



Dear Constituent,

As we approach November 11th this year, I am asking constituents to remember Canada's mission to Afghanistan.

In November 2010, Canada announced a new role for its continued engagement in Afghanistan to 2014. Our goal is to help Afghans rebuild Afghanistan into a viable country that is better governed, more stable and secure, and never again a safe haven for terrorists.

There is no question that our involvement was the right thing to do. My concern continues to be for those soldiers who sustained injuries. Not since the Korean War had Canada made such an overseas commitment to world peace and stability as we did in Afghanistan.

Much of what we learned previously has to be re-learned. This process is on-going. The good news is that advances in medical know-how means that injuries can be successfully treated to help re-integrate military members into society at large. Afghanistan is in transition, hopefully for the better.

Honouring our Soldiers

We stand in honour of our soldiers and civilian professionals who were injured while serving in Afghanistan, as well as those who deployed to Afghanistan in support of Canada's mission or who provided support to the engagement from home. Canadians also stand in honour of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

The sorrow of losing sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, and fathers and mothers is beyond words. The dedication of our soldiers and civilian professionals, their heroism, and the sacrifice of their lives to protect and improve the lives of the Afghan people will always be remembered and honoured.

This November 11th, as we remember all who have made sacrifices, let us not forget our most recent conflict. The legacy of their courage and the impact of their effort cannot be ignored.

To the families of the fallen, who are now living with unimaginable grief and loss, you will forever be in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Gallant, MP
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REMEMBERING THE FALLEN

Remembering All Those From CFB Petawawa Who Gave Their Lives in the Service of Our Country in Afghanistan.

Find links to more online at
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YOUR VOICE

Should the permanent location of the Afghanistan Memorial be in Petawawa?

Return the survey by mail or vote online at
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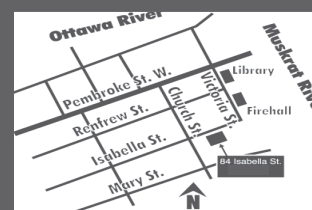
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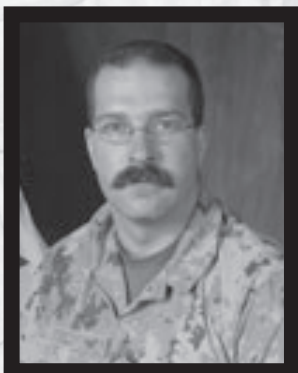
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MONDAY TO FRIDAY
10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.



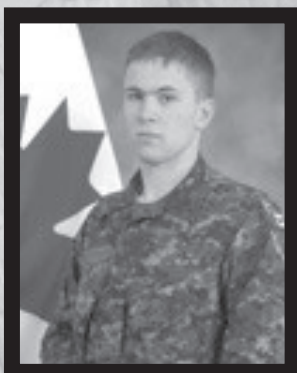
REMEMBERING ALL THOSE FROM IN THE SERVICE OF **OUR COUNTRY**



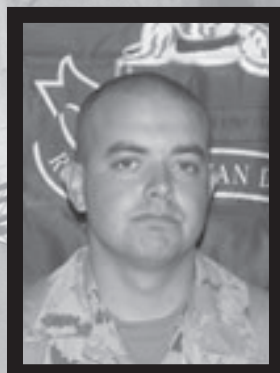
Corporal Glen Arnold, CD
2 Field Ambulance
September 18th, 2006



Corporal Robbie Beerenfenger
3rd Battalion, RCR
October 2nd, 2003



Trooper Jack Bouthillier
Royal Canadian Dragoons, 3RCR
March 20th, 2009



Trooper Darryl Caswell
Royal Canadian Dragoons
June 11th, 2007



Corporal Tyler Crooks
3rd Battalion, RCR
March 20th, 2009



Private William Cushley
1st Battalion, RCR
September 3rd, 2006



Trooper Marc Diab
Royal Canadian Dragoons, 3RCR
March 8th, 2009



Corporal Matthew Dinning
2 Military Police Platoon
April 22nd, 2006



Private Demetrios Diplaros
1st Battalion, RCR
December 5th, 2008



Private Michael Freeman
3rd Battalion, RCR
December 26th, 2008



Master Corporal Kristal Giesebrecht
1 Canadian Field Hospital
June 26th, 2010



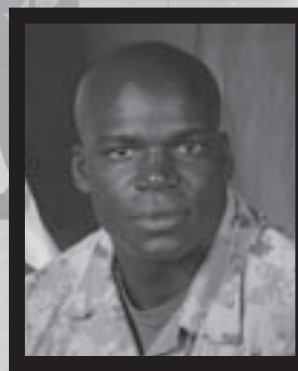
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Royal Canadian Dragoons
October 3rd, 2006



