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RETIREMENT MESSAGE



Sgt Laliberté, CD

Sgt Laliberté will retire on 12 February 2019 after 20 years of dedicated service to the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) in both the Regular Force and Reserve Force.

Sgt Laliberté completed reservist basic training with the Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa in 1997, and after a brief stint with them moved on to 30th Field Regiment RCA where he spent 4 years working as a CP technician and recce detachment member. After the birth of his son in 2000, he took the next step and in 2002 joined the Regular Force and the RCEME Corps as a Weapons Technician. After completing his QL3 (DP1) Wpns course in Borden, he was posted to CFB Petawawa with 2 General Service Battalion to complete his OJT package. Afterwards, he was posted to the Royal Canadian Dragoons (RCD) where he waited for his QL5 (DP2) course. While with the Dragoons, Sgt Laliberté had the opportunity to travel to California and Texas for OPFOR and pre-deployment training effectively avoiding the great training base of CFB Wainright.

Sgt Laliberté was deployed to Afghanistan in 2007 to assist with the installation of the RPG cages on the armoured vehicle fleets, and again in 2010 from May to Dec with Recce squadron, RCD. (1 RCR Battle group). Once back on ground, he was promoted to MCpl and posted back to CFB Borden to teach at the RCEME School.



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Shortly after his posting, he was sent to Germany to complete a course on maintaining the new Leopard Main Battle Tank (MBT). Sgt Laliberté spent the remainder of his time at the RCEME School within the armament cell teaching courses on maintenance of the M777, the Leopard family of vehicles and the LAV III/LAV 6.0 platforms.

From Borden, he was posted to CFSU Ottawa in 2015 where he was put in charge of the weapons shop for the NCR. After 2 years and a promotion to Sgt he was sent to CFLS Asticou to complete his yearlong French course. Upon completion of his French course he returned to the RCEME School where he was employed within the Regimental Standards cell. Sgt Laliberté will be retiring with his wife Chantal and their 5 kids in her home town of Alexandria, ON.

A small DWD will be held on the **8th of Feb 2019** at the Sgt's/WO's mess in Borden at **1100 hrs**. Stories and anecdotes can be sent to Sgt Jimmy Grondin at JIMMY.GRONDIN@forces.gc.ca.



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