
 Stoker.1 Rank or Rating

ENTERED IN FAIR LEDGER	ENTERED IN ROUGH LEDGER
<i>M</i>	<i>W.C.</i>

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:—

C. R.  
 P. A.  
 FIN. SUPT. BRANCH  
 DATE .. 8/18/40 ..  
 INITIAL .. *W.M.* ..

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

*B.M. Hatfield*  
 PAY. S. LIEUTENANT R.C.N.V.R.  
 FOR Accountant Officer

H.M.C.S. STADACONA.

Forwarded..... *26/7/40*

Assigned Pay to Wives	Object No. 111 \$ 30.00
Assigned Pay to other Dependents	113 .. ..
Marriage Allowance	116 54.25
Dependents Allowance	119 .. ..
Other Allotments	122 8.75
Total	\$ 94.00

NOT MORE THAN ONE MONTHLY ALLOTMENT SHOULD BE DEALT WITH ON THIS SHEET  
 FOR USE AT HEADQUARTERS ONLY

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

MAIN FILE
CHARGED TO
SINCE
REC'D. CENTRAL REGISTRY
JUL 29 1940
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N.S. 815-9-2041

No. 855 PL.

NATIONAL DEFENCE

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CANADA

ORIGINAL

Number.....

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# APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE

List and Number in Ledger	NAME	Rank or Rating	Official No.	Daily Rate of Pay
STADACONA. 5 A2 803 ✓	Surname..... Myles.	Sto.1 ✓	N V19045.	\$2.00 ✓
	Christian Names..... Orville R.			

NAME OF WIFE OR GUARDIAN	ADDRESS
Surname..... Myles, Christian Names..... Mrs Clara H.	942 Oak Ave. Windsor, Ont. ✓ DC

CHILD OR CHILDREN			
Name	Sex	Date of Birth	Initials Date
(1) Evelyn A.	Female	7 Dec. 1930	us 7/8/40
(2) Dorothy A.	Female	19 May 1932	us 9/8/40
(3) Charles A.	Male	10 Mar. 1936	us 8/8/40
(4) Donna M.	Female	4 Aug. 1937	us 8/8/40

I do hereby solemnly declare that the above particulars are correct.

Signed in the presence of:

*P. Clayton*  
Writer.

Signature..... *Orville R. Myles*  
Rank or Rating..... Stoker.1

Marriage Allowance in force per diem.....

Marriage Allowance claimed per diem..... 1.75

Claim has been supported with the necessary documentary evidence and the above amount has been approved for payment.

*Y.M.*  
*8/10/40*  
*R. Myles*  
*F. M.*  
 COMMANDER R.C.N.  
 Commanding Officer.

This amount per day has been credited from 10 July. 1940 to 19.....

at List 5 A2 No. 803 Ledger ending 30 Sept. 1940 to 19.....

Allotment of \$ 94.00 in force from the month of August, 19 in accordance with regulations. Allot. of \$61. paid thru Stadacona C.A. in order to qualify for M.A. from 10 July. Pay. S. Lieutenant R.C.N.V.R. for Accountant Officer.

THE NAVAL SECRETARY,  
Department of National Defence,  
Ottawa.

H. M. C. S. STADACONA.

Forwarded 29/9/40

Transfer not Received.

NOTE

- (1) All applications for Marriage Allowance must be supported by Certificate of Marriage, Birth Certificates in the case of children, or other unimpeachable evidences as to marriage, birth or guardianship.
- (2) The Allotment should be equivalent to the nearest dollar of 15 days' pay of rank or rating, and the Marriage Allowance based on a thirty day month.

FOR USE AT HEADQUARTERS ONLY	INITIALS	DATE
Application received.....		
Entered in Birth Record Ledger.....		
Entered on M/A Card.....		
Entered in Allotment Ledger.....		

Handwritten initials in blue ink.

## MEMORANDUM FOR

P. 64

Mrs. Clara Myles,  
 942 Oak Avenue,  
 WINDSOR, Ontario.

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. 123-M-450 FD 221

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
 ESTATES BRANCH  
 OTTAWA, ONT.



November 22nd, 1943

For the purpose of record and in the event of there being any Service estate  
 available for distribution (according to law) on account of the late

MYLES, Orville Ronald, Sto. P.O.,

No. A-2405, R.C.N.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 com-  
 plete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.

