

V27272  
WEBBER  
BERNARD



## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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## AWARDS NAVY

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

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WEBBER Bernard	V-27272	O/Smh.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE
		C.A.S.F. UNIT	

WAR SERVICEBADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	9463
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL  
RCNVR April 42 "WINDFLOWER"

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS  
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mrs. Dinah Webber - Widow

~~125 Major Street,~~ 191 Grace St.,  
ADDRESS: Toronto, Ontario.

(1)

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW Mrs. Dinah Webber

125 Major St., Toronto, Ont.  
ADDRESS:

(2)

1-1-42

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. Esther G. Webber

169 Manning Ave., Toronto, Ont.  
ADDRESS:

(3)

16-1-42

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

REGN. NO

918



# CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Bernard WEBBER

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number
Halifax	Toronto	V-27272
		"
		"

Date of Birth	20 Oct. '16	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
Place of Birth	Fort William, Ont.	Wife:
Place of Residence	125 Major St Toronto Ont	Elviah
Trade brought up to	Spring operator	Same address
Religion	Hebrew	
Can Swim:—P.P.T.	Date	19
	Signature	Rank
P.S.T.	Date	19
	Signature	Rank

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
	26 May '41	Dur. Host. Ord. Sea.				

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION								
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	MARKS, WOUNDS, SCARS
	Feet	Inches						
On Entry	5	5	33	127	Brown	Blue	Med.	Scar under chin.
On re-enrolment—6 years' Service								
On re-enrolment—12 years' Service								
Further Description if necessary								

TRANSFER BETWEEN DIVISIONS				TRANSFER—LISTS A AND B		
From	To	Date	List	Date	Authority	



Year	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	LEDGER		RATING	FROM	TO	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE
		List	No.				
1941				<del>DIVISIONAL</del> STRENGTH			
1941	TORONTO DIVISION			ord. Sec.	26 May 41	15 June 41	
				Active Service			
1941	— — —			Ord. Sec.	16 June 41	11 Aug. 41	
1941	Stadacona			Op. Sec.	12 Aug.	9 Oct 41	
	Avalon (Windflower)			---	10 Oct 41	7 Dec 41	D.B.

**Wounds Received in Action, Hurt Certificates, Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prizes or other Grants**

[illegible]



## NAVAL TRAINING and ACTIVE SERVICE

[illegible][illegible]



## ...Conduct

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CANADAATTESTATION FORM  
(HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME WEBBER OFFICIAL NO. V-27272  
CHRISTIAN NAMES Bernard MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Married(1)

PERMANENT ADDRESS		RELIGION
209 Brunswick Ave., Toronto, Ont.		Hebrew
DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
20 Oct. '16	Town Fort William	Wife:
*Original Nationality of: Father Jewish Mother Jewish	County Dist. Thunder Bay Province Ontario	Dinah Same address.

\*If not the son of natural born British parents, particulars to be given at foot of next page

## (A) PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet 5	Inflated 34				
Inches 5	Deflated 32	Brown	Blue	Med.	Scar under chin.
	Mean 33				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY	
Public School.	Spring operator: Globe Bedding Co., 18 Spadina Ave., Toronto, Ont.	
DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
26 May '41	Ord. Sea.	Toronto

## (B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

- (1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.
- (2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
- (3) That \* (a) I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve, or Territorial Force.

\* (b) I served in ..... for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

\*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
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(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

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



N/C

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the.....Toronto.....Division  
Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake to bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this.....26th.....day of.....May '41.....

Signature of applicant.....*B. Webber*.....

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this.....26th.....day of.....May '41.....

.....*A. M. Linkletter*.....  
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.  
Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I,.....Bernard WEBBER.....do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant.....*B. Webber*.....

Witness.....*A. M. Linkletter*.....

Date.....26 May '41.....Rank.....Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R. ....

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

(E) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

.....Bernard WEBBER.....having been duly enrolled to serve in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be recorded in the Record Book of the.....Toronto.....Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

.....*A. M. Linkletter*.....  
Attesting Officer.

.....26 May.....194 1.....R.C.N.V.R. Division.....Toronto.....  
(or other establishment)

NOTE.—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Divisional Commanding Officer's Record Book, is to be forwarded to Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody.

The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.







