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N.S. 123-0494
CANADA**ATTESTATION FORM****FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE**

SURNAME.....CROFT.....OFFICIAL No. A 4958

CHRISTIAN NAMES.....Moyle Haliburton.....MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER.....Married

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
First South, Lun. Co., N.S.		United Church.
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3rd July, 1912	Town First South County Lunenburg Province N.S.	Mrs. Rosaline Croft, (mWife) First South, Lun. Co., N.S.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet.....6.....	Inflated.....34.....	Blond	Blue	Fair	Nil.
Inches.....158.....	Deflated.....34½.....				
	Mean.....34.....				
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY			
28th August, 1941.	Able Seaman (temp)	Farmer, fisherman.			

(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.

Personnel Records	
1. Noted in Records	<i>Yes</i>
2. Index Card	<i>Yes</i>
3. Non-Sub. Card	
4. Statistical Card	<i>Yes</i>
5. Roneo Strip	
6. Pension Card	
7.	
8.	
DATE	12/9/41

(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~~ Nil..... for the period shown.

Served in	Rank	From	To
Nil.....		

(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 28th day of August, 1941.

Moyle H. Croft
(Signature of Applicant)

(C) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Signature of Applicant: *Moyle H. Croft*
Witness: *H. Plummer*

Date: 28th August, 1941 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 28th day of August, 1941.

H. Plummer
(Signature of Officer and rank)
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

NOTE.—When this form has been completed it is to be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody

DURATION OF HOSTILITIES

RCNR

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.

~~Basic Copy of the~~
CERTIFICATE of the Service of
 Moyle Haliburton C R O F T
 in the Naval Service of Canada *C.N.S. 30942.*

PORT DIVISION HALIFAX OFFICIAL NUMBER A-4958

Date of birth..... 3rd July 1912.
 Where born { Town..... First South,
 County and province..... Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia.
 Usual place of residence..... First South, Lunen. Co., NS.
 Trade brought up to..... Farmer, fisherman.
 Religious denomination..... United Church.
 Next of kin..... Roweline (wife) same address
 Can swim..... 5/12/41
 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>28 Aug. 41</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>21 Nov '43</u>	<u>Lieuten for 1939-43 Star</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>6</u>		<u>Fair</u>	<u>Blond</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>NIL....</u>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....						
Further description if necessary.....						

Name *Moyle Haliburton CROFT*

SHIP'S NAME	LIST AND No.	RATING	FROM	TO	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE
<i>Stadacona</i>		<i>Able Seaman</i>	<i>28 Aug '41</i>	<i>7 Sep '41</i>	
<i>S.S. Georgian</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>8 Sep '41</i>	<i>7 Sep 41</i>	
<i>Avalon</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>8 Sep 41</i>	<i>3 Jan 42</i>	
<i>Merida</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>24 Jan 42</i>	<i>25 Jan 42</i>	
<i>Avalon</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>26 Jan 42</i>	<i>5 Sep 42</i>	
<i>Stadacona</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>6 Sep 42</i>	<i>27 Oct 42</i>	
<i>Niobe</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>28 Oct 42</i>	<i>3 Feb '43</i>	
<i>Niobe (Ahabaskan)</i>		<i>— " —</i>	<i>4 Feb '43</i>	<i>29 Apr 44</i>	<p><i>Reported missing 20132 Dept of Plymouth Sea 3014198 Apr 44</i></p> <p><i>Presumed Dead CNMO's Log 132109 Jan 1945</i></p>

DATE	Wounds received in Action and Hurt Certificate; also any Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prize or other Grants	CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE
<i>13-3-42</i>	<i>Awarded J.C. Tw. # 64646.</i>	

A 4958

OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

A-4958

NAME

CROFT

Moyle Haliburton

DATE OF BIRTH

PLACE OF BIRTH

First South, Lunenburg Co., N.S.

OCCUPATION

Farmer Fisherman.

RELIGION

United Church

EDUCATION

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

Town

First South, Lun. Co., Province, etc. N.S.

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
28	8	41	Hostilities Only	6'0"	Blonde	Blue	Fair	Nil	Nil			

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

Wife

NAME (in pencil)

Mrs Rosaleen Croft

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Town

Rose Bay, Lun. Co.

Province, etc.

N.S.

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	
21	11	43	Awarded 1939-43 Star								

BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.

BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES

Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year		

FILM
NO. 65 R-4656-2
DATE

Date (in figures)

DAYS FORFEITED

O.H.F. Received

Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.
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SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To

W.S.G.
APPLICATION
10543
RECEIVED
7/6/45

A 4958 OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME CROFT
(Surname)

Moyle Haliburton P.I.B.
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER A 4958

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	Able Smn.	28	8	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	41							
S.S. Georgina	"	8	9	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42							
Avalon	"	8	9	41		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	43							
Marvida	"	4	1	42		V.G.	Sat.	29	4	44							
Avalon	"	26	1	42													
Stadacona	"	6	9	42													
Niobe	"	28	10	42													
Niobe (Athabaskan)	"	4	2	43													
DISCHARGED	"	29	4	44	"Missing" after sinking of HMCS "Athabaskan" Presumed "Dead" 29.4.44 (Casualty List) Casualty List. S.C.												

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross forwarded
31.1.45 to Wife: Mrs Rosalean Croft
Rose Bay, Lunenburg Co., N.S.

the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin,

according to Nationality.....

If applicable

Place of Burial..... **No Burial** Date of Burial.....

Location, Number, etc., of grave.....

Undertaker employed.....

ENTERED IN
D.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK
JAN 19 1945
CLERK No. 1
nms

H.B. Money
.....
(Commanding Officer)
for SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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

Date **OTTAWA, Ont. 12 January, 1945**
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In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

Distribution: File, Imp. W. G. Com., Dom. Stat., Register, Sec. C.P.C., Dir. of Records.

C.N.S. 1121
10M-6-44 (774)
N.S. 7570-S-1121

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27 November, 1944.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 13th of November, 1944, it is the practice of the Department to initially inform only the nearest next of kin of a casualty as nominated by the rating unless a request is made that other members of the family be informed. As Moyle Haliburton Croft, Able Seaman, Official Number A-4958, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, declared his wife, Mrs. Rosalean Croft, Rose Bay, Lunenburg County, N.S., as next of kin and there was no record in the Department of his parents, his wife was informed by telegram and registered Air Mail letter on the 5th of May, 1944.

Able Seaman Croft is missing since H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action on the 29th of April, 1944, in the English Channel. No information has since been received of his survival or that he is a prisoner of war.

Eighty-five men, which is the number the Germans claimed to have captured, are known to have been taken prisoners of war from this ship. This list was compiled from names officially communicated by the German Government and from "capture cards" and letters forwarded to the next of kin by prisoners of war in German camps. Five of these prisoners, one Officer and four ratings, were returned to the United Kingdom.

Ten officers and one hundred and fifteen ratings are still missing from H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN" and I regret to inform you that slight hope is now held for the survival of Able Seaman Croft and the others listed as missing.

Should no information be received to the contrary, the Canadian Naval Authorities will officially presume his death at a later date. There is no minimum or maximum time that personnel may be listed as missing, each case being judged individually. Due to the circumstances surrounding the loss of H.M.C.S. "ATHABASKAN", it is not known at this time when an official presumption of death will be made.


Yours very truly,



(W.C. Mills),
Deputy Minister.

SEEN BY
MINISTER.
4/12/44

Mr. W. P. Potter, K.C.,
Barrister & Solicitor,
Powers Building,
Lincoln Street,
LUNENBURG, N.S.


Deputy Secretary,
Naval Board.


C.H.

D OF D 29-4-44

(NAVY)

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P DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AWARDS WAR SERVICE RECORDS

CROFT Moyle Haliburton	A-4958	A.B.	FILE No.
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SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT
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WAR SERVICE
BADGE
(CLASS) No. DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star,	1355
Atlantic Star,	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp,	
War Medal.	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCNR May 46 "ATHABASKAN"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) <u>MEDALS</u> <u>PERSON</u> ENTITLED TO Mrs. Rosalean Knickle - Widow Feltz on South, ADDRESS: LUNENBURG COUNTY, N.S.
(2) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> WIDOW Mrs. R. Croft ADDRESS: Rose Bay, Lunenburg Co., N.S.
(3) <u>MEMORIAL CROSS</u> MOTHER ADDRESS:

4-5-49

MEMORIAL BAR
(1) DATE DESP.....
REGN. NO. 608

(2) 31-1-45
(3)