

VETERANS' WEEK
November 5-11
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Dear Friends.

Veterans' Week, November 5 to 11, is a time for all Canadians to honour the selfless dedication of those who have served in times of war, military conflict and peace. We also honour those who continue to serve our country around the world. These men and women are upholding a noble Canadian tradition by taking an active role in bringing stability and peace to parts of the world that have seen turmoil and upheaval.

During Veterans' Week 2009, Canadians from coast to coast to coast will show pride and gratitude for our Veterans as events and activities take place across the country in their honour. All Canadians, especially youth, are urged to take an active role in remembrance. There are many ways to get involved. Talk to a Veteran. Visit our cenotaph. Read a book on our Veterans' great sacrifices and achievements. Attend the Remembrance Day ceremony in Windsor and bring a family member, friend or neighbour.

When Canadians participate in commemorative events, we take up the torch of remembrance. As a result, we can rest assured that future generations will continue to commemorate those who helped shape Canada as a nation.

Yours truly,

Bian Mose

Right: Brian Masse M.P. remembers at the Windsor cenotaph.

Teachers and parents, did you know that there are educational resources available to help you and your children learn about and remember Canada's role in the world?

There are postcards to send to our soldiers in Afghanistan, interactive games, recipes, and more! You can download information online at: www.vac.gc.ca or call my constituency office at (519) 255-1631 and we will get this information to you at your request.

Lest we forget.

You're invited!

Join our local veterans to remember at Windsor City Hall Square Cenotaph this Wednesday, November 11, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

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## REMEMBERING OUR LOCAL HEROES

## **LORRAINE LABUTE**(nee RYAN)

Canadian Women's Army Corps—W 1544

## **QUARTER MASTER STORES**

Lorraine served in the Canadian Women's Army Corps from December 1942 to 1945. She completed her basic Training in Kitchener Ontario. From there she was stationed in London, Ontario in the Quarter Master Stores where she handed out supplies to the Service men going over seas and collected the supplies as the men came back.

She was also stationed in Ipperwash, Ontario in the Canteen where she served sandwiches, soft drinks, cigarettes and other items that were needed.

Lorraine Labute was discharged in 1945.





## INTERESTING CANADIAN FACTS FROM WORLD WAR II

- By September 1939, more than 58,000 Canadian men and women had volunteered to serve in the Canadian Forces;
- Canadian soldiers formed the main assault force for the raid on Dieppe, where more than 900 Canadians were killed and almost 2,000 were taken prisoner;
- Approximately 14,000 Canadians landed at Normandy on D-Day;
- The 1st Canadian Army was instrumental in the Liberation of Holland in May 1945;
- More than 1 million Canadians served in the Second World War and approximately 45,000 gave their lives;
- Canada's Navy was the third largest in the Allied Forces, and our Air force was the fourth largest;
- By the end of WWII, Canada's Navy with more than 113,000 personnel included approximately 7000 women.

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