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OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME

WEBBER

(Surname)

Bernard

(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

V27272

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. Toronto	Ord. Smn.	26	5	41		V.G.		7	12	41							
Duty Div. Hdqrs.	"	16	6	41													
Stadacona	"	12	8	41													
Windflower	"	10	10	41													
DISCHARGED	"	7	12	41	Missing Believed Killed												
GENERAL REMARKS																	
Memorial cross issued to wife. 2-1-42																	

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE	CIVIL	OCCU.	REL.	ED.	PERM.	RESIDENCE	PREV.	ENL.	RANK OR RATE ON ENLISTMENT		
BY MO YR	BIRTH	MAIN	SUB	CLON	P	CTV	TOWN	SER	DIV.	A	BR	RANK
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ENLIST DATE	ACT DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	SHIP	CR	RANK OR RATE				
BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	ESTAB	A	BR	RANK			
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SENIORITY										CHECKED		
BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR	BY MO YR			
16	06	41	09	00	00	20	07-12-41					

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## OCCUPATIONAL HISTORY FORM

THIS FORM IS TO BE COMPLETED FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES. THE INFORMATION SOUGHT IS FOR THE USE OF GENERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DEMOBILIZATION AND REHABILITATION, A COMMITTEE SET UP BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO STUDY PLANS FOR ESTABLISHING IN INDUSTRIAL LIFE THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, AFTER DISCHARGE. ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS IN ANSWERING WILL BE OF MUCH HELP TO THE COMMITTEE.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ON THE INSIDE OF COVER BEFORE COMPLETING FORM

## Section A—GENERAL INFORMATION

1. (a) Print name in full Bernard WEBBER (b) Reg'l. No. V-27272
2. (a) Arm of service Navy (b) Unit Toronto Division (c) Rank Ord. Sec.
3. (a) Date of birth 20 Oct. '16 (b) Have you any dependents? Yes (2) (c) Place of residence at time of enlistment Toronto, Ont.
4. (a) Place of enlistment Toronto, Ont. (b) Date of enlistment 26 May '41

PLEASE  
LEAVE  
BLANK

## Section B—EDUCATION AND TRAINING

5. (a) State age on finally leaving school 15 (b) Were you attending school or college up to the time of enlistment? No
6. State definitely highest standing reached at public, technical or high school (for instance—"4 years, Public School", "two years, High School", "Junior Matriculation", or "4 years technical course in printing", etc.) Public School.
7. If you attended a university, give name of university and standing or degree secured --
8. (a) Did you ever enter upon a trade apprenticeship? No (b) If so, for what occupation? -- (c) Did you finish it? -- (d) If you did not finish it, how long did you serve at it? --
9. (a) What languages do you speak fluently? English (b) What languages do you read well? English

## Section C—EMPLOYMENT CONDITION AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

10. (a) State whether you were WORKING or NOT WORKING at time of enlistment. (Enter here only "Working" or "Not Working", as case may be; particulars are asked for below) Working (b) At time of enlistment of what trade union or professional society were you a member? None.

## Section D—PARTICULARS CONCERNING THOSE WHO WERE UNEMPLOYED AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

QUESTIONS 11 TO 17 REFER ONLY TO THOSE WHO ANSWER "NOT WORKING" IN QUESTION 10 (a)

11. Had you ever been employed fairly regularly since leaving school? --
12. (a) If answer to 11 be "Yes", state exact trade or occupation at which you actually worked -- (b) State how long you had worked at this trade or occupation --
13. If answer to 11 be "No", state exact trade or occupation for which you feel qualified --
14. If you had been employed after leaving school, state when you last worked fairly regularly before enlistment --
15. Give details of last employer, if any: Name -- Address --
16. Nature of employer's business (for instance, "farmer", or "building contractor", or "boot factory", or "iron foundry", or "retail store", etc.) --
17. (a) If your last employment was in a business of your own, state nature and address of business -- (b) Date of discontinuing it --

## Section E—PARTICULARS CONCERNING THOSE WHO WERE EMPLOYED AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

QUESTIONS 18 TO 23 REFER ONLY TO THOSE WHO ANSWER "WORKING" IN QUESTION 10 (a). PLEASE READ THESE QUESTIONS AND REPLY TO THOSE APPLYING TO YOU AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

IF YOU WERE AN EMPLOYEE WORKING FOR AN EMPLOYER UP TO THE TIME OF ENLISTMENT, PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 18 TO 21

18. Name of employer Globe Bedding Co. Address 18 Spadina Ave., Toronto, Ont.
19. Nature of employer's business (for instance, "farmer", or "building contractor", or "boot factory", or "iron foundry", or "retail store", etc.) Manufacturers.
20. (a) Your specific occupation Spring operator (b) Number of years' experience at this occupation with any employer 1 yrs.
21. (a) Did your employer promise definitely to give you employment on discharge? -- (b) Did your employer refuse to promise you employment on discharge? -- (c) Do you wish to return to your former employment? Yes.

