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RETIREMENT MESSAGE



MWO Donnie Merrill

On 23 February 2020, MWO Donnie Merrill will retire after more than 29 years of loyal and dedicated service with the Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineer Corps.

MWO Donnie Merrill joined the Canadian Armed Forces as a Vehicle Technician on 18 Dec 1990 and subsequently began his basic training at Canadian Forces Recruit School Cornwallis, Nova Scotia in January 1991.

Upon completion of basic training MWO Merrill was posted to the RCEME School at CFB Borden to begin his QL3 as a Vehicle Technician. After completing his QL3, MWO Merrill was posted with the Air Force at CFB Trenton. While posted to CFB Trenton he completed his QL4 as well as his QL5. In 1995 MWO Merrill (Cpl at the time) was posted to The Royal Canadian Dragoons in CFB Petawawa. While at the RCDs MWO Merrill deployed on his first tour to Bosnia in Jan 1998.

After several years and countless exercises, MWO Merrill was promoted to MCpl and posted to the 'Mothership' – 2 Service Battalion in Jul 2002. While posted to 2 Svc Bn MWO deployed to Afghanistan twice – in 2003 as well as 2005 as part of the National Support Element.



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Promoted to Sgt in July 2007, MWO Merrill was posted from 2 Svc Bn to Logistics Support Squadron (LSS) (formerly Area Support Unit Kingston) as the Inspections supervisor. After a stint as the LSS Maint contracts coordinator, MWO Merrill was promoted to WO and posted to CFJSR in Jul 2011 as the Troop WO. In Apr 2013 MWO Merrill moved offices in CFJSR to become the Support Sqn Ops & Trg WO.

In Jul 2016 MWO Merrill was promoted to his current rank then headed West along hwy 401 to Toronto to become G4 Maint 2 for 4 Cdn Div HQ. Jul 2017 MWO Merrill moved down the hall to become 4 CDSB Petawawa Det Toronto ETQMS and SM until an on the bus, off the bus, on the bus posting to LSS Kingston as the ETQMS came available – this is the position he currently holds.

Donnie and his wife Lisa plan to stay in the Kingston area. He intends to work when he needs to, hunt and fish when he feels like and ride his Harley – just because he can!

A depart with dignity luncheon will be held in honour of MWO Merrill on 21 Feb 2020, 1200h at Raxx Bar & Grill, 665 Development Dr, Kingston, ON. Any RSVP, retirement wishes, stories and/or anecdotes may be sent to WO Andrew Wallace – andrew.wallace@forces.gc.ca



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