Royal Canadian Mounted Police Veterans' Association



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Mr. Harold Searle Sergeant, (Rtd.), Reg. #14011 Life Member RCMP Veterans' Association Nova Scotia Division

Dear Harold:

On behalf of all of the members of the RCMP Veterans' Association across this great country, it is my distinct honour to extend warm & enthusiastic best wishes to you on the occasion of your 100^{th} Birthday.

We are deeply grateful for the contributions you have made, and continue to make in the life of service you have devoted to Canada, Harold, in the many stages of your distinguished career and adventurous life. And what a life it has been!

Born in the Prairies in Mortlach, Saskatchewan in the final months of World War I, when Robert Borden was Prime Minister of Canada, we know that when you were a young man in 1941, you had once considered joining the Royal Canadian Air Force to serve during World War II.

We're grateful and fortunate that you chose the RCMP.

It has been 76 years since you were first posted to Windsor, Nova Scotia, when it was a three-man detachment, only a decade after the RCMP first began to perform municipal policing duties in the province.

You served with courage, character and distinction during your time in uniform in Windsor, Chester, Halifax and Antigonish, including your time in August 1943 as part of the security detail protecting British Prime Minister Winston Churchill when he docked in Halifax en route to the war conference in Quebec City to meet Canadian Prime Minister W.L. Mackenzie King and U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

We know that after you retired from the RCMP as Sergeant in 1966 that you continued to serve Canada proudly both as a parole officer and as a Reserve Officer with the RCAF.

We're proud that you became a member of the RCMP Veterans' Association in 1967, in the year of Canada's 100th birthday, and that you continue to serve and support the Association today as an active Life Member, as Canada celebrates its 151st birthday.

You have given us all an unforgettable, inspiring example of unselfish service, Harold, and no member of the RCMP has ever worn the Red Serge with greater integrity and purpose. Thank you!

Congratulations on this wonderful milestone. We know that you will be celebrated well with family, friends and colleagues.

All RCMP Veterans across Canada join together today in wishing you a very "Happy Birthday" and wishing you many, many more, and fine health & happiness in the years ahead.

Best regards,

Steve Walker

President

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