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**ATTESTATION FORM**

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

SURNAME..... **GALLAGHER** ..... OFFICIAL No. **A 5312**

CHRISTIAN NAMES..... **GERALD JAMES** ..... MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER **SINGLE**.

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
<b>University Ave., Cobourg, Ont.</b>	<b>R.C.</b>

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<b>19 August 1913</b>	<b>Town Cobourg, County Northumberland, Province Ontario.</b>	<b>Aunt, Mrs. Mary Gallagher, same address.</b>

**PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT**

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COM- PLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet..... <b>5</b>	Inflated..... <b>43½</b>	<b>light brown</b>	<b>blue</b>	<b>fair</b>	<b>scar on chin</b>
Inches... <b>5</b>	Deflated..... <b>41½</b>				
.....	Mean..... <b>42½</b>				

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING ENROLLING FOR	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<b>Active Service 30 Jan. 1942</b>	<b>Able Smn.</b>	<b>Wheelsman, Upper Lakes &amp; St. Lawrence Transportation Co.,, Queen's Quay, Toronto, Ont.</b>

**(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.

Seaman's Records  
Division.  
1. Enrolment Card..... U.B.  
2. Index Card..... U.B.  
3. Medical Card.....  
4. Staff List Card..... E.M.  
5. Progress Card..... U.B.  
6. Discharge Card.....  
7. ...  
8. ...  
DATE **6-2-42**

(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 ~~XX~~ for the period shown.

Served in	Rank	From	To
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(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 30 day of Jan. 1942.

*Gerald Gallagher*  
(Signature of Applicant)

(C) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Gerald James GALLAGHER do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty. **HIS HEIRS AND SUCCESSORS**

Signature of Applicant *Gerald Gallagher* ACCORDING TO LAW.

Witness *G. W. Skerrett*

Date 30 Jan. 1942. 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 30 day of Jan. 1942.

*G. W. Skerrett*  
(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. This is to acknowledge that I have not been induced to

enter the Branch of the Naval Service by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to another Branch.

*Gerald Gallagher*  
Signature

If a copy of this Form is required, Form C.N.S. 1243 is to be used

O.H.F.

CERTIFICATE of the Service of

Gerald James GALLAGHER

IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN ~~NAVY~~ NAVAL RESERVE

The corner of this Certificate is to be cut off if the man is discharged with a "Bad" character or with disgrace, or if specially directed by the Department of National Defence (Naval Service). If the corner is cut off, the fact is to be noted in the Ledger.

Esquimaux

I.C.N.S. - 49533  
Official Number A-5312

Date of birth 19th Aug. 1913

Where born { Province Ont.  
Town or county Cobourg

Trade brought up to Wheelman

Religious denomination Roman Catholic

Date passed swimming test \_\_\_\_\_

Man's signature on discharge to pension \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil)  
Name: Mrs. Mary Gallagher  
Relationship: Aunt  
Address: University Ave. Cobourg, Ont.

All Engagements, including N.C.S., to be noted in these Columns

Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for	Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for
1.	<u>30 Jan '42</u>	<u>Host.</u>	5.		
2.			6.		
3.			7.		
4.			8.		

Medals, Clasps, Etc.

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Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration	Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration
<u>Received 3 Feb 44</u>	<u>Canadian Volunteer Service medal + clasp Provincial Award</u>		
<u>Received 3 Feb 44</u>	<u>1939-43 Star Provincial Award</u>		

Description of Person	Stature		Chest, In.	Colour of			Marks, Wounds and Scars
	Feet	In.		Hair	Eyes	Complexion	
On entry as a boy.....	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>42 1/2</u>	<u>Light Brown</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Scar on chin</u>
On advancement to man's rating or on entry under 28 years.....							
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary....							

C.N.S. 459  
15M-7-40 (5924)  
N.S. 815-9-459

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OFFICIAL NUMBER

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NAME GALLAGHER, Gerald James (Surname) (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 19 August, 1913.

PLACE OF BIRTH Cobourg, Northumberland, Ontario. OCCUPATION Wheelsman, Upper Lakes & St. Lawrence Trans. Co., Queen's Quay,

RELIGION Roman Catholic. EDUCATION Toronto, Ontario.

