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LAMONT  
JAMES



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23-1-50



Mrs. Mary O. Lamont (mother)  
2175' East Hastings St.,  
Vancouver,  
B.C.

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MEMORIAL BAR	
DATE DESP	
REGN. NO	1918



124081

NAME LAMONT, James

FILE NO. 1040-L-742

P/O

RANK XXX XXX XXXXXXX

CATEGORY XXXXXXX PRES DEAD

REG. NO. XXXXXX J39103

DATE OF DEATH: 20-Oct-43 MOTHER LIVING: Yes

WIFE: NA

MINISTERIAL CARD: 10-11-43 ROYAL MESSAGE:

MEMORIAL CROSS  
TO CHAPLAIN:

To mother & father

NOV 6 1944

DEL'D TO MOTHER:

To mother & mother 6-Sept-44

DEL'D TO WIFE:

NOV 3 1944

Mr. & Mrs. John Lamont,  
2175 East Hastings Street,  
Vancouver, B.C.

COMMAND: WAC

RELIGION: Anglican.

MAB



J-39103 (R.O.)

REGISTERED

OTTAWA, Canada, 7th August, 1946.

Mr. John Lamont,  
2175 East Hastings Street,  
Vancouver, British Columbia.

Dear Mr. Lamont:

I regret the unavoidable delay in the preparation of the photographs that were taken at the Memorial Service held in memory of your boy and his comrades who lost their lives October 20th, 1943.

You will find enclosed five pictures, one of which shows the Cross that was erected in memory of your son. The four other photographs are exceptionally good pictures of the officiating clergymen which it was felt you would like to have. In picture No. 1 (marked on back) they are, left to right, the trumpeter, Wing Commander Costello, R.C. Chaplain, Wing Commander Frayne, Protestant Chaplain, and Captain E.F. Mandelcorn, Hebrew Chaplain. From this picture you will be able to identify these Chaplains in the other three pictures.

I am aware that your Chaplain has advised you of the Service and I trust indeed that these photos will be of some solace to you in the irreparable loss of your gallant boy.

I would like to again express to you and the members of your family my deepest sympathy.

Yours sincerely,

(W. R. Gunn) Wing Commander,  
R.C.A.F. Casualties Officer,  
for Chief of the Air Staff.

Encls.: 5  
WRG/AMK



3110 Lisgar Building, Ottawa, Ont.  
July 4th, 1946.

Mr. John Lamont,  
2175 E. Hastings St.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Lamont:

You will have been informed through official R.C.A.F. channels that the funeral service for your son, F/O James Lamont, was to take place at the scene of the crash yesterday, July 3rd, 1946, at 2:30 o'clock Eastern Daylight time. It was felt, however, that you would like to hear some of the more intimate details of yesterday's happenings on the slope of the mountain.

Yesterday morning the official party, consisting of a Hebrew Chaplain, Captain E.F. Mandelcorn of Montreal, W/C L.A. Costello, Principal Roman Catholic Chaplain and myself, together with S/L W. Cobb and P/O W. Tessier, DFC., Officers in charge, accompanied by a Trumpeter, R.C.A.F. Photographer, R.C.A.F. Public Relations Officer and representatives of the Press, was conducted to the scene of the burial by the Chief of St. Donat Police, Leo Bertrand, the Mayor of St. Donat, Richard Coutu, the members of St. Donat Council and a member of the Quebec Provincial Police.

A number of the next-of-kin who had driven in also attended. These included J.A. MacDonald and E.C. Hopkins, father and uncle of P/O Robert MacDonald, Gordon, William and Ira Beattie and James Arnold, three brothers and a brother-in-law of Corporal Harold Beattie, Mr. G. Sanderson and Mr. W. Slack, relatives of F/O Stephen Andrew Sanderson, AFM., Mr. and Mrs. G.O. Marr, parents of Corporal Ronald Douglas Marr, Mrs. G.R. Patterson, the widow of LAC Guy Ridgewood Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. MacNaughton, parents of Sgt. William G. MacNaughton, Mr. D.S. McLean and Mr. James Stewart MacNaughton, uncles of Sgt. MacNaughton, Mr. J.A. Poirier, father of F/L Joseph Alfred Poirier, together with Joseph's brother, P/O Cecil Poirier. As nearly as I can recollect the above folk comprise the representatives of the next-of-kin but as I am trusting my memory in this connection there may possibly have been some other relatives present. As well as the above, there were some hundred and fifty local inhabitants in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. MacNaughton, Mrs. Patterson and the other womenfolk remained below at the village.

The party left the hotel at St. Donat at 7:30 in the morning, drove back along the road for six miles, crossed a narrow arm of Lac Archambault and set out in a westerly direction along the trail that the advance party had broken in locating the crash and up the two hills that had to be climbed. Arriving at 11:00 o'clock at a tiny lake the party rested, had some sandwiches and then proceeded to the scene of the crash, arriving at 2:15 o'clock. Pictures of the setting for the funeral service will be forwarded to you within a few days. These should give you a fairly good idea of where your loved one is buried.

A single red rose was then placed upright at the foot of each Cross and the Star of David by the next-of-kin present and by the Chief of Police and the Mayor who represented the next-of-kin who were not present.

The Chaplains took their places at the side of the Cairn, which had been erected by the advance party and on which a memorial bronze plaque will be permanently placed, and then proceeded to conduct the funeral services.



Captain Mandelcorn led off with the funeral rites for WO.1 Jacob Silverstein, singing and reading the last rites of the Jewish faith for his laddie.

He was followed by W/C Costello, who was assisted by four priests who were vacationing at St. Donat. The full Roman Catholic Libera was chanted and read by these representatives of the Roman Catholic Church for F/L Poirier, F/O Sanderson and LAC. Joseph Veilleux. Upon the conclusion of the Roman Catholic Libera the last high offices of the Protestant Church were then conducted by the Principal Protestant Chaplain of the R.C.A.F. for the following:

F/L Robert Frank Fisher	Sgt. William Gordon MacNaughton
F/O Jay Syver Johnston	Sgt. Stanley Albert Wood
F/O James Lamont	Cpl. Harold David Beattie
P/O Robert William MacDonald	Cpl. Howard Kenneth Hambly
WO. 1 Wilfred Howlett	Cpl. Alec Clare Johnston
WO. 1 Franklin Elwood Jenkins	Cpl. Ronald Douglas Marr
WO. 2 Joseph Alexander Barabonoff	LAC. Charles Laurie Dynes
F/S Raymond Frank Ware	LAC. Guy Ridgewood Patterson
Sgt. Franklin Hicks Elliott	LAC. Albert James Radcliffe
Sgt. Eric Morgan Finn	LAC. Edwin William Read

The Protestant Service began with the reading of St. John 11:25-26; Romans 8:38-39; St. Matthew 5:14; St. John 14:1 and 2; Isaiah 40:11. These Scripture verses were followed by a reading of the names of the twenty Protestant boys who had paid the supreme sacrifice on this site.

The 23rd Psalm and the 121st Psalm were read, followed by the re-reading of some of the New Testament passages as above, together with Revelation 7:16 and 17.

Included in the funeral sermon were references to the fact that the love given to God's children will never die, and that nothing can kill it; neither principalities nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come; nor the sword, nor the crash of aircraft, nothing can kill it; it will last over - Forever.

The group present was reminded that those gathered on this mountainside were joined in spirit by the loving next-of-kin from Halifax to the West Coast. The verses of 'O Valiant Hearts' were then read:

'O Valiant Hearts, who to your glory came  
Through dust of conflict and through battle flame  
Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,  
Your memory hallowed in the Land you loved.

O Risen Lord, O Shepherd of our Dead,  
Whose Cross has bought them and whose Staff has led,  
In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land  
Commits her Children to Thy Gracious Hand."

Reference was made to a somewhat similar crash that had taken place in Britain during the war, while the Principal Chaplain was overseas. In this crash the Duke of Kent had been killed and Prime Minister Winston Churchill said:



"There is something about death on active service which is different from ordinary death in the normal course of nature. It is accepted without question by the fighting men. Those they leave behind them are also conscious of a light of sacrifice and honor which plays around the grave or tomb of the warrior. They are, for the time being, uplifted. This adds to their fortitude but does not in any way lessen their pain. Nothing can fill the awful gap; nothing can assuage or comfort the loneliness and deprivation. Only faith in a life after death, in a brighter world, where dear ones will meet again - only that and the measured tramp of time can give consolation."