IF YOU WERE WORKING ON YOUR OWN UP TO THE TIME OF ENLISTMENT, THAT IS TO SAY, OPERATING A FARM, A STORE, AN AGENCY, OR IN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE, OR AS A PARTNER IN ANY SUCH LINE, PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 22 AND 23

22. (a) State nature of business, or professional practice -- (b) Where was it located? --
23. (a) Number of years engaged in this business -- (b) Have you made, or will you make plans to return to the same or a similar business on discharge? --

## Section F—PARTICULARS OF FARMING EXPERIENCE

24. (a) Do you wish to engage in farming after the war? Yes (b) Do you feel competent to operate a farm? -- (c) If so, in what kind of farming? --
25. (a) Were you born on a farm? -- (b) How many years' actual farming experience have you had? -- (c) In what provinces did you have experience? --

## Section G—MISCELLANEOUS

26. Have you made any arrangements other than indicated above, for re-establishment in civil life after discharge? No.
27. If so, state nature of your plans (for example, do you plan to return to school, or have you been assured of a job, etc.) --
28. State any employment preference or ambition you may have, other than indicated elsewhere in this form Machinist.

DATE

26 May

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SIGNATURE

B. Webber





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# CONDUCT SHEET

NAME Bernard WEBBER RATING One Star { PORT DIVISION AND OFFICIAL NUMBER Halifax V-27272

NAME OF SHIP	Date of Entry	No. of G.C. Badges held	Date of Commencement of "very good" conduct. (Art. 527, cl. 4 and 5)  If conduct is not "very good" insert "Nil"	Class for Conduct	Class for Leave	Character since last assessment on Service Certificate or Conduct Sheet (Art. 605, cl. 5 and 8)			Efficiency  (Art. 607)	For Art. 413 ratings only. (See Notes 5, 6 and 7.)		Ship Discharged to  (giving date, if it differs from date of assessment of character, and, in the case of an N.C.S. Steward or Cook discharged to Shore, the cause of discharge)	In red ink—Whether recommended for (a) Boys' Training Service. (b) Other Instructional Duties. (See Note 9)	R.M.G. or R.R.  (where applicable)	Commanding Officer's Signature
				If in 2nd class, insert (1) Date of reduction. (2) Date of proposed restoration.	If in 2nd class, insert date from which entitled to restoration to 1st class (Art. 573, cl.2)	From	To	Character Assessment		Whether recommended for advancement (Must be fit for immediate advancement and fully qualified)	Whether recommended with a view to accelerated advancement (Must also be fit for immediate advancement but not necessarily fully qualified)				
Stadecona	12 Aug '41	—	26 May '41	1	1	12 Aug '41	9 Oct '41	V.B.	Sat.	NY (HQ)	NO	Avalon (Windflower)			