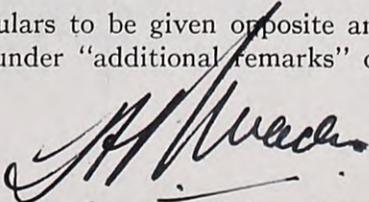
A deceased's Service estate, the administration of which is the responsibility of  
 the Estates Branch, consists of any balance of pay and allowances at credit, cash on  
 hand and the personal effects which are under the control of the Service authorities.  
 To obtain such assets, it is not necessary for the person(s) legally entitled thereto to  
 obtain through the Courts Probate of the Will, or if none, Letters of Administration  
 of his estate.

In addition to the administration of those Service assets, the Administrator of  
 Estates is authorized to withdraw into Government account any funds (within a  
 defined amount) on deposit to the deceased's credit in Banks, Post Offices or other  
 financial institutions in Canada and Overseas, without expense or trouble to the  
 person(s) legally entitled to the estate, and to distribute such funds at the same time  
 as any balance of pay is distributed. Also, War Savings Certificates and Victory  
 Loan Bonds owned by the deceased may be redeemed and similarly distributed, or  
 transmitted into the name(s) of the person(s) legally entitled. Such Certificates and  
 Bonds should not be forwarded to the Administrator of Estates until they are requested.

If there are other assets which necessitate an application for Probate or Letters  
 of Administration, the Administrator of Estates may transfer and hand over the  
 Service assets to the executor or administrator appointed by the Court so that all  
 the estate, Service and otherwise, may be dealt with as a whole.

The information given by you on Pages 2 and 3 of this form is therefore of import-  
 ance in determining whether or not the deceased's assets are such that they may all  
 be administered by the Administrator of Estates to the person(s) legally entitled,  
 that is, without the need for Probate or Administration.

If there is insufficient space for complete particulars to be given opposite any  
 question on Pages 2 and 3 of this form, the space under "additional remarks" on  
 page 4 should be used.

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

HRW:JAB

## 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 specified	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.....	Clara Harriett Myles	36	942 Oak Ave Windsor, Ont.
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....	Evelyn Amy, Dec 7-1930	12	942 Oak Ave., Windsor
		Dorothy Anne, May 19-1932	11	942 Oak Ave., Windsor
		Charles Alfred, March 10-1936	7	942 Oak Ave., Windsor
		Donna Mae - Aug 4-1937	6	942 Oak Ave. Windsor
3	Father of the Deceased.....	William W. Myles		Died June 7-1942
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	Amy Alice Myles		Died Feb 8-1927
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Howard	36	Essex, Ontario.
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Mrs Edith Bennett	58	1949 Central Ave. Windsor, Ont.
		Mrs Ethel Jacob	56	524 Pitt St. West, apt. 406 Windsor, Ont.
		Mrs Edna Gormley	53	Essex, Ont
		Mrs Esther Rhoads	48	Cottam, Ont.
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.			
		Oliver 15 Sept 1917		
		Names and ages of their children (if any)		Address of their children

## ANSWER FULLY EACH QUESTION ON THIS PAGE

## PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

8	Full names of the deceased	<i>Arville Ronald Myles</i>
9	Date of his birth	<i>October 4 - 1904</i>
10	Place and date of his marriage.	<i>Windsor, Ont. March 1 - 1930.</i>
11	Place and date of his parents' marriage.	<i>Dec. 1883, place unknown</i>

## PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

12	Place where deceased was born.	<i>Woodlee, Ontario.</i>
13	State, in order, the Province, State and/or Country in which he resided before enlistment and the period of time in each.	(a) <i>Ontario</i> (b) <i>Canada</i> (c) (d)
14	Nature of employment before enlistment.	<i>Engineer &amp; Salesman for dairy.</i>
15	State whether he owned the premises in which he lived and, if so, where situated.	<i>Joint Owner with wife. 942 Oak Ave., Windsor, Ontario.</i>
16	Name place where deceased stated he intended to make his permanent home.	<i>Windsor, Ontario.</i>

## PARTICULARS OF ESTATE

17	Did he leave a Will?	<i>Not as known.</i>
18	If married, and domiciled in the Province of Quebec or in a State in the U.S.A. or in a Country under the laws of which there is community of property between spouses, — was there a marriage contract dealing with property?	
19	Did he have a Bank, Post Office or other deposit account? If so, give name and address of bank, etc. and the amount on deposit.	<i>No.</i>
20	Amount of War Savings Certificates held by deceased.	<i>✓</i>
21	Amount of Victory Loan Bonds held by deceased.	<i>✓</i>
22	If deceased had life insurance, name companies and amount payable under each policy and the person named as beneficiary there. Describe other assets, if any, and estimated value thereof.	<i>One policy in Metropolitan Life for \$952 - Beneficiary - wife (Clara H. Myles)</i>
23	Is application for Probate or Letters of Administration necessary (see page 1)?	<i>No</i>

## OTHER PARTICULARS

24	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.	<i>✓</i>
25	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 or elsewhere in the North American zone, 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.)