Chief Warrant Officer Robert Girouard, CD
1st Battalion, RCR
November 27th, 2006



Trooper Brian Good
3rd Battalion, RCR
January 7th, 2009



Private Mark Graham
1st Battalion, RCR
September 4th, 2006



Sapper Sean Greenfield
24 Field Engineer Squadron, 2
Combat Engineer Regiment, 3RCR
January 31st, 2009



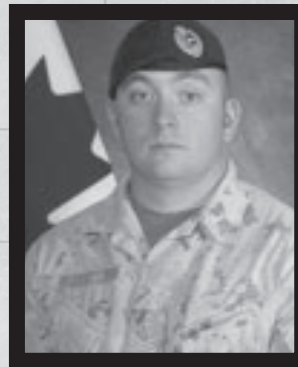
Trooper Corey Hayes
Royal Canadian Dragoons, 3RCR
March 20th, 2009



Private Josh Klukie
1st Battalion, RCR
September 29th, 2006



Sergeant Gregory Kruse
Combat Engineer Regiment,
3RCR
December 27th, 2008



Sergeant James MacNeil
2 Combat Engineer Regiment
June 21st, 2010



Corporal Matthew McCully
2 Canadian Mechanized Brigade
Group HQ & Signals Squadron
May 25th, 2007



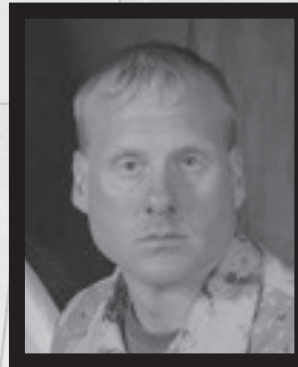
Corporal Mark McLaren
1st Battalion, RCR
December 5th, 2008



Warrant Officer Frank Mellish, CD
1st Battalion, RCR
September 3rd, 2006



Private Andrew Miller
2 Field Ambulance
June 26th, 2010



Corporal Robert Mitchell
Royal Canadian Dragoons
October 3rd, 2006

CFB PETAWAWA WHO **GAVE THEIR LIVES** IN AFGHANISTAN



Corporal Jamie Murphy
1st Battalion, RCR
January 27th, 2004



Warrant Officer Richard Nolan, CD
1st Battalion, RCR
September 3rd, 2006



Corporal Kenneth O'Quinn
2 Canadian Mechanized Brigade
Group HQ & Signals Squadron
March 3rd, 2009



Trooper Patrick Pentland
Royal Canadian Dragoons
April 11th, 2007



Master Corporal Francis Roy
Canadian Special Operations
Regiment
June 25th, 2011



Major Raymond Ruckpaul
Armoured Division, Royal
Canadian Dragoons
August 29th, 2007



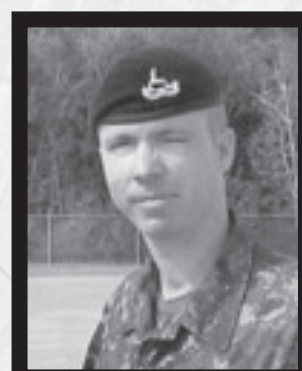
Trooper Larry Rudd
Royal Canadian Dragoons
May 24th, 2010



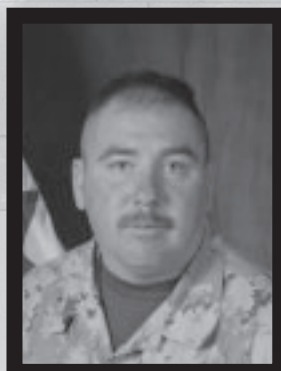
Sergeant Robert Short
3rd Battalion, RCR
October 2nd, 2003