## NOTES

- Destruction of Conduct Sheet.**—Attention is directed to Art. 603, cl. 3, K.R., which provides for the destruction, after the next assessment of character, of a Conduct Sheet shewing the record of offences in a previous ship. But the Conduct Sheet of a man joining a shore or harbour establishment may (and for Leading Seamen, Leading Signalmen, Able Seamen and Signalmen *must*) be kept in use and accompany him to his next sea-going ship.
- Date of Commencement of "very good" Conduct.**—When the date of commencement of "very good" conduct differs from that which would normally appear from the Service Certificate, the date is to be inserted in red.
- Class for Conduct.**—The date of proposed restoration may be any date not less than 3 months and not more than 6 calendar months from date of reduction. See Art. 567, K.R.
- Good Conduct Medal and Gratuity.**—Recommendations are to be made according to the instructions in Arts. 534, cl. 3, and 606, cl. 4, K.R. If the recommendation is intentionally withheld, a statement to that effect should be inserted. (See Art. 534, cl. 15.)
- Whether Recommended for Advancement.**—To be completed in respect of all Art. 413 ratings by inserting "Yes," "Not Yet" or "No" (but see notes (1), (2) and (3) below):
  - "Yes"—Recommended for advancement. To be followed by (N.Q.) if not fully qualified; this, if awarded in a sea-going ship, will count as a sea-going recommendation for men who require this qualification, although such men are not qualified for recommendation on Form S. 507.
  - "Not Yet"—To be used for ratings not yet recommended for advancement owing to their inexperience. To be followed by (N.Q.) if not fully qualified.
  - "No"—Not recommended, whether qualified or not.
 For Leading Seamen, Leading Signalmen, Able Seamen and Signalmen insert also "S.G.R." or "H.R." according as the ship is or is not a "sea-going" ship (Appendix XVII, Part 1, para. 10) in relation to the individual rating concerned.
- Whether Recommended for Confirmation.**—Notations, in red ink, are to be made across both the "Recommendation for Advancement," columns, after completion of a minimum period of three months' acting time, as to whether or not a rating is recommended for confirmation in the ordinary course. The abbreviations to be used are "R.C.O.C." or "N.R.C.O.C."
- Accelerated Advancement.**—Recommendations are not to be made in this column unless the rating was likely to have been recommended for accelerated advancement on the next return S. 507 had he remained in the ship. This column is intended merely to assist the Captain of the ship to which the rating is discharged in rendering S. 507 at the end of the half-year, by bringing to his notice ratings of more than ordinary merit, who should be specially considered when making the special recommendations on S. 507 for the accelerated advancement of a limited proportion of the ship's company. When recommending Leading Seamen, Leading Signalmen, Able Seamen and Signalmen add "S.G.R." or "H.R." as directed for previous column.
- Offences and Punishments.**—To be recorded on page 2.
- Training Service.**—This column is always to be completed for E.R.A.s, E.A.s, O.A.s, C.P.O.s, P.O.s and Leading Ratings of the Seamen, Signal W/T and Stoker branches, irrespective of whether or not the rating is a volunteer for the Training Service. If recommended, the word "Yes" should be inserted; if not recommended, the word "No."



No. **B** 36631



Province of Ontario

Dominion of Canada

# Certificate of Birth

This is to Certify that the following particulars are of record in the office of the Registrar-General of Ontario.

Name of child *Bernard Webber*  
Date of birth *October 20, 1916* Sex *Male*  
Place of birth *Port William* District *Thunder Bay*  
Name of father *Nathan Webber*  
Address of father *Port William* Occupation *Tailor*  
Maiden name of mother *Esther Pullman*

Date of Registration *5<sup>th</sup> August 1937*

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Registrar-General at the Parliament Buildings, City of Toronto, this *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *August 1937*



*J. V. Johns*  
Deputy Registrar-General  
*per. W. W.*

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N.S. CANADA

## DECLARATION OF ALLOTMENT

List and Number in Ledger	ALLOTOR	Rank or Rating	Official No.	Daily Rate of Pay
	<i>471 029</i> Surname..... WEBBER Christian } Names } BERNARD	Ord. Sea.	V-27272	\$1.25 M.A., 1.00

## 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..... WEBBER Christian } Names } DIANAH	Wife	125 Major St., Toronto, Ont.	\$55.00	July <del>XXXX</del> '41

## 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):—
\$25.00	<i>John made July 25/41</i> Webber, Dianah	as above	Increased as Sect. A <i>Initials</i> <i>25/7/41</i>

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.....

Rank or Rating Ord. Sea.

ENTERED IN FAIR LEDGER	ENTERED IN ROUGH LEDGER
	<i>Frederick</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:—

THE NAVAL SECRETARY,

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

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40M-4-40 (4787)  
N.S. 815-9-63

Pay Lieut Accountant Officer RCNVR

H.M.C.S. *Bytown*

Forwarded 18-7-41



Dec. 12, 1941.

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</u>	<u>RANK/ RATING NUMBER</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>PLACE &amp; DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>NEXT OF KIN</u>
WEBBER, Bernard	Ord. Snn. V 27272 R.C.N.V.R.	Missing believed killed on Active Service. He was serving in H.M.C.S. "Windflower" which was sunk on war service on the 7 December, 1941.	Wife: Mrs. Dinah Webber, 125 Major St., TORONTO, Ont.	

WILL: Attached

Yours truly,

  
(J. O. Gossette)  
NAVAL SECRETARY.