There followed a mention of the hope of immortality which is ours, founded on the words of our common Lord and Master; reference being made to the New Testament passages above mentioned.

Passages were then quoted from the address given by Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg:

"We have come to dedicate a portion of this mountain as a final resting-place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live."

"The brave men who died here have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract."

"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increasing devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that those dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

The Committal took the form of the placing of twenty maple leaves, which had been picked from the trees of Canada's Capital City, on the grave, one by one, with these words:

For as much as it has pleased Almighty God to take unto Himself the souls of our comrades departed, we therefore now commit their earthly remains to this grave - a maple leaf from the Capital City of our beloved nation for each one, the symbol which marked them as Canadians wherever they sojourned in war - the emblem of the land they loved and for which they died. A gallant group of young Canadian gentlemen they were.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn,  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them."

The Committal Service was followed by the Prayer of Thanksgiving for the hope which is in Christ Jesus, and for the willingness with which our young men offered themselves and laid down their lives for the country which gave them birth.

Then came the prayer for the loved ones at home, the Lord's Prayer and the Benediction. After a brief pause, the Last Post was sounded by the R.C.A.F. Trumpeter. The Service was brought to a close by the



sounding of the Reveille and the saluting of each of the twenty-three Crosses, the one Star of David and the Cairn by the three Chaplains and the Officers present.

Two wreaths were then placed at the foot of the Cairn as a token of loving remembrance.

We realize most intimately that the belated discovery of the wrecked aircraft has broken open again the wounds of your sorrow and loneliness and all of us in the Royal Canadian Air Force join with you in your grief.

We must all of us recognize, however, that whether here or There, we are still in the Father's Hand and can look forward to that day when we shall know one another and love one another with a knowledge and love that are eternal in Christ Jesus our Lord.

In the meantime, it is our prayer that the Heavenly Father who gave His only and well beloved Son in sacrifice, even unto death, may grant you a peace that passeth all understanding and strength for the days ahead.

Very sincerely yours,

(R.M. Frayne)W/C  
Principal Chaplain (P) RCAF.



A I R M A I L

OTTAWA, Canada, 28th June, 1946.

Mr. John Lamont,  
2175 East Hastings St.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Lamont:

It is my painful duty to confirm the information that was conveyed in the three telegrams I recently despatched to you, advising of the locating of the wreckage of the Liberator aircraft on which your son was proceeding from Gander to Dorval October 20th, 1943. I sincerely regret that at this time it is not possible to convey to you many more details than were contained in the telegrams, for the search party that had experienced great difficulty in reaching the site of the crash identified the wreckage as that of the Liberator and determined that it was not possible to make recovery or identify any of the occupants and then returned to the village of St. Donat, Quebec, with their initial report which was conveyed to you in my telegram of June 25th.

The wreckage was sighted by a Pilot who was engaged on the search for a missing aircraft that had proceeded over that area the day before and had failed to arrive at its destination. He observed a glint of sunshine on a metal object and on further investigation was able to determine that it was that remained of an aircraft but could not identify it. He conveyed the location to Headquarters and a search party was despatched immediately, but owing to the mountainous region, dense undergrowth and heavy timber the search party was not able to locate the site. An aircraft was then despatched to guide the search party from the air and difficulties encountered were so great that the site could not be observed until within fifteen feet of it. In addition, air activities were hampered by weather conditions. The exact location is described as forty-six degrees sixteen minutes North, seventy-four degrees eighteen minutes West, on west side of twenty-five hundred foot mountain. It is approximately six miles from the village of St. Donat, Quebec.



The search party has again proceeded and is at present at the scene of the crash where they will clear the area as well as possible and erect a cairn. Crosses are being made and will be taken to the scene of the crash for erection. These will be individual Crosses with the name, rank and date of death inscribed thereon. The difficulty of transporting flowers has been carefully considered, but twenty-four roses will be taken to the site which will represent one for each of the occupants of the aircraft. The Memorial Burial Service will be held at the site of the crash on Wednesday, July 3rd, 1946, at 2:30 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, weather permitting, the area being quite liable to be entirely covered by cloud if it is not a clear day. Wing Commander R.M. Frayne, Principal R.C.A.F. Protestant Chaplain and Wing Commander L.A. Costello, Principal R.C.A.F. Roman Catholic Chaplain, will proceed to the site and will officiate at the service. A trumpeter will also be present. Official R.C.A.F. photographers will secure photographs which will be conveyed to you and complete reports of the service will also be sent to you by the respective Chaplains. During the service a Union Jack will be draped over the cairn. A flag-pole will be erected if it is possible, behind the cairn. A permanent brass plaque will be placed on the cairn at a later date; it is not possible to have such a plaque manufactured and ready for the service.

The officer in charge of the search party states that it is beyond all doubt death was instantaneous to all occupants of the aircraft. He also states that the site is quite inaccessible and should only be undertaken by an experienced woodsman. Considerable difficulty will be encountered in getting the officiating party for the memorial service to the site.

I realize that the anxiety and heartaches you have had to endure these many months will not be lessened by anything conveyed in this letter, but it is my sincere hope that you may derive some measure of comfort from the knowledge that these gallant boys did not suffer, for death is merciful to the men who fly in the air.

May I express to you and the members of your family my deepest sympathy.

Yours sincerely,

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(W. R. Gunn)

Wing Commander,  
R.C.A.F. Casualties Officer,  
for Chief of the Air Staff.

WRG/AMK/ER



PROOF OF EDUCATION

I, JAMES LAMONT do hereby solemnly swear and declare that:

(1) I attended Abbotsford High School, Abbotsford, B. C.  
from 1934 to 1936 completing all but 3 months of 2nd. year  
High School.

(2) I shall obtain proof of same and submit it to my Commanding Officer immediately.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED before me at the City of  
Vancouver in the Province of  
British Columbia, this 5th day of  
March, A.D. 1941.

James Lamont.

.....  
(W.L. Scandrett) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer  
R.C.A.F. Recruiting Centre  
Vancouver, B. C.



**R.C.A.F. R. 45**  
75M—8-41 (648)  
**H.Q. 1062-2-126**

J. A. T. P. CANADA

[illegible]



SOCIAL RESEARCH J. A. T. P. CANADA  
CANADIAN AIR FORCE  
RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

CHN. 97502  
A.F. No.

Surname

Christian Names

Religion

Born 11-4-20

Place

Country

Citizen of

Racial Origin

ENLISTMENT

CIVIL EDUCATION

PREVIOUS SERVICE

Date

High School Entrance

Jr. Mat.

Sr. Mat.

At

Technical School

Corres. Courses

Term

University

RANK

DATE

Med. Cat.

DATE

CIVIL OCCUPATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

AC2

7-3-41

AIB-A3B

LHC

18-8-41

SRAT(PD)

2-2-42

A/F Sgt. Pd

2-8-42

T/F Sgt

2-8-42

A/W.O2

2-2-43

T/W.O2

2-2-43

COURSES AND TRADE TESTS

Trade

Grp.

%

PorF

Date Rem.

Trade

Grp.

%

PorF

Date Rem.

W.O2

S

P

7-3-41

REMUSTERED

W.O2

SPEC

2-2-42

PARTICULARS OF FAMILY

Wife

Maiden Name

Present Address (in pencil)

Children

Names

Date of Birth

Place of Birth

NAME(S)

ADDRESS AND RELATIONSHIP OF PERSONS TO BE INFORMED OF CASUALTIES (in pencil)

Mr James Lamont  
2175 East Hastings St.  
Vancouver B.C.

LEAVE

CHARACTER AND TRADE ASSM. HONOURS, AWARDS AND MENTIONS

FROM

TO

AUTH. AND DESCRIPTION

DATE

CHARACTER

TRADE AND ASSM.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

SIGNATURE

SL4FW, # C12535, 16-12-41

2-2-42

A.G. BADGE

DR033

DR0145 Granted Temp. W. #24491 d/305/42

1-6-42 15-6-42 DR0142 Annual

30-11-42 14-12-42 (14) Annual DR0324

23-1-43 6-18-43 (14) ann. DR0176

DR0176 147902 d/20-1-43 DR0176

22-10-43 5-11-43 DR0257 Ann. ann.

