



George Brown
Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland)
Royal Navy
Service No. D/JX174387
World War II

Born: 16 Dec 1919

Died: 10 July 1978 (Age 58)

Place of Birth: Shearstown, Bay Roberts, Newfoundland

Parents: George and Margaret “Maggie” (Russell) Brown

According to the 1921 Newfoundland general census, George is listed as being one (1) year old. His dad, George sr. was twenty-seven (27) and mother “Maggie” twenty-six (26). He has three (3) siblings, William 7, Edward 3, and Mary 3. They are living in Shearstown, Newfoundland. The community of Shearstown is now officially part of the town of Bay Roberts.

The Brown family is not found in the next Newfoundland census of 1935. It seems that sometime between 1921 and 1930, they moved to New Brunswick. It was here in September of 1930, that George’s mother passed away. She is buried in the Salvation Army Cemetery at (Cat Hills) Bay Roberts.

At nineteen (19), George enlisted in the Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland) and subsequently became part of the Royal Navy of Great Britain. In Fact, George was one of the two hundred (200) men who were shipped overseas on the 27th of November 1939 as part of the First (1st) Naval Contingent to be sent. They arrived at Liverpool, England by way of Halifax, Nova Scotia on December 15th, 1939. The transporting vessel was the **RMS Newfoundland**.



- **RMS Newfoundland** (1925–40) Royal Mail Ship
- **HMHS Newfoundland** (?–1943) His Majesty’s Hospital Ship
- Sunk in 1943 in German air attack off southern Italy.

George was stationed at Devonport, his home designated Port for his time in service.

George next appears in Manchester, New Hampshire, USA on 03 January 1945, where he married Mildred Viola Dixon.

According to record, they did not have any children.

George passed away on 10 Jul 1978 and is buried at Mountain View Cemetery, Vancouver, British Columbia. He is listed as being single at his time of death.