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

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REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.S. **"AVALON" (WINDFLOWER)** AT **St. John's, Newfoundland**

Name.....**Bernard..W.E.B.B.E.R.**.....  
(Christian Names in full)

Rank of Rating**Ordinary Seaman**.....Official Number.**V27272**.....  
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth.**Fort. William, Ont.**.... Date of Birth**20. October, 1916**.....

Occupation in Civil Life**Spring Operator**...Religion..**Hebrew**.....

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)

.....**175. days. Active. Service. R.C.N.V.R.**.....

Date of Death.**7. December, 1941**...Place of Death..**At sea**.....

Cause of Death...**Loss of H.M.C. Ship**.....

Nearest known( Name.**Mrs.. Dinah Webber**.....Relationship.**Wife**.....  
relative or ( Address.**125 Major Street,**.....  
friend ( .....**Toronto, Ontario**.....

Date on which the above was informed by ~~Ship~~ By **N.S.H.Q.**, 9th December, 1941.

Date on which death was registered with local Officials..**N.K.**.....

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 London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to the 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 invalided.....

**CAPTAIN, R.C.N.**

**Commanding Officer**

.....**10 December**.....194..**1**..

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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"A" Building"

NS V-27272  
(Staff)

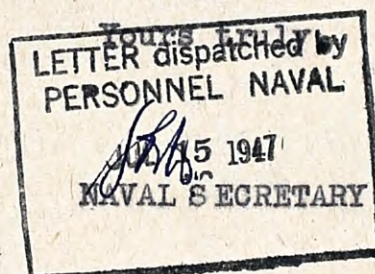
15th July, 1947

Dear Sir:

Reference your letter of the 13th ultimo requesting a description of the disaster in which O/S Bernard WEBBER, V-27272, R.C.N.V.R., lost his life, there are no descriptions of the disaster available owing to the density of the fog that prevailed at the time which made visibility practically impossible.

H.M.C.S. "WINDFLOWER" sank a few minutes after being in collision with S.S. "ZYPENBERG", one of the merchant ships in the convoy, on Sunday morning, 7th December 1941. The ships were approximately 300 miles east of St. John's, Newfoundland, at the time.

It is hoped that the foregoing may be of assistance to you.



M. Levitt, Esq.,  
Canadian Jewish Congress,  
1121 St. Catherine Street West,  
MONTREAL, P.Q.



CABLE ADDRESS:  
"JEWCON", MONTREAL

# Canadian Jewish Congress

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June 13, 1947.

A.H. Wyse,  
c/o Naval Secretary,  
Naval Service,  
Department of National Defence,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

Referred to *DPK*.....  
JUN 19 1947  
File No. *V-27272*.....  
2286 Chgd to.....

Ordinary Seaman Bernard Webber,  
V-27272, R.C.N.V.R., was lost in the North  
Atlantic after a collision between the Cor-  
vette H.M.C.S. Windflower and the S.S. Zypen-  
berg on December 7, 1941.

Are there in your files any des-  
criptions of the disaster in which this seaman  
perished? We are anxious to obtain an account  
for our War Record.

Thanking you for the recent information  
you gave us, we remain

Sincerely yours,

*M. Levitt*

M. Levitt,  
Canadian Jewish Congress

ML:BS



MEMORANDUM FOR

P. 64

Mrs. Dinah Webber.

125 Major Street,

Toronto, 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. N.S. 113-W-1075 FD. 421.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
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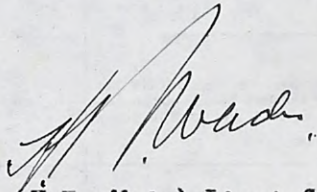
March 26, 1942

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

Ord. Smn. WEBBER, Bernard, No. V. 27272.

H.M.C.S. "Windflower"

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

  
(H.R. Wade) Lieut. Cdr. RCNVR,  
for (L.M. Firth) Major,  
Administrator of Estates.





ANSWER IN FULL ALL APPLICABLE QUESTIONS

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

Degrees of Relationship	RELATIVES required to be accounted for	INFORMANT'S STATEMENT		
		NAME IN FULL of any Relative, if any, in each degree inquired for	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL of each surviving Relative, opposite his or her name, and date of death of each deceased relative
1	Widow of the Deceased.....	WEBBER. DINAH	24	125 MAJOR. ST.
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....	WEBBER HERBERT. WEBBER. SHELOOH. M.		(OCT. 18. 1939.) 125 MAJOR ST (125 MAJOR. ST.) (NOV. 6. 1941.)
3	Father of the Deceased.....	WEBBER. NATHAN.		169 MANNING AVE
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	WEBBER ESTHER.		169 MANNING AVE
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Full Blood	WEBBER. AL.	44 LEONARD AVE.
		Half Blood	✓	✓
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Full Blood	WEBBER. SALLY.	169 MANNING AVE.
		Half Blood	✓	✓
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the De- ceased, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children	
	✓	✓	✓	

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

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



DECLARATION

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

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

\*.....WIFE.....of the deceased.

