

## **The Merchant Marines**

Unsung heroes of the terrible Wars.  
Delivered supplies to Europe,  
Critical help from our Canadian shores.

The treacherous Atlantic waters are where they sailed,  
They weren't always recognized as veterans,  
But now their stories have prevailed.

They had the highest casualties of the Canadian Corps.  
They sacrificed it all for strangers,  
Always willing to sail once more.

Hundreds of sunken ships underneath the dark waves,  
No fields full of poppies to show where they lay.  
The mariners left to their watery graves.

Without their heroic assists in victory,  
Canada's freedom as we know it,  
Would have been history.

- By Nolan MacNeil