Sergeant Shane Stachnik
2 Combat Engineer Regiment
September 3rd, 2006



Master Corporal Allen Stewart
Royal Canadian Dragoons
April 11th, 2007



Corporal Albert Storm, CD
1st Battalion, RCR
November 27th, 2006



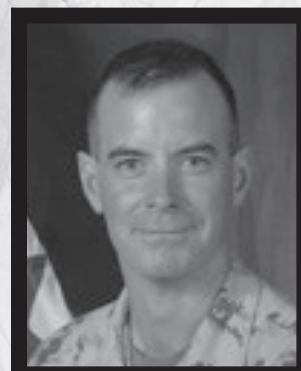
Sergeant Darcy Tedford, CD
1st Battalion, RCR
October 14th, 2006



Master Corporal Scott Vernelli
3rd Battalion, RCR
March 20th, 2009



Private Blake Williamson
1st Battalion, RCR
October 14th, 2006



Trooper Mark Wilson
Royal Canadian Dragoons
October 7th, 2006



Warrant Officer Robert Wilson
1st Battalion, RCR
December 5th, 2008

SHOULD THE PERMANENT LOCATION OF THE AFGHANISTAN MEMORIAL BE IN PETAWAWA?

YES

NO

(Please Print)

Name

Address

City / Town

Postal Code

Email

Military Valour Decorations awarded to CFB Petawawa Soldiers for their heroic actions in Afghanistan

Star of Military Valour

The Star of Military Valour is awarded for distinguished and valiant service in the presence of the enemy.

- ⌘ Private Jess Randall Larochelle
- ⌘ Corporal Jeremy Pinchin
- ⌘ Corporal Sean Teal
- ⌘ 2 Unnamed members of the
- ⌘ Canadian Special Operations Regiment (SCOR)

Medal of Military Valour

The Medal of Military Valour is awarded for an act of valour or devotion to duty in the presence of the enemy.

- ⌘ Corporal Richard L. Anderson
- ⌘ Captain A. Collette
- ⌘ Private Shane Aaron Bradley Dolmovic
- ⌘ Corporal Jason Funnell
- ⌘ Corporal Dave Gionet
- ⌘ Master Bombardier Adam Holmes
- ⌘ Master Corporal Jeremy Joseph James Leblanc
- ⌘ Corporal Mark Robert McLaren (Posthumous)
- ⌘ Master Corporal Paul Mitchell
- ⌘ Master Corporal Sean Hubert Niefer
- ⌘ Private Michael Patrick O'Rourke
- ⌘ Corporal Joshua O'Toole
- ⌘ Corporal Clinton John Orr
- ⌘ Private Jay James Renaud
- ⌘ Corporal Joseph Jason Lee Ruffolo
- ⌘ Master Corporal David Richard Tedford
- ⌘ Master Corporal Michael Trauner
- ⌘ Sergeant Graham Verrier
- ⌘ 1 Unnamed member of the
- ⌘ Canadian Special Operations Regiment (SCOR)

Canada's Approach in Afghanistan

Our approach upon becoming the Government of Canada was to ensure that never again, would Canadian soldiers be asked to put their lives on the line for their country without the proper equipment. After a decade of darkness under the old government, we set out to support the Army's need to get the right equipment with our Canada First Defence Policy. Decisions such as acquiring tracked vehicles like tanks which save lives were made because it was the right thing to do.

The reason for Canada's decision to engage in the UN-sanctioned, NATO-led military mission in Afghanistan is clear: the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the United States represented an armed aggression against all members of NATO. These assaults killed 2,977 innocent civilians, including 24 Canadians. Those who perpetrated this act of violence, namely Osama bin Laden and Al-Qaeda, did so with impunity from within Afghanistan under the Taliban regime.

Progress in Afghanistan over the last ten years, and particularly between 2008 and 2011, has not been easy and progress itself has not always been steady, but Canada has made a difference in the lives of the Afghan people, especially in Kandahar, the birthplace of the Taliban and the heart of the insurgency.

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