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CANADIAN VIRTUAL WAR MEMORIAL

In memory of:

Ordinary Seaman Simon Joseph Thibodeau

January 22, 1942

Military Service

V/2555 **Service Number:**

20 Age:

Force: Navy

Unit: Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer

Reserve

Division: H.M.C.S. Andre' Dupre'

Additional Information

Son of Henry Thibodeau, and of Gertrude Thibodeau, of Saint John, New Brunswick.

Commemorated on <u>Page 119</u> of the <u>Second World War Book of Remembrance</u>. <u>Request a copy</u> of this page.

Burial Information

Cemetery:

HALIFAX MEMORIAL Nova Scotia, Canada

Grave Reference:

Panel 9.

Location:

The HALIFAX MEMORIAL in Nova Scotia's capital, erected in Point Pleasant Park, is one of the few tangible reminders of the men who died at sea. Twenty-four ships were lost by the Royal Canadian Navy in the Second World War and nearly 2,000 members of the RCN lost their lives. This Memorial was erected by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and was unveiled in November 1967 with naval ceremony by H.P. MacKeen, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, in the presence of R. Teillet, then Minister of Veterans Affairs. The monument is a great granite Cross of Sacrifice over 12 metres high, clearly visible to all ships approaching Halifax. The cross is mounted on a large podium bearing 23 bronze panels upon which are inscribed the names of over 3,000 Canadian men and women who were buried at sea. The dedicatory inscription, in French and English, reads as follows:

1914-1939 1918-1945 IN THE HONOUR OF THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE NAVY ARMY AND MERCHANT NAVY
OF CANADA
WHOSE NAMES
ARE INSCRIBED HERE
THEIR GRAVES ARE UNKNOWN
BUT THEIR MEMORY
SHALL ENDURE.

On June 19, 2003, the Government of Canada designated September 3rd of each year as a day to acknowledge the contribution of Merchant Navy Veterans.

1 Information courtesy of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

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