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

*Dinah Webster*

{Signature of Informant

CERTIFICATE

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

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

Dated at Toronto this 30th day of March 1942

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

*M. Zimmerman*

Qualification.....

Rebhi

Address.....

50 Major st.

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

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



FULL PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

10	What is the full name of the deceased?	WEBBER. BERNARD
11	Give the month and year of his birth.	OCTOBER. 20 <sup>th</sup> . 1917.
12	Where and when were his parents married?	CANADA. 1912.
13	If deceased was married, state place and date of marriage.	TORONTO. OCTOBER 31 <sup>st</sup> 1937
14	Did he leave a Will? If so, a copy should be attached hereto.	No.
15	Did he leave a bank account? If so, give full particulars.	No
16	Is there any other estate which will necessitate application being made for Probate of the Will or Letters of Administration of the estate?	No
17	State your own postal address in full.	125 MAJOR ST TORONTO,

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

18	Where was deceased born?	FORT WILLIAM	ONTARIO CANADA.
19	State, in order, the Province (or State) and country in which the deceased resided and the period of time in each, and in which last.		ONTARIO CANADA. ALL LIFE.
20	What was the nature of his employment?		SPRING WEAVER.
21	Did he own the premises in which he lived? If so, where?		No.
22	Did he ever state verbally, or in writing, where he intended to make his permanent home?		No.

OTHER PARTICULARS

23	Did the deceased after enlistment incur any debts for:— (a) His own separate board and lodging while on service. (b) Service clothing and equipment. An itemized account for each such debt should be attached hereto, and if same is correct you should mark the bill "approved" and sign same. If believed incorrect, give particulars.	No No ✓
24	Have you or any other relative paid the funeral expenses or any part thereof? If so, attach itemized accounts showing amount paid, and by whom.	No

(NOTE:—The Government pays funeral expenses within the amounts authorized in the Regulations, where death occurs and burial is made Overseas as well as where death occurs and burial is made in Canada, and if a relative has already paid those expenses the Government will reimburse such relative to the extent of the amount authorized in the Regulations. Any amount of such expenses in excess of those authorized in the Regulations is not payable by the Government nor is it chargeable against the service estate of the deceased.)

(PLEASE TURN OVER)



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

4  
NAVYDECEASED  
MEMBER'S  
NAME

Bernard

WEBBER

(CHRISTIAN NAMES)

(SURNAME)

PAYEE

ADDRESS

Mrs. Dinah Webber,  
66 Major St.,  
Toronto, Ont.

REGISTER NO.

FILE NO.

DATE

SERVICE NO.

FINAL RANK OR RATING

DATE OF DISCHARGE

10132  
NS.V-27272  
27th June '45  
V-27272  
Ord. 8mm.  
7th Dec '41.

DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE

7th Dec '41.

## A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 175 EQUAL TO 5 COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50

\$ 37.50

## B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 59 LESS 25 INELIGIBLE DAYS, EQUAL TO 34 DAYS @ 25c. PER DAY

8.50

## C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

## DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

PAY \$ 1.25  
SUBSISTENCE OR LODGING \$ 1.45  
AND PROVISION ALLOWANCE \$ 1.20  
ADDITIONAL PAY H.L.M. \$ 0.20

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE 1/30 OF \$

TOTAL \$ 4.15 X7 = \$ 29.05  
NO. OF DAYS 59 X \$ 29.05

183

9.37

## D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

55.37

## E. DEDUCTIONS

OVERPAYMENT OF

PAY AND ALLOWANCES \$ N11  
DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE  
AND ASSIGNED PAY \$

OTHER DEDUCTIONS \$

## F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE

55.37

## G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS—

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

TOTAL DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE \$

= \$ 55.37

Cheque 36017 - July 10/45

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

PREPARED BY

JF

CHECKED BY

CHECKED BY

DATE

TREASURY

J. J. Dir. Naval Pay Section

SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE