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Sgt Smith joined the Canadian Armed Forces in November 1988 and began her Weapons Technician QL3 course at CFB Borden in October 1989. Upon completion of her qualification training, she was posted to 2 Svc Bn Petawawa until 1991. With a passion for animals, she decided to leave the CAF to train in veterinary technology at Seneca College in King City. She worked in British Columbia as a veterinary technician from 1994 to 2001. After living on the West Coast for some time, she decided to move to Berwick, Nova Scotia, to be closer to her family, and she opened a bed and breakfast with her mother. Still seeking challenges and excitement, she decided to enroll in the Reserve Force, with 33 Svc Bn Halifax, to be a member of the profession of arms. She completed Reserve QL5 in July 2005 at CFB Borden and was promoted to Cpl. After that, she was assigned to Camp Aldershot in Nova Scotia as a Class B Weapons Technician until 2008. In July 2008, she transferred to 17 Wing at CFB Winnipeg, where she worked for some time. She was promoted to MCpl in 2010, and she remained there until 2011. She was assigned to the RCEME Weapons Pl as an instructor. In December 2011, she decided to return to the Regular Force and had to relinquish her rank of MCpl to return to Cpl, but only for a short time. She completed the weapons portion of QL3 and QL5 in 2012 and was posted to the Maintenance Unit at CFB Borden. In 2013, she returned to the Weapons Pl development section and returned to the rank of MCpl. She found a new passion for her work and thus decided to pursue her university studies in this field. In June 2017, she was promoted to her current rank and completed DP3 (Supervisor) in March 2018.

She left the CAF on 9 April 2018 after 19 years of service to work as an Instructional Design Officer at CFSATE. She will be staying in the Wasaga Beach region with her spouse James and her dog Jake. At her request, there will not be a DWD event.

Please send any anecdotes and congratulatory messages to eric.chretien@forces.gc.ca.



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