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## RETIREMENT MESSAGE



**Cpl Éric Therrien, CD**

After 30 years of loyal and dedicated service with the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), Cpl Éric Therrien will retire on 12 September 2020.

Éric joined the CAF in 1990 as a gunner. After about 6 years in the artillery trade with a posting to 5<sup>th</sup> Light Artillery Regiment of Canada, he decided that he needed a change and transferred to the Vehicle Technician trade. During his career, he had many postings, such as Valcartier, Bagotville and Kingston, deployed to Bosnia in 2004 and to Afghanistan in 2007. His journey in the CAF will end at the Canadian Forces Joint Signals Regiment, where he served for over 7 years. Dedicated, friendly, and professionally driven, his great contribution to the CAF has been noticed and will be remembered by his friends and colleagues.

Éric will be moving to Drummondville with his life partner, Diane Hince, leaving his son Jérémy in Kingston, for him to pursue his own military career. Then he plans to work part time, take care of his parents and mother-in-law. He is also an avid cyclist and plans to enjoy many long bike rides upon his retirement.



**Arte et Marte**



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Éric's Departure with Dignity ceremony will be conducted on 21 August 2020, from 13h00 to 15h00 at Kingston's Garrison Golf & Curling Club (GG&CC), located on Red Patch Ave on the McNaughton side of the Canadian Forces Base in Kingston. If you wish to attend, please contact MCpl Patrick Arsenault on his cellphone 1-418-952-1850 or by email at [pat.arsenault@outlook.com](mailto:pat.arsenault@outlook.com) . Please note that due to COVID-19 circumstances, the location and maximum number of guests could be subject to change. Guests will be advised if such happens.

Anecdotes, stories and appreciation messages can be sent to MCpl Arsenault at [patrick.arsenault@forces.gc.ca](mailto:patrick.arsenault@forces.gc.ca) . Also, in recognition of 30 years of great service, donations will be collected to provide a gift for Éric. Donations can be done via e-transfer to DWD function coordinator at [pat.arsenault@outlook.com](mailto:pat.arsenault@outlook.com). Contributions are on a volunteer base only and is greatly appreciated. ARTE ET MARTE



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