Cancelled in DR0280

MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES

AUTHORITY

UNIT FROM

UNIT TO

DATE

AUTHORITY

UNIT FROM

UNIT TO

DATE

Departure Arrival R/Center #2 M.D.

DR013 DR065 Vancouver Brandon 14-3-41

DR084 - Admitted to stat. Hosp. 7-4-41

DR0100 BRANDON CLARESBURG 29-4-41

" 141/41 (4TC) Comes to 4 alt. no. 15 SFTS

HTC HQ 15 SFTS 14-6-41

Regina Clareholm

D.R.O. 49/41 #15 S.F.T.S. 2 Wireless 20-7-41

Clareholm Calgary

DR0313 #2 W/S #5 B4C 2-1-42

DR033 ISSUED SHW #67431 30-1-42

DR033 #5 B4G #1 VDEPOT 3-2-42

DAFOE, SASR HQ N.S.

DR062 14 Depot 113 Bn 2-3-42

DR0271 7/10/42 Temp. duty to Chatham M.B.

departing 1-10-42 160 hrs. by air.

DR041/43 Adm. to Stn. Hosp. eff. 8-2-43

DR047/43 Discharged from Stn. Hosp. 14-2-43

DR0129/43 113 Sgdr 10 Sgdr 8-5-43

Yorkmouth Yander.

Lamont, J.



ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE  
RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO HIGHER RANKRCAF-R.14 (REVISED)  
200M-1-42 (1521)  
H.Q. 1062-3-17

1. No. R97502 2. Trade W.O.A.G. 3. Group "Sp."  
4. Name Lamont, J. 5. Date of Birth 11-4-20 6. Date of Enlist 7-3-41  
7. Present Temp. Rank or Classification Flight Sergeant (Paid) Effective 2-8-42  
8. Present Acting Rank W.O. 2 (Paid) Effective 2-2-43  
(Unpaid)  
9. Number of General Conduct Sheet Entries in past 6 months ..... Present evidence of Debt No  
(Yes or No)  
9A. If aircrew, number of blameworthy entries in log book N11  
10. If under 33 years of age and with Aircrew Educational qualifications N.A.  
Medical Category on M2 Examination N.A. Date M2 Exam N.A.  
11. If A1B—A3B Med. Cat. is Airman desirous of Aircrew training under existing regulations N.A.  
(Yes or No)

12.

TRADE PROFICIENCY		CHARACTER ASSESSMENT	
LAST	PRESENT	LAST	PRESENT
—	<u>Super.</u>	—	<u>V. Good</u>

(To be completed in accordance with provisions of K.R. (Air) paras. 415 and 416)

13.

REMARKS

Well qualified and conscientious  
Tradesman. Good type senior NCO.

I recommend the subject Airman for advancement in rank and consider that he is immediately fitted to discharge the duties of the rank of Warrant Officer Class 2 in his trade.

I do not consider this Airman potential officer material.

No. 113 Squadron

Unit

Squadron Leader

(Rank)

Officer Commanding

(Appointment)

APR 16 1943

Date

(PARAS. 12 and 13 MUST be completed and signed by Unit Commanding Officer)

14.

## QUALIFICATION REPORT DRILL AND CEREMONIAL

Certified that the subject Airman has been subjected to Qualifying Tests in Drill and Ceremonial before a Board of qualified personnel and is in all respects qualified up to and including the rank of W.O.2 in accordance with the Standards prescribed (A.F.A.O. A.51/14)

Cocramp F/O  
(President)

15.

## TO BE COMPLETED BY COMMANDING OFFICER ONLY

## REVIEW ONE MONTH PRIOR TO DATE OF NORMAL APPOINTMENT TO TEMPORARY PAID RANK

Certified that the all-round proficiency of the subject Airman has been reviewed at this date.

He is RECOMMENDED for,

- (a) Appointment to Temporary Rank,  
(b) Retention in Acting Rank for a further period of .....  
(c) Reduction to substantive rank.

**STRIKE OUT ITEMS NOT APPLICABLE.** If action under (b) is recommended or action under (c) is taken by promulgation in Unit D.R.O.'s, D.A.P.S. is to be notified immediately.

(Date)

(Signature)

16. Recommended for appointment to rank of .....

Warrant Officer, Class.....

(Command Specialist Officer)

(Date)

(Air Officer Commanding)

(Date)

## FOR HEADQUARTERS USE ONLY

Education	University Degree	Senior Matric.	Junior Matric.	Entrance Standard or Below
Appointed to rank of .....				(Paid) Effective.....
by .....				Dated.....
Signature.....			Particulars Checked	Appointment Approved
Rank.....				
Appointment.....				
Date.....				

NOTE:—Recommendations for Warrant Rank to be submitted to Commands in duplicate.



R.C.A.F. T.82  
5M-11-40(8313).  
H.Q. 1062-13-65.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE.

REPORT ON PUPIL WIRELESS OPERATOR (AIR GUNNER)  
OR AIR GUNNER.

AIR AND GROUND TRAINING.

Surname.....LAMONT.....Christian Names.....J......  
Number.....R97502.....Rank.....LAC.....

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. At the conclusion of each stage of training this report must be completed and forwarded as indicated below in sufficient time to arrive on or before the date on which the pupil reports for the commencement of the next stages of training:-

Original and Duplicate--From Wireless School to Bombing and Gunnery School.

2. On completion of training, the original is to be placed on the pupil's personal file and the duplicate forwarded to Air Force Headquarters through Command Headquarters.

3. In the event of the discontinuance of training at any stage, the duplicate is to be forwarded to R.C.A.F. Headquarters through Command Headquarters with full particulars as to the cause of discontinuance of training and instructor's report as to the reasons for the pupil's failure and the original is to be placed on the pupil's personal file.

4. A pupil will be entitled to "Pass" if he obtains not less than 60 per cent of the total marks in the Written, Practical and Oral Tests, and not less than 50 per cent in each of the separate subjects included in this Test.

PART I

WIRELESS TRAINING.

1. No...2.....Wireless School. Course No...22... To...7-12-41.....From...21-7-41.....

2. Flying Times:-  
(a) In Flying Classroom as 1st Operator.....45.....hours  
(b) In Flying Classroom, listening watch.....2:30.....hours  
(c) In 2-seat aircraft as sole operator.....7:10.....hours

3. Assessment as Air Operator (delete categories not applicable). Unless at least 5 hours has been shown against para 2 (a) above, no assessment is to be made and therefore all categories are to be deleted.

~~Above average.~~  
Average.  
~~Below average.~~

4. Ground Training.

Subject	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained.	Subject	Maximum Marks	Marks obtained.
Theory	50	<u>36</u>	Signals Organization	150	<u>95</u>
Radio Equipment	250	<u>127</u>	Armament	100	<u>70</u>
Morse ( <del>buzzer and lamp</del> )	200	<u>160</u>	Drill and P.T.	50	<u>33</u>
Procedure	200	<u>146</u>	Totals	1000	<u>667</u>

Maximum Marks, 1000. Marks Obtained...667...Percentage...66.7...Pass or Fail.....Pass

Position in Class.....76.....No. in Class.....162.....

5. Date authorized to wear Wireless Operator's Badge.....4-1-42.....



## PART I - Concluded

## WIRELESS TRAINING.

6. Numerical Assessment as to suitability for Commissioned Rank:- (To be marked on a basis of 500 marks maximum).....

360/500

..... 2 .....  
Officer Commanding  
No. .... 2-1-42 ..... Wireless School.

Date.....

To be passed to No. .... 2 ..... B. G. S.

## PART II

## ARMAMENT TRAINING.

1. No. .... 5 ..... B.G.S. Course No. .... 24 .....  
2. Dates of Courses:- From .... 5-1-42 ..... To .... 2-2-42 .....

## AIR TRAINING.

## GUNNERY

3. Flying Time:-

Aircraft	Day	Night	Passenger	Total	
				Hrs.	Mins.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battle	10:45	.....	.....	10:45	.....

4. Air Gunnery Results:-

Average percentage  
hits to rounds fired

- (a) Beam Test..... 3 ..... %  
(b) Beam Relative Speed Test..... 3 ..... %  
(c) Under Tail Test..... 7.3 XXXX ..... %

5. Total Rounds Fired:-

- Ground..... 340 ..... %  
Air to Ground..... 320 ..... %  
Air to Air..... 1835 ..... %

TRACER ..... 200

Marks Obtained

6. Assessment:-

- (a) Written Examination..... (100 Marks) ..... 75 .....  
(b) Practical and Oral Examination..... (100 Marks) ..... 85 .....  
(c) Ability as Firer..... (250 Marks) ..... 185 .....  
(d) Qualities as an N.C.O..... (150 Marks) ..... .....

