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My father joined the Royal Canadian Navy and he, my mother and I (age 2) emigrated here to start a new life. My father had been with the British Merchant Navy and hardly got to see my mother and I. He would go to sea for 6 months, be home for a week, maybe 2 and then leave for another 6 months. The Canadian Navy was a much better life for our family. The longest my Dad would be away would be 3 months at a time. When we arrived in Halifax, February 1962 it was in the middle of a snow storm. We weren't use to snow, didn't have adequate clothing and nearly turned around and went back home. But I'm glad my parents decided to stay. I'm very proud to be a Canadian. I have travelled far and wide around this world and I firmly believe that "there's no place like home".