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. University Avenue, Town Cobourg, 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
30	1	42	5'5"	Lt. Brn.	Blue	Fair	Scar on chin.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Wife NAME (in pencil) Mrs. Mary M. Gallagher

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. University Avenue Town Cobourg Province, etc. Ontario

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY			EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.						
Date (in figures)			Date (in figures)			Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	
3	2	44	2	3	43				Passed Prof. for Ldg. Smn.
3	2	44	29	5	43				Qual. Anti-Gas 1 day (2nd issue)
			5	5	42				Qual. A/G 2 days.
			5	5	43				

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		
					Alberni	7	5	11	43	Did Negligently perform the duties imposed upon him. (249A # 14968)	Disrated to A.B.

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NO. WSR 4581-8-  
DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED						O.H.F. Received.	Last Will & Testament Dated--13-1-42--Received.	
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.			

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From

To

W.S.G.  
APPLICATION  
RECEIVED  
8/6/45





( Information extracted from Naval Service Headquarters' Records.)

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

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H.M.C.S. NAVAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS at OTTAWA, Ont.

Name GALLAGHER Gerald James  
(Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating Leading Seaman Official No. A-5912 R.C.N.R.  
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Cobourg, Ontario. Date of Birth 19th August, 1913

Occupation in Civil Life Ensign Religion Roman Catholic

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) 1 year and 7 months

Date of Death 21 August, 1944 Place of Death AT SEA

Cause of Death Missing, presumed killed when the ship in which he was serving  
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

H.M.C.S. "ALBATROSS" was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

Nearest known relative or friend. { Name Mrs. Mary Gallagher Relationship Aunt  
Address University Ave., COBBOURG, Ont.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship Naval Service Headquarters 23rd Aug. 1944

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 No burial Date of Burial.....  
(if known) (if known)

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

Undertaker employed.....  
(if any)

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

ENTERED IN  
D.N.P.A.'s LOG BOOK  
MAR 7 1945  
CLTK No. 1

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

Commanding Officer,  
OTTAWA, Ont. 28 February 1945

H.B. Money  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

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"AIR MAIL"

LETTER dispatched by  
PERSONNEL NAVAL  
AUG 30 1944

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A-5312 PERS. (N).

28th August, 1944.

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Dear Mrs. Gallagher:-

Further to my letter of the 23rd August, details of the disaster in which your nephew has been reported missing are now being released.

H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI" was sunk while on invasion duties in the English Channel. Four officers and fifty-five ratings are missing, with three officers and twenty-eight ratings having survived.

It is regretted that the position of the loss cannot be given, but it is considered unlikely that prisoners of war will be taken.

It is requested that you will keep this information in confidence until an official announcement is made.

May I again express sincere sympathy with you in your anxiety.

Yours sincerely,

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Mrs. Mary Gallagher,  
University Avenue,  
COBOURG, Ontario.

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P.A.'S CHECKED IN

C.R. BY *M*

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N.S. A-5312 PERS. (N)

3 February, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Gerald James Gallagher, Leading Seaman, Official Number A-5312, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, is missing, presumed killed on the 21st of August, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "ALBERNI", was lost in the English Channel due to enemy action.

  
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD. *e.*

  
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RCNR Mar. 46 "ALBERNI"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON  
ENTITLED TO Miss Catherine Gallagher - Sister

FENELON FALLS, Ont

ADDRESS:

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS  
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS  
MOTHER

ADDRESS:

MEMORIAL BAR

(1)

DATE DESP.....

REGN. NO. 1864

(2)

(3)

DECEASED 21 August 1944

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### AWARDS

**NAVY**

D.D.  
WAR SERVICE RECORDS

GALLAGHER	Gerald James	A-5312	L/Smn.	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:

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CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	<p>SENT ENVOYE MAR 15 1988</p> <p>1281</p> <p>5/10/49</p> <p><b>287646</b></p>
Fr. Ger. Star & Clasp	
Pacific Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

*21/6/88*

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