Totals..... 450 .. (600 Marks)

308

7. Position in Class.... 15 ..... No. in Class..... 25 ..... Pass or Fail..... Pass

8. Date authorized to wear Air Gunner's Badge..... 2-2-42 .....

9. Numerical Assessment as to suitability for Commissioned Rank:- (To be marked on a basis of 250 marks maximum)..... 160 .....

10. Remarks.... An average student. ....

.....  
H. J. R. Hayes Wg/Comdr.  
Chief Instructor  
No. .... 5 ..... B. G. S.  
Date.... 2-2-42 .....



PART II - Concluded.

AIR TRAINING.

11. Final Assessment (to be completed at B. G. S.)

Course	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
Wireless School	1000	667
Bombing and Gunnery School	450 <del>1600</del>	308
Totals	1450 <del>1600</del>	975

12. Percentage.....67.2.....Pass or Fail...Pass.....Position in Class..18.....

No. in Class.....23.....

13. Recommended for Commissioned Rank.....Assessment.....  
(Yes or No) (Ex., above average)

14. Remarks.....Concurred in para. 10.....

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*H. J. W. Hayes* <sup>br</sup> *h*  
.....Gd/Cpt.  
Officer Commanding  
No.....5.....B. G. S.

Date 2-2-42.....









OCT 18 1943

Date Taken: 23/Sept/43  
Certified a true likeness of  
R97502 WO1F Lamont, J.

*M. J. O'Brien*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
ADJUTANT TEN SQUADRON







Worhamont  
Already sent as  
for wool 1/9







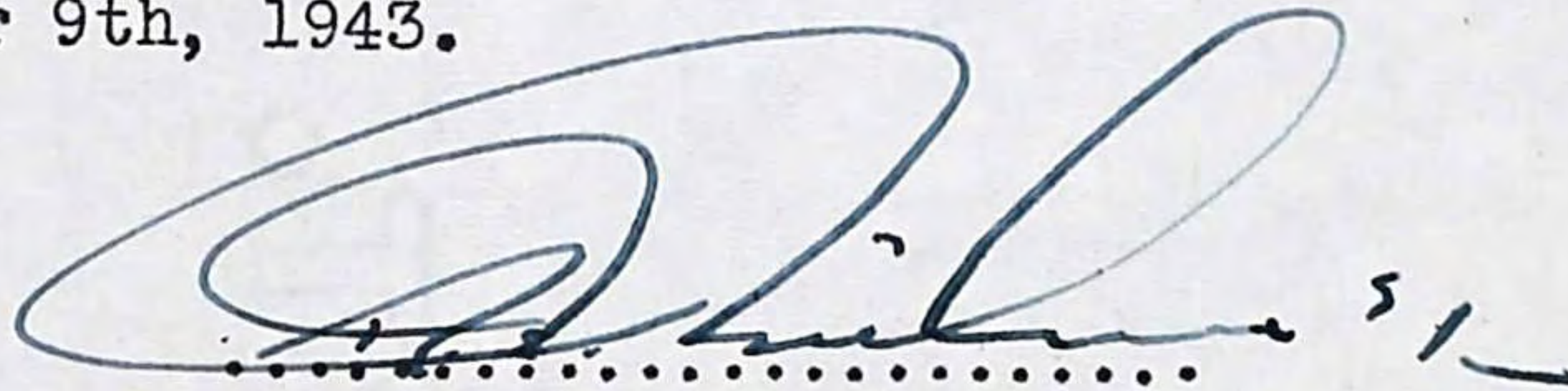
R-97502  
Lamont, J.



EXHIBIT "A"

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Denom.</u>	<u>Article</u>
1	ea.	Identification bracelet
1	ea.	Toilet set
1	ea.	Writing portfolio
1	ea.	Watch, wrist watch
1	ea.	Fountain pen, Parker
1	ea.	Eversharp pencil
1	ea.	Lock and key
1	ea.	Mantel radio, Rogers Majestic
2	ea.	Combinations, winter
1	ea.	Shirt, blue
2	ea.	Towels
1	ea.	Sweatshirt
1	ea.	Turtle-neck sweater
1	ea.	Sweater, blue
2	ea.	Handkerchiefs
10	pr.	Socks
1	ea.	Belt
1	ea.	Log book
2	ea.	Pictures

This is Exhibit "A" (being a complete inventory of personal clothing and effects) entered in the report of the Committee of Adjustment for the estate of WO.2 J. Lamont (R97502) held at R.C.A.F. Station, Gander, on November 9th, 1943.



President,  
Committee of Adjustment.



Read this whole Form and Instructions on other side before commencing to complete.

# WILL

R.C.A.F. R. 60  
40M-5-40 (5140)  
H.Q. 1062-3-45

Last  
Permanent  
Civilian  
Address

(1) I, James Lamont of the City  
Abbotsford in the County of BC mechuric  
District of mechuric  
Province of BC (Civil Occupation)

a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force, Number R. 97502 do hereby  
revoke all former Wills by me made and declare this to be my LAST WILL.

(a) Relation-  
ship  
(b) Names  
and  
(c) Address of  
beneficiaries  
and  
(d) What each  
is to receive.

(2) I GIVE, DEVISE AND BEQUEATH unto my mother  
Mary Osborne Lamont  
Abbotsford B.C.

Relationship,  
Names and  
Address of  
Residuary  
Beneficiaries.

(3) I GIVE, DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all my estate all the rest and residue of my estate, both real and personal,  
of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situate unto

(4) I appoint Mary Osborne Lamont as above  
(Name) (Address)  
to be the Executor  
Executrix of this my Last Will.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this 17 day of  
March 1941.

Signed and acknowledged by the Tes-  
tator, in the presence of us present at  
the same time who in his presence, at  
his request, and in the presence of  
each other have hereunto subscribed  
our names as witnesses.

James Lamont  
(Signature of Testator)

First  
Witness  
sign here.

(5) R. B. Scott  
(Signature)  
R. C. A. F. Brandon  
(Address)  
clerk Acet  
(Occupation)

Second  
Witness  
sign here.

R. A. Pearson  
(Signature)  
R. C. A. F. Brandon  
(Address)  
clerk  
(Occupation)

(Witnesses are not to be beneficiaries.)



[OVER]



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

4  
AIR

DECEASED  
MEMBER'S  
NAME

James  
(CHRISTIAN NAMES)

Lamont  
(SURNAME)

REGISTER NO.

FILE NO. 17527

DATE 30 July/45

SERVICE NO. J39103

FINAL RANK OR RATING P/O

DATE OF DISCHARGE 20 Oct/43

PAYEE  
ADDRESS

Receiver General of Canada,  
Director of Estates,  
Ottawa, Ont.

DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE

20 Oct/43

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 952 EQUAL TO 31 COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50

\$ 232.50

B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 597 LESS 22 INELIGIBLE DAYS, EQUAL TO 575 DAYS @ 25c. PER DAY

143.75

C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

PAY \$ 6.25  
SUBSISTENCE OR LODGING  
AND PROVISION ALLOWANCE \$ 1.70

ADDITIONAL PAY \$

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE 1/30 OF \$

TOTAL \$ 7.95 X 7 = \$ 55.65  
NO. OF DAYS 597 X \$ 55.65

183

181.55

D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

557.80

E. DEDUCTIONS

OVERPAYMENT OF

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

OTHER DEDUCTIONS \$

F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE

557.80

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS—

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE TO YOU \$

TOTAL DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE \$

P. & A. Bal. Trans. Trust Account  
Journal Voucher # G 112

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 RK  
CHECKED BY JPM

TREASURY  
CHECKED BY  
DATE 3.8.45

SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE



Treasury Office.  
Air Force Services  
OTTAWA, - CANADA.

Rec'd. AUG 2 1945

P. & A. SECTION



PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH—DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS  
REGISTRATION OF DEATH

Reg. No. (Office use only)

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING. WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK. THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.

CITIZENSHIP (NATIONALITY) is defined in terms of the country to which the person owes allegiance. The term "Canadian" should be used as descriptive of a person who was born in Canada or who has rights of Citizenship in Canada, unless he or she has subsequently become the citizen of another country.

RACIAL ORIGIN is defined in terms of the people or race to which the person—traced through the father—belongs, whether English, Irish, Scottish, French, German, Russian, Ukrainian, etc. The terms "Canadian" or "American" should not be used for RACIAL ORIGIN, as they express CITIZENSHIP (NATIONALITY).

## 1. PLACE OF DEATH

Name of city or place OVERSEAS (NEWFOUNDLAND) Name of Municipality (if any) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or road \_\_\_\_\_ House No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give the name instead of street and number)

## 2. LENGTH OF STAY

In Municipality where death occurred \_\_\_\_\_ In Province \_\_\_\_\_ In Canada (if immigrant) \_\_\_\_\_  
(in years, months and days)

## 3. PRINT FULL NAME OF DECEASED

LANONT JAMES  
(Surname or last name) (Given or Christian names)

## 4. PERMANENT RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:

Name of city or place Abbotsford Name of Municipality (if any) British Columbia  
Street or road \_\_\_\_\_ House No. \_\_\_\_\_

## 5. SEX

Male

## 6. CITIZENSHIP

(See marginal note)

British

## 7. RACIAL ORIGIN

(See marginal note)

Scotch

## 8. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced

(Write the word)

Single

## 9. BIRTHPLACE (Province or Country)

England

## 10. Date of Birth

April  
(Month by name)11th  
(Day)1920  
(Year)

## 11. AGE

Years

Months

Days

If less than one day

23

hrs. or min.

OCCUPATION

12. (a) Trade, profession or kind of work as spinner, grader, clerk, etc.  
(b) Kind of industry or business, as paper mill, lumber, bank, etc.Wireless Air GunnerR.C.A.F.

(If labourer specify kind of work above)

13. Date deceased last worked at this occupation

October 20th 1943

14. Total years spent in this occupation

Three

## 15. If married, widowed or divorced give name of husband or maiden name of wife of deceased

## 16. Name of father

Lamont

(Surname or last name)

John

(Given or Christian names)

## 17. Maiden name of mother

Hynd

(Surname or last name)

Mary Osborne

(Given or Christian names)

## 18. Birthplace:—

Father

Scotland

(Province or Country)

Mother

Scotland

(Province or Country)

## 19. I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Ottawa, this 28th day of August, 19 44Signature of informant J. Allan F.H. Relationship to deceased \_\_\_\_\_Address For (R.C.A.F. Records Officer)

## 20. Burial, Cremation or Removal

Date

19 44

(Month by name)

(Day)

(Year)

Place of Burial

(Municipality)

Cemetery

## 21. Undertaker:—

Name

Address

## 22. Marginal Notations (Office use only)

## MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

## 23. DATE OF DEATH

October20th19 43

(Month by name)

(Day)

(Year)

## 24. I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

to \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_, and last saw him \_\_\_\_\_ alive on \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

I

## Immediate cause

Give disease, injury or complication which caused death, **not** the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asphyxia, asthenia, etc.

## CAUSE OF DEATH

Previously reported killed in flying accident, now for official purposes, presumed dead.

(a) due to

Morbidity conditions, if any, giving rise to immediate cause (stated in order proceeding backwards from immediate cause).

(b) due to

(c)

II

Other morbidity conditions (if important) contributing to death but not causally related to immediate cause.

## DURATION

Yrs.

Mos.

Dys.

## 25. If a woman, was the death associated with pregnancy? \_\_\_\_\_

## 26. Was there a surgical operation? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of operation \_\_\_\_\_

State findings

Was there an autopsy? \_\_\_\_\_

## 27. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:—

Accident, suicide or homicide? Accident Date of injury October 20th

(State which)

Manner of injury Presumed killed in flying accident

(How sustained)

Nature of injury

Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home or in public place public place

Signed by

Designation

Address

Date

## 28. I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

District Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_



# OFFICIAL ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE CASUALTY NOTIFICATION

NUMBER **J39103 (R97502)**

RANK **P/O**

UNIT **10 SQDN  
GANDER, NFLD.**

TRADE **W.A.G. (G.L.)**

NAME **LAMONT, JAMES**

R.C.A.F.	R.A.F.	R.A.A.F.	R.N.Z.A.F.	OTHER
<b>X</b>				

MARITAL STATUS **~~SINGLE~~ SINGLE**

RELIGION **ANGLICAN**

CANADIAN

FRENCH CANADIAN

OTHER **BRITISH**

NEXT OF KIN AS SHOWN ON  
REC. OF SERV. & RELATIONSHIP

ADDRESS

NAME  
ADDRESS  
D.A.B.

**MR. JOHN LAMONT (FATHER)  
2175 EAST HASTINGS STREET  
VANCOUVER, B.C.**

**MRS. MARY O.**

NEXT OF KIN AS SHOWN ON  
CAS. SIG. & RELATIONSHIP

ADDRESS

**MR. JOHN LAMONT (FATHER)  
2175 EAST HASTINGS STREET  
VANCOUVER, B.C.**

FATHER'S NAME

ADDRESS

**MR. & MRS. JOHN LAMONT  
2175 EAST HASTINGS STREET  
VANCOUVER, B.C.**

LIVING ON ENLISTMENT **YES**

MOTHER'S NAME

ADDRESS

LIVING ON ENLISTMENT **YES**

WAS MEMBER ATTACHED TO R.A.F. AT ANY TIME? **YES**/NO

IF CASUALTY OCCURRED IN CANADA DID MEMBER HAVE SERVICE OUTSIDE CANADA DURING WAR WITH THE GERMAN REICH? YES/**NO**

IF ON LEAVE, STATE DATE LEAVE COMMENCED AND WHETHER ON LEAVE WITH OR WITHOUT PAY? **NEWFOUNDLAND**

## CASUALTY DETAILS:

AUTHORITY CAS. SIG. NO.

**K.R. (AIR) PAR 710 (3) -----d-27-JULY-44**

**PREVIOUSLY REPORTED "MISSING" 20-OCT-43 AS A RESULT OF A FLYING  
ACCIDENT--LAST REPORTED OVER MONT JOLI--ENROUTE GANDER TO DORVAL  
(FAMILIARIZATION AND TRANSPORTATION)**

**NOW "PRESUMED DEAD" 20-OCT-43 FOR OFFICIAL PURPOSES**

LAST WILL ATTACHED TO  
NOTIFICATION TO A. OF E.? YES/**NO**

M.F.M. 5 ATTACHED TO  
NOTIFICATION TO A. OF E.? YES/**NO**

DATE **18-AUG-44**

CERTIFICATE P. OF D.  
ATTACHED TO A. OF E. COPY YES/**NO**

**ARLW...**

FOR CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF

ATS-RT

**2**

**ADMINISTRATOR OF ESTATES, OTTAWA**

**15397**



# 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 LAMONT, JAMES (b) Reg'l. No. 97502  
(a) Arm of service R.C.A.F. (b) Unit 112 Bn (c) Rank P/O  
(b) Have you (c) Place of residence  
3. (a) Date of birth 11/4/19 any dependents? NO at time of enlistment WATERLOO, O.N.  
4. (a) Place of enlistment WINDSOR, O.N. (b) Date of enlistment 10/15/41

PLEASE  
LEAVE  
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## Section B—EDUCATION AND TRAINING

5. (a) State age on finally leaving school 17 (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.) 2 YEARS HIGH  
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? YES (b) If so, for what occupation? MACHINIC (c) Did you finish it? YES (d) If you did not finish it, how long did you serve at it? 6 MONTHS  
9. (a) What languages do you speak fluently? ENGLISH (b) What languages do you read well? ENGLISH

