



GEORGE H TUCKER

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George Henry Tucker was born on the 24th of November 1884 in Port de Grave.

George re-enlisted in the Royal Naval Reserve (Newfoundland) as a qualified (ordinary) seaman on March 10th, 1913. He already had training as a seaman aboard the training ship to the reserve Calypso. Having had previous training, George was automatically issued a new certificate R.V. 2N.

When he enlisted, George was already married to his wife Winnifred, from the next-door community known as Pick Eyes. They had a daughter Edna, who was born in 1910. At 29, George was already an able seaman perhaps from his work on the ocean. George was one of the earlier recruits as his service number of 892X indicates. He was rather small man in stature by today's

standard being only 5ft. 7 inches tall but in 1913, he was one of the taller men to enlist.

Georges enlisted for a five-year period and in that period, we know he served:

1. The Calypso (training vessel)
2. The Virginian
3. The Bristol
4. The Caesar
5. The Vivid III (on two separate occasions)
6. The Briton (Training vessel, formerly the Calypso)

He was demobilized in May 1919.

The 1921 Newfoundland Census shows George, now 36, back home in Ship Cove (Port de Grave) and notes fishing as his occupation. The family had then grown to four children, 3 boys and a girl. Edna born in 1910: Albert in 1912: Ronald in 1914 and Walter in 1920.

George died a relatively young man at the age of 48 in 1932. He is buried in St. Luke's Old Cemetery in Port de Grave.

Upon further review, it is believed that George's family may have moved to the St. John's area, but this is simply a theory supported only by the discovery of two gravesites at Mount Pleasant Cemetery (St. John's).

Of George's three sons, the possible location of two with the correct name, Albert and Walter and birth years gives some credence to this notion.