



Edward (Ned) Lloyd Snow
World War II
Royal Navy
Service No. 174362

Born: 12 June 1921

Died: 1985

Edward (Ned) was born to parents Philip and May Snow of Bay Roberts in 1921. At the time, Ned was the second child of the family that over time would grow to include five boys (Sutherland, Edward, Warren, Raymond and Philip) and a girl (Etta).

Over the course of WW II three of the boys would service in one form or another and one, Sutherland, would be lost at sea at the age of 22 with sinking of the S.S. *Darcolia*.

Ned enlisted in the Newfoundland Navy and subsequently transferred to the Royal Navy as seaman, service No. 174362. Ned was a member of the 1st Naval Contingent that left Newfoundland on November 27th, 1939, and arrived in Liverpool,

England, via Halifax on December 15th, 1939, just before Christmas.



Ned with Graham Bursey

One of the fortunate ones, Ned survived the war, returned to his native Bay Roberts, however he had a wife with him. He had met and Married Margaret (see information on second page) while in Scotland and now they were to begin their life together.

They moved to Toronto and raised their family there. Edward died in 1985 and is buried in Pine Hills Cemetery, Scarborough, ON. Margaret died on 13 March 2000 and is buried next to her husband. On the third and forth pages are clippings from The Bay Roberts Guardian newspaper that mention Edward.



October 26, 1922 - March 13, 2000

Celebrating the life of **MARGARET RAMSAY (WATSON) SNOW**



Margaret was born in Glasgow, Scotland on October 26, 1922 to Janet Craig Harvey Watson and James Watson. She had two older sisters, Jenny and Jessie, and four younger siblings John, Barbara, Helen and James.

As a child she was very close to her Dad and deemed to be his favourite.

She certainly inherited his sense of humour.

On leaving school at 14 years old, she had several jobs in her trade of fancy box making.

At 18 she was called up for service in the 2nd World War and joined the W.A.A.F. (Women's Auxiliary Air Force).

She served her country for almost 5 years and during that time she met a young British navy sailor from

Newfoundland, Edward Snow. Their courtship was interrupted by long periods of separation as Ed was assigned to the Pacific for almost 5 years. In 1945 war ended and Ed returned to Glasgow where they married later that year. In early 1946, Margaret, along with thousands of other war brides, left Scotland and headed for Canada.

Life in Newfoundland was very different. This led to their decision to move to Toronto, where they settled in the east end of the city. Ed got a job with Brinks Security and they started raising a family.

Later on, Margaret worked for Eatons for many years. Sadly, in 1985 Ed passed away.

Her loving family includes 7 children: Janette (lives in Scotland), Sud, Ed, Denise, Marylyn, Margo and Steven; as well as several grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

She touched the lives of many people along the way with her outgoing personality and warmth and made many friends in the area.

Margaret will always be remembered as smiling and good natured, in good times as well as bad.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou prepares a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. Psalm 23

07 November 1942

RECEPTION TENDERED EDWARD L. SNOW, A.B.

The young people of the United Church tendered a reception in Snowden Hall on Friday night in honor of Able Seaman Edward L. Snow of the Royal Navy, who is home on leave. Other guests were Seamen Graham Bursey and Pat Connolly. During the evening several games were indulged in after which Rev. J. L. Reynolds on behalf of the gathering, made a presentation to Seaman Snow, who made a very appropriate reply. A good time was enjoyed by all present. Refreshments were served by the young ladies.

12 June 1943

Today, June 12th, Able Seaman Edward L. Snow of the Royal Navy celebrates his 22nd birthday, and his 3rd year overseas. Edward spent his leave at his home here during November and December of last year. Since returning to the United Kingdom he has received his three year service stripe. In letters recently received by his mother, he says he is in the best of health and that he receives The Guardian regularly; also cigarettes from the Comforts Committee.

19 February 1944

RECEPTION FOR BOYS ON LEAVE

A reception was held in the Public Building here on Thursday night in honor of Seaman Edward L. Snow, Robert Mercer and P/O Wilfred Parsons of Shearstown, members of the Royal Navy who are now spending their leave here with relatives and friends, and also Seaman Stephen Foster, R.N., of Newcastle, England.

Mr. Beth Mercer was chairman and Capt. L.T. Stick, Master of Ceremonies. Short addresses were given by Rev. J. L. Reynolds, Major Pretty, Rev. Torraville, Mr. J. Ploughman and Mr. E. V. Hall. The hall was filled to capacity, showing the esteem these lads are held in the community.

Gifts of money and comforts were presented to each of the boys by Mrs. (Rev.) Reynolds, Vice-Pres. of the W.P.A., who spoke in very high terms of our noble boys who are risking their all for us, to which the boys ably responded.

Refreshments were then served to which all present took part and thoroughly enjoyed the gathering. The music for the evening was kindly rendered by Mrs. Bert Hillyard.

A most enjoyable evening was brought to a close with the singing of The National Anthem.

12 Feb 1944

NOTICE

A reception will be held in the Public Building on Thursday night, Feb. 17, in honor of A|B Edward L. Snow, R.N., who is now home on leave. F|O Gerald Ploughman, R.A.F. is also expected home and if he should arrive, will also be present.

Will all members of the W.P. A. kindly come forward and help in the usual way.

17 June 1944

A|B E. L. Snow celebrated his 22nd birthday on June 13th. This is his 5th birthday overseas. He is now serving on one of Britain's newest aircraft carriers, H.M.S. Indomitable.

10 February 1945

LEADING SEAMAN—

A|B Edward L. Snow, R.N., has recently been promoted to Leading Seaman and is at present doing duty in the Indian Ocean on H.M. Aircraft Carrier "Indomitable", which recently figured in a major naval engagement in the Burma campaign.