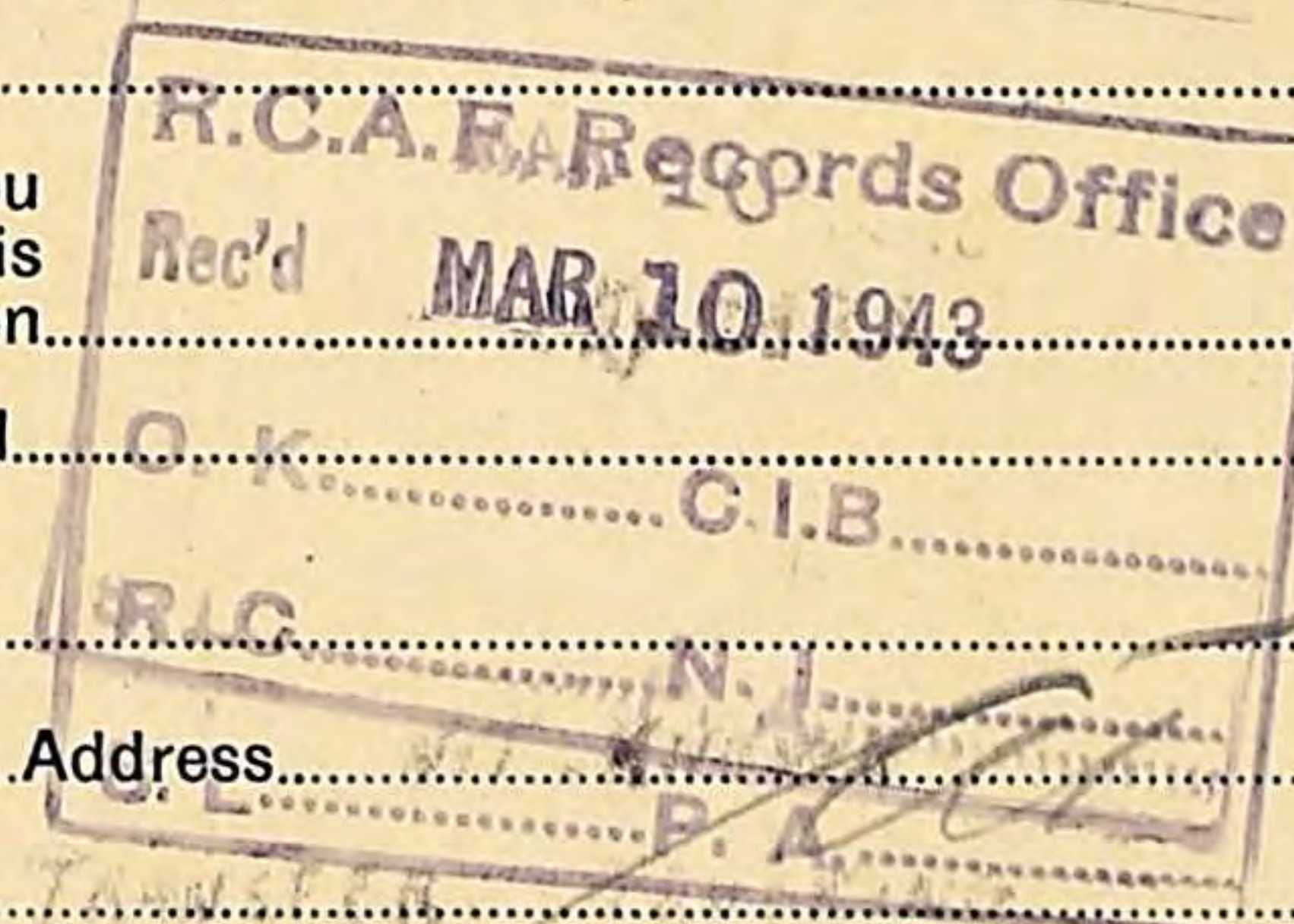
## Section C—EMPLOYMENT CONDITION AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

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 WELDING (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 W. A. McMillan Address WINDSOR, O.N.  
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 W. A. McMillan Address WINDSOR, O.N.  
19. Nature of employer's business (for instance, "farmer", or "building contractor", or "boot factory", or "iron foundry", or "retail store", etc.) TECHNICAL  
20. (a) Your specific occupation WELDING (b) Number of years' experience at this occupation with any employer 2 YEARS  
21. (a) Did your employer promise definitely to give you employment on discharge? NO (b) Did your employer refuse to promise you employment on discharge? NO (c) Do you wish to return to your former employment? NO

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? (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?  
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 WELDING

DATE 11/4/41 194 SIGNATURE JAMES LAMONT



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

Mrs. John Lamont.

2175 East Hastings Street,  
Vancouver, B.C.

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

and the following number quoted:—

H.Q. 1040-L-742 FD 216

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
ESTATES BRANCH  
OTTAWA, ONT.

September 14, 1944.

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

LAMONT, James, P/O

No. J.39103 R.C.A.F.

it is necessary that certain information regarding the deceased and his relatives should be furnished the Estates Branch. You are asked therefore to read the enclosed memorandum before completing pages 2 and 3 of this form. The particulars required are to be carefully filled in and the Declaration on page 4 should then be signed in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner for Oaths, Notary Public or a Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces who should be asked to complete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.

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.

AM

Director 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 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.....	_____		
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....	_____		
3	Father of the Deceased.....	John LAMONT.	55	2145 E. Hastings St. Vancouver. B. C.
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	Mary. Osborne Lamont.	53	2145 E. Hastings St. Vancouver. B. C.
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Full Blood	John Lamont. Jr.	31 Canadian Army Italy.
		Robert Lamont.	21	Canadian Army Italy.
		Half Blood		
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Full Blood	Margaret Lamont	24 Haney B. C.
		Half Blood		
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the Deceased, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children	
		_____	_____	



ANSWER FULLY EACH QUESTION ON THIS PAGE  
PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

8	Full names of the deceased.	JAMES LAMONT.
9	Date of his birth.	April 11 <sup>th</sup> 1920
10	Place and date of his marriage.	_____
11	Place and date of his parents' marriage.	Glasgow, Scotland Aug. 18 <sup>th</sup> 1909.

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

12	Place where deceased was born.	Coventry England.
13	State, in order, the Province, State and/or County in which he resided before enlistment and the period of time in each.	(a) Province of B.C. (b) _____ (c) 14 years. (d) _____
14	Nature of employment before enlistment.	Mechanic.
15	State whether he owned the premises in which he lived, and, if so, where situated.	No.
16	Name place where deceased stated he intended to make his permanent home.	With Parents.

PARTICULARS OF ESTATE

17	Did he leave a Will? If in your custody, please forward.	No.
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?	No.
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. Do you wish it administered with the pay account?	No.
20	Amount of War Savings Certificates held by deceased. Indicate where located.	_____
21	Amount of Victory Loan Bonds held by deceased. Indicate whether registered or bearer and where located.	_____
22	If deceased had life insurance, name companies and amount payable under each policy and the person named as beneficiary therein.	No.
23	Describe other assets, if any, and estimated value thereof. Use space on page 4 if necessary.	_____

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.	No. =
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.	No.
<p>(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.)</p>		

(PLEASE TURN OVER)



## 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

\* Mother of the deceased.

N.B.—To be signed in full in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public or Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces.

Mary O. Lamont.

Signature of Informant

2175 E. Hastings St. Vancouver B.C.

Address

## CERTIFICATE

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

\*See above

Mrs Mary O. Lamont

{ Name of informant }

is the\*

mother.

of the Deceased

above described. The above Declaration was made by the Informant and signed in my presence.

Dated at

Vancouver B.C.

this

21<sup>st</sup>

day of

September

19

44.

Signature of Clergyman, Priest, Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public or Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces.

Tom Mulgrew

Qualification

A Notary Public in and for the

Province of British Columbia

Address

2477 E. Hastings Vancouver B.C.

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



SPECIAL RESERVE

R.C.A.F. Special Reserve  
Interview Report

J. A. T. P. CANADA

Air Crew

~~Not Flying~~  
~~Technical~~  
~~Equipment Accounts~~  
~~Pilot~~  
~~Observer~~  
Wireless Op. Air  
Air Gunner

SURNAME	CHRISTIAN NAMES IN FULL	Age	20
LAMONT,	James	Height	5.8 $\frac{1}{2}$
ACADEMIC STANDING:		Weight	150
		Married or Single	Single
		Noted or Other	

2 yrs. High School, Abbotsford, B.C.

FLYING HISTORY (PARTICULARLY DURING LAST YEAR)

None

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING (INCLUDING MILITARY) USEFUL IN THE R.C.A.F.

Farming, logging, Garage attendant and mechanic

SPORTS:		HOBBIES:	
EXTENSIVELY: Lacrosse MODERATELY: Football <del>OCCASIONALLY:</del>		-----	
APPEARANCE:	HEALTHY-RUGGED- <del>SLIM</del> <del>THIN</del> -MEDIUM-SHORT <del>REFINED</del> -ORDINARY- <del>CORSE</del> CLEAN - <del>UNCLEY</del> - <del>DIRTY</del>	DRESS:	<del>FLASHY</del> - <del>PASTEL</del> - <del>CONSERVATIVE</del> <del>POORLY DRESSED</del> - <del>BUT</del> CLEAN AND NEAT-SMART- <del>UNIFORM</del> - <del>CARELESS</del>
INTELLIGENCE:	QUICK - DELIBERATE - <del>SLOW</del> ORGANIZED- <del>ACCURATE</del> - <del>RAMBLING</del>	PERSONALITY:	<del>DOMINEERING</del> -CONFIDENT- <del>SUBMISSIVE</del> -MATURE <del>IMMATURE</del> -PLEASANT <del>MOROSE</del> - <del>INDIFFERENT</del>
SUITABLE IN ALL RESPECTS FOR SERVICE IN R.C.A.F. ....	YES <del>NO</del>	FULLY QUALIFIED IN PERSONAL RESPECTS FOR COMMISSIONED RANK.....	<del>YES</del> NO
INFORMATION ELUCIDATED FROM INVESTIGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.F.M.6/1 Para.1 (b)			

SUMMARY OF ALL OF THE ABOVE:	<del>EXCELLENT</del> <del>ABOVE AVERAGE</del> AVERAGE <del>BELOW AVERAGE</del> (Strike out words not applicable)
Clean cut young country lad. Average intelligence used to hard work. Suitable for W.A.G. 2 yrs. High School, rugged.	RECOMMENDED FOR:
	W.A.G.
	<i>W. E. Jones</i>

DATE: 14-1-41

RECRUITING CENTRE Vancouver, B.C.

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER:

A.F.M.5

R.C.A.F. RECRUITING CENTRE,  
VANCOUVER, B. C.



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NATIONAL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE  
PRODUCED.

(A) Report of Interviewing Officer—

Type.....General appearance.....

Suitability for (state in what capacity).....

Date.....Signature.....Rank.....

(B) Report of Trade Test—

Trade in which tested.....

Result.....

Trade qualifications other than above likely to lead to efficient employment in the R.C.A.F.....

Date.....Signature.....Rank.....

(C)

## DECLARATION MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION

I, James Lamont.....do solemnly declare that the foregoing particulars are true, and I hereby engage to serve on active service anywhere in Canada, and also beyond Canada and overseas, in the Royal Canadian Air Force for the duration of the present war, and for the period of demobilization thereafter, and in any event for a period of not less than one year, provided His Majesty should so long require my services.

Date 5-3-41 19.....  
  
 Signature of Recruit

(D)

## OATH TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION

I, James Lamont.....do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

Date 5-3-41 19.....  
  
 Signature of Recruit

(E)


## CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answers to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided by law.

The above questions and answers were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the Oath before me,

at Vancouver, B.C. this 5th day of March 19 41

  
 Signature of Officer

Rank

RCAF Recruiting Centre,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Unit



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**CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION**

*Part 1. Information obtained from the applicant—*

1. Age 31 2. Have you ever suffered from any of the following defects in health?
- |                                    |           |                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| (a) Rheumatism.....                | <u>no</u> | (j) Nasal Trouble.....             | <u>no</u> |
| (b) Tuberculosis.....              | <u>no</u> | (k) Ear Disease.....               | <u>no</u> |
| (c) Bronchitis or Asthma.....      | <u>no</u> | (l) Eye Disease.....               | <u>no</u> |
| (d) Heart Disease.....             | <u>no</u> | (m) Epilepsy.....                  | <u>no</u> |
| (e) Kidney or Bladder Disease..... | <u>no</u> | (n) Nervous or Mental Disease..... | <u>no</u> |
| (f) Gastro-intestinal.....         | <u>no</u> | (o) Syphilis.....                  | <u>no</u> |
| (g) Rupture.....                   | <u>no</u> | (p) Gonorrhoea.....                | <u>no</u> |
| (h) Varicose Veins.....            | <u>no</u> | (q) Bone Fracture.....             | <u>no</u> |
| (i) Flat or Deformed Feet.....     | <u>no</u> | (r) Other Disease or Defect.....   | <u>no</u> |
3. Have you ever worn glasses?..... no

*James Lemont*  
 Signature of Applicant

Examiner's Remarks re above..... nil

*Part 2. Information obtained by Medical Examination (Applicant must be stripped)—*

1. Identification marks or scars (if operative obtain history).....  
small mole back of neck.
2. Height 5 feet 7 1/2 inches. 3. Weight..... 138 pounds.
4. Complexion..... medium 5. Color of Eyes..... Blue Hair..... Brown
6. Development  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Good} \\ \text{Fair} \\ \text{Poor} \end{array} \right.$  7. Chest Measurement—Full expiration..... 35 inches  
 Range of expansion..... 2 inches
8. Hearing—Right..... WU 20' Left..... WU 20' Tympana—Right..... N Left..... N
9. Vision—Without glasses—Right..... 20/20 With glasses—Right.....  
 Left..... 20/20 Left.....
10. Condition of mouth and teeth..... acceptable
11. Urine—Albumen..... neg Sugar..... neg.
12. Abnormalities (Congenital and Pathological) found on Examination.....  
nil

*Part 3. The Candidate has been examined in accordance with the pamphlet, "Physical Standards and Instructions for the Medical Examination of Recruits" and he is considered fit for Category*

B1B  
A3B

Any special remarks of the Medical Officers.....

4-3-41 X-ray (chest) Neg.

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Ishihara -

Reflexes - N  
-B-p. - 134/78

Date..... 5-3- 19 41

W. J. Kemp  
 President

J. F. Arthur  
 Member

Member



SPECIAL RESERVE

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

(ATTESTATION PAPER)

(Pages one and two, only, are to be completed in Applicant's own Handwriting)

1. Surname Lamont FULL Christian Names James

2. Present Address Albertford B.C. Telephone

3. Permanent Address Albertford B.C.

4. Place of Birth Galeshill, Coventry, England Citizenship Canadian (British)

5. Date of Birth April 11th 1910 ~~Married, Single, Widower, Separated, Divorced~~ Single

6. Particulars of Children

Name	Date of birth	Name	Date of birth
<u>N.A.</u>			

7. Occupation mechanic 8. Religion Protestant Anglican  
State denomination

9. Languages English

10. Next of Kin (Full Name) John Lamont Relationship Father  
" Address Albertford B.C.

11. Father (Full Name) John Lamont Birthplace Scotland Kirkcudbright  
" Address Albertford B.C. Citizenship (British) Canadian  
" Occupation Labourer

12. Mother (Full Maiden Name) Mary Osborne Birthplace Glenormick, Scotland  
" Address Albertford B.C. Citizenship (British) Canadian

13. Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service:

Unit	Place	Rank	Trade	Date From To	Reason for discharge
<u>N.A.</u>				<u>MAR 14 1941</u>	

14. Honours, Awards, Mentions none

15. Are you now on any Naval, Military or Air Force Reserve? no

16. Have you previously made application to join the R.C.A.F.? no If so, where? N.A.  
When? N.A. Result N.A.

17. Were you ever discharged from any branch of His Majesty's Forces as Medically Unfit? no  
If so, state nature of disability N.A.

18. Have you ever been or are you now in receipt of a Disability Pension? no  
If so, state nature of Disability na.

19. Have you ever been convicted of an indictable offence? no If so state nature N.A.

20. Are you in debt? no If so, state particulars N.A.

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21. Particulars of Education:

	Name of school	Date		Courses—Subjects, etc.
		From	To	
Primary Education—Public or Separate School.....	Albion School	1928	1934	General
High School—Collegiate Institute, etc.....	Albion High	1934	1936	Leading to Metric
Technical School .....				
University or School other than above.....				
Correspondence Courses, etc.....				

22. Particulars of all Civil Occupations (in full):

Employer and place	Duties, trades, positions	Date		Reason for leaving
		From	To	
Father	Logging	1936	1938	better job.
Clinton Motors	mechanic & repairer	1938	1939	better job
Bill Combs.	swamper	1939	date	still employed.

23. Flying Experience (in Hours) Solo..... none Dual..... None Passenger..... None

24. Special Qualifications, Hobbies, etc., useful to the R.C.A.F..... knowledge of engines

25. Sports engaged in. State: extensively, moderately, occasionally..... Lacrosse (ne)  
football (ad).

26. AIR FORCE DUTY you wish to enlist for ~~Ground Duties.~~  
Flying Duties.  
If for Ground Duties, state Air Force trade in which you wish to enlist.....  
If for Flying Duties, state preference as (a) Pilot, (b) Observer; (c) Air Gunner (d) Wireless Operator (Air Crew).  
(Cross out words not applicable.)

27. Names of at least two persons who can give references as to character and ability.

Name	Address	Occupation
George Sales	B.C. Police. Alb.	Captain (A.C.M.)
Bruce McTavish	Clinton Motors Clinton	Garage Owner.
Mr. Burton.	Principal	High School.

28. Other information that may have any bearing on this application..... None.

29. Do you understand that vaccination, re-vaccination and inoculation are compulsory?..... yes

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing information furnished by me is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date..... Jan 14th 1941 Signature..... James Lamont



AIR  
FORCE

R37502

LAMONT,

JAMES

SURNAME

FULL CHRISTIAN NAMES

ENLISTMENT

RE-ENLISTMENT

C.R. FILE  
NUMBER

PLACE

DATE

Vancouver

5-3-41

R.C.A.F. FORM R. 44 (B)

J.39103

OFFICER

RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

7. BIRTH: DATE PLACE CITIZENSHIP

11-4-20 Faleshill, British

FATHER (FULL NAME) John Lamont

BIRTHPLACE Kirkcubright Scot.

MOTHER (FULL MAIDEN NAME) Mary Colone Hynd

BIRTHPLACE Glasgow Scot.

8. EDUCATIONAL STANDING

HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE X DG

JUNIOR MATRICULATION 2ys DG

SENIOR MATRICULATION

TECHNICAL SCHOOL

UNIVERSITY

CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

9. CIVIL OCCUPATIONS OR EXPERIENCE USEFUL TO R.C.A.F.

Logging 2ys 1936-38 (Lester)

Mechanic &amp; Garage attendant 2ys 1938-39

Swampen 2ys (Bell) 1939

2802

10. PREVIOUS ARMY, NAVY OR AIR FORCE SERVICE

Nil

11. HONOURS-AWARDS, MENTIONS

Air Gunner's Badge 51341833 2-2-42.

M. I. D. AFR01380

G.O.S. M. DA168

G.O.S. DA168

12. FLYING EXPERIENCE ON ENLISTMENT (HOURS)

SOLO — DUAL — PASSENGER —

13. RELIGION Anglican

14. LANGUAGES English

15. SPORTS Lurese football

16. SINGLE-MARRIED-WIDOWER-SEPARATED-DIVORCED: Single

WIFE (FULL MAIDEN NAME)

PLACE OF MARRIAGE DATE

AUTHORITY (IF AFTER ENLISTMENT)

17. MARRIED ESTABLISHMENT

REMARKS

RANK

EFFECTIVE

D.R.O.

18. CHILDREN

CHRISTIAN NAMES

BIRTH DATE

D.R.O.

CHRISTIAN NAMES

BIRTH DATE

D.R.O.

19. NEXT OF KIN (ADDRESS AND D.R.O. IN PENCIL)

FULL NAME: John Lamont

ADDRESS: 2175 East Hastings St Vancouver B.C.

FULL NAME:

ADDRESS:

20. PAY ENTRIES (OFFENCE FORFEITURES, STOPPAGES IN RED INK)

RATE CHANGES ETC.

EFFECTIVE

D.R.O.

RATE CHANGES ETC.

EFFECTIVE

D.R.O.

1 day pay 5 3 41 0%14

1 day sub. allow

Stoppage of pay (12) 49. 49.

21. ENGAGEMENTS

TERM EFFECTIVE D.R.O.

Duration 5 3 41

22. TEMPORARY DUTY AND MISCELLANEOUS ENTRIES

FROM TO DATE D.R.O.

Occ up Public Qtrs. 16-3-41 2MD65

Attached to 15 S.T. Chas. Holm 30-4-41 45C107

Cease to be attached to 15 S.T. for duty 14-6-41 47C141

Occ pub qtrs draw ltr 21-7-41 2ND 171

Deserved 2 LSW 012535 241300

Occ pub qtrs and drawing 3-1-42 5B 47-

S 2 I W # C67431 30-1-42 5B 32

Occ pub qtrs drawing 16-2-42 17250

attached to 15 S.T. for duty 2-3-42 113B 3

Spl leave 4W No 24490 30-5-42 48142

attached for rates 12-10-42 48 279

Date and Place of Signing R40-

W.C. Abbott 40

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23. DOCUMENT CONTROL (INDICATE RECEIPT BY DATE)

R60 R79 B465 X-RAY A.M-13 IDN.CARD

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LANONT,

JANE S

SURNAME

FULL CHRISTIAN NAMES

RE-ENLISTMENT

Vancouver

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

5-3-41

C.R. FILE  
NUMBER

BER

J. 39103

OFFICER

# RECORD OF SERVICE AIRMEN

R.C.A.F. FORM R44(B)  
50M-10-40 (7685)  
H.Q. 1062-3-58

Land 23-9-43.

[illegible]



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**SPECIAL RESERVE**

Abbotsford, B.C.

January 22nd, 1941.

TO WHM IT MAY CONCERN:-

This is to certify that I George H.  
Soles know James Lamont, of Abbotsford, B.C. and he is of  
good character.

*G.H. Soles*  
G.H. Soles,



B.F. DATE 7 Aug

~~OFFICIALLY PRESUMED DEAD~~

J-39103  
NO. R97502 RANK WO2 NAME LAMONT, JAMES

UNIT R.C.A.F. GANDER EFF. DATE 20/Oct/43 D.C.L. #784d/3/Aug/44.

MFW2643 rec'd N.A. E.236 DEFICIENCY LIST na

STN. FILE rec'd 14-8-44 M.10 (INCLUDING M13) ✓ mg

M.10 to DMS (AIR) N.A. MFB465a DENTAL ENV. ✓ mg  
(Natural Death only)

DEATH CERTIFICATE ✓ mg

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31-8-44



## Royal Canadian Air Force

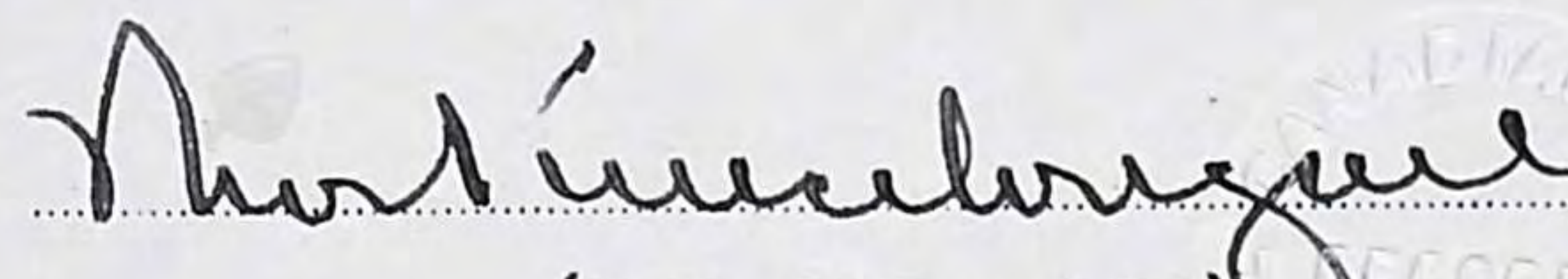
### CERTIFICATE OF PRESUMPTION OF DEATH NO. 9296

**This is to Certify that**

J39103 PILOT OF FICER JAMES LAMONT R.C.A.F.  
(Number) (Rank) (Name in Full) (Unit)

has been officially reported as missing since the 20TH day  
of OCTOBER, 1943, and that, full inquiries having been  
made, no information has been received which would indicate that he may be still alive.  
For official purposes, therefore, he is presumed to have died on or since the above  
mentioned date

Dated at Ottawa, Canada, this 27TH day of JULY 194 4

  
(T.K. McDougall)  
Group Captain  
R.C.A.F. Records Officer.

RECORDS OFFICE