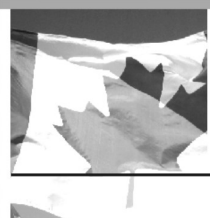


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Let It Never Be Forgotten

and the Canadians came to answer the call leaving the homeland unthreatened and safe undeniably courageous a strength bestowed with unshakable pride through two world wars and conflicts since liberating for others dreams of freedom unfaltering in conviction let it never be forgotten such sacrifices of blood and spirit

Kevin V. Harvey
Windsor

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 in Afghanistan and other areas of conflict. 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 2007, Canadians from 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. Or, attend the Remembrance Day ceremony. 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.

To the left you will see a poem titled "Let It Never Be Forgotten", a reflection about our Veterans and Canada's commitment to the world. It is written by local poet Kevin Harvey from his new book **So Far....** His book includes additional poems about our heroes' actions, and other interesting topics. Email Kevin if you have comments on his poem or want to obtain a copy of his book (kvh@sympatico.ca). Thank you Kevin for sharing your poem with all of us.

Yours truly,

Brian Masse, MP (Windsor West)



War Memorial at
City Hall Square in Windsor

Celebrate. Honour. Remember. Thank. Teach.

This November 11, 2007 at Windsor City

Hall Square Cenotaph at 11:00a.m.

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STORIES FROM OUR LOCAL HEROES

Wayne Hillman

Wayne Hillman was born, raised and educated in Windsor, where he was a member of the Army Cadets and later a member of the E & K Scottish.

Wayne joined the United States Army on January 7th, 1963 where he spent 16 weeks of basic and advanced infantry training at Fort Gordon, Georgia to gain paratrooper classification and his jump wings. From there he was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.



He vividly recalls the day President Kennedy was killed, and his unit was airlifted to Dallas, Texas to prevent any problems that might occur. Wayne was on leave visiting his wife and newborn son when he received the call that he would have to return to camp and be deployed to Vietnam. This was one of the most important decisions he would have to make in his life, to stay in Canada with his wife, not ever being allowed to enter back into the U.S. or to return for duty.

Wayne's new battalion left for Vietnam aboard the USS Geiger and arrived in September 1965. His duties included being a radio operator, a door gunner bringing ammunition and other supplies to the battlefield and airlifting any casualties. The 4 months he served in Vietnam changed his life forever and he will always be grateful to his comrades who helped through this difficult time.

Currently Wayne is involved with the Vietnam Veterans, Royal Canadian Legion and the Windsor Veterans Memorial Services Committee making sure that Veterans of all wars receive the respect and care they deserve.



The **Books of Remembrance** contain the names of Canadians who fought in wars and died either during or after them. All the books are kept in the Memorial Chamber located in the Peace Tower on Parliament Hill. The purpose of creating a site that displays these books on the Internet is to make them more accessible to the public. Quite aptly named are these testaments to Canada's past, for by their very title they remind us to never forget the foundations of courage on which Canada is built.



Brian Masse MP, Mayor Eddie Francis, Joe Comartin MP, and local veterans at the Veterans' Day Ceremonies in Windsor.