DECLARATION

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

I hereby declare that all the particulars shown on this form are correct, and a true and complete statement of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in the degrees specified; and that I am the

\* Widow of the deceased.

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

Mrs Clara Myles {Signature of Informant  
942 Oak ave. Windsor Address

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Mrs Clara Myles

\*See above.

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

Dated at Windsor, Ont. this 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 1943.

Signature of Clergyman, Priest, Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public

John W Howes

Qualification

Clergyman

Address 1071 London St, West Windsor, Ont.

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 specified is stated in its proper place in the Statement opposite.

(If the deceased has no living relatives of the degrees shown on page 2, the names and addresses and relationship of other relatives should be set out below.)

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

From: Commanding Officer, H.M.C.S. "Goderich"  
To: Captain "D" Halifax, H.M.C. Dockyard, Halifax.  
Date: August 15th, 1943.

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SUBJECT: Loss at Sea of S.P.O. Nyles, Arnold Orville, A2435  
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Submitted:

At time of accident, ship was on a course 338° approximately 1 mile from Sambre Light Vessel. The sea (33) was on Port quarter and ship was rolling at times up to 30 degrees. Wind was force 6 at 2300 and decreasing.

Events leading to S.P.O. Nyles being lost overboard.

At approximately 2345, Aug. 14th., this rating had come up from the Petty Officers Mess, preparatory to taking the middle watch in No. 2 Boiler Room. He places his 2 Lifebelts (May vest and Vest types) cap and gloves in the P.O.'s wash place, and went out on deck for a breath of air, before going on watch.

At approximately 2349, Steward Marshall Bayers, V.3731B relieving after lookout for After Gun platform, went on deck, to view the weather previous to taking his watch. He saw S.P.O. Nyles standing at the after end of the Deckhouse on the Starboard side. They chatted there for about 3 minutes, when the ship gave a quick roll to Starboard and Bayers brought up against the rail and at the same time a large sea came aboard at the break of the Forecastle and swept aft and carried Bayers forceably against the Starboard Depth Charge Thrower. A/B Gerald Begin, V.43057, Depth Charge sentry was near the Starboard thrower when the ship rolled. As the sea swept aboard, Begin grasped the Depth Charge Thrower harbour lashings. When the ship righted itself, Bayers scrambled into the Wardroom lobby and Begin, after missing both men, was informed by the After lookout, that Bayers had gone into the Wardroom lobby. Begin ran in, and at that point, Nyles was noticed to be missing. The Bridge was then informed. Course was immediately altered and the search, which lasted for 8½ hours, commenced.

It was the ships Standing Orders to wear lifebelts at all times at sea, and several notices had been published by the First Lieutenant, warning of the importance of wearing of lifebelts. There was no Life Preserver thrown over, as approximately 2 minutes had elapsed before S.P.O. Nyles was noticed to be missing. Speed of ship, about 9½ knots.

*J. Pratt*  
.....  
Commanding Officer,  
H.M.C.S. "Goderich"

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

## REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. GODERICH at HALIFAX, N.S.

Name Stoker Petty Officer  
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating MYLES Orville Ronald Official No. A2405  
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth South Woodslee, Essex Date of Birth October 4th, 1904  
Cty. Ontario

Occupation in Civil Life Fireman & Oiler 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) RCNR 3 Yrs Service--from Aug. 8th, 1940

Date of Death August 14th, 1943 Place of Death Halifax approaches

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

During Heavy Weather.

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Clara Myles Relationship wife  
Address 942 Oak Ave.,  
Windsor, Ontario.,

Date on which the above was informed by Ship See Capt. D's 151530z to NSHQ.

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..... 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.....

*J. P. H. L. R. C. W. D.*  
Commanding Officer,  
August 15, 1943

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.

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