

LFTEU GAGETOWN

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SUBJ: RETIREMENT K89 434 493 CWO GA (GARY) FOLEY, 00339 COMBAT ENGR
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1. AFTER 31 YEARS OF REGULAR FORCE SERVICE TO THE CF, ARMY AND ENGINEERS, CWO GARFIELD (GARY) FOLEY HAS DECIDED TO TRANSFER TO THE RESERVES AND A CLASS B CONTRACT WITH 3 ASG AT THE DEPLOYED SUPPORT CENTER. HIS LAST DAY WAS 25 MAR 09 AND HE STARTED HIS NEW JOB ON 2 APR 09

2. CWO FOLEY WAS BORN IN STEPHENVILLE CROSSING, NFLD. JOINING IN 1977 AND AFTER TRAINING WAS POSTED TO 3 FIELD SQUADRON, NOW 1 COMBAT ENGINEER REGIMENT IN CHILLIWACK, BC. HERE HE SPENT FOUR YEARS IN A TRACKED (DOZER) TROOP (TOILET TROOP), HIGHLIGHTED BY AN EXCHANGE TO AUSTRALIA, WORKING IN THE CANADIAN ARTIC AND 2 TOURS TO GERMANY FOR THE ANNUAL NATO FALL EXERCISE. IN 1982 HE MARRIED DEBBIE. IN 1983 HE WAS SOLDIER OF THE YEAR IN 1 CER. HIS SON TYLER WAS BORN IN 1985. PROMOTED TO SGT AND POSTED IN 1986 TO 22 FIELD SQUADRON, NOW 4 ENGINEER SUPPORT REGIMENT (4 ESR), AT CTC GAGETOWN. HERE HE WAS A FIELD SECTION COMMANDER, SQUADRON TRANSPORT NCO AND RECCE NCO. SON KEEGAN WAS BORN IN 1987 AND BRENNAN IN 1988. ALSO THAT YEAR HE WAS AWARDED THE FORCE MOBILE COMMANDERS COMMENDATION FOR ORGANIZING FIRST AID AND TRANSPORTATION OF AN INJURED TEEN OUT OF THE FOREST OF FUNDY PARK. PROMOTED TO WO IN 1989, HE WAS POSTED TO THE LAND ENGINEER TEST ESTABLISHMENT IN OTTAWA AS A TEST OFFICER, RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY PIECES OF EQUIPMENT BROUGHT INTO SERVICE FOR THE ENGINEERS. THE REVERSE OSMOSIS WATER PURIFICATION UNIT (ROWPU) IS ONE EXAMPLE. IN 1992 HE WAS POSTED BACK TO 22 FD SQN AS A FIELD TROOP WARRANT AND THEN ARMORED ENGINEER TROOP COMMANDER/CHIEF INSTRUCTOR FOR ARMoured ENGINEER OPS FOR THE ENGINEERS. IN 1994 HE WAS PROMOTED TO MWO AND POSTED TO TRIALS AND EVALUATION. IN 1995 HE ACCEPTED A YEAR LONG POSTING TO SARAJEVO WHERE HE WAS THE ENGINEER RESOURCES OFFICER, UNPROFOR HQ SERGEANT MAJOR (SM), AND CANADIAN SM. UPON TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY TO NATO HE BECAME THE SM OF THE ENGINEER BRANCH IN THE NATO DEPLOYED HQ ALLIED RAPID REACTION CORP (ARRC). POSTED TO 4 ESR IN 1996, HE SERVED AS THE TRAINING OFFICER FOLLOWED BY SQUADRON SERGEANT MAJOR (SSM) OF 48 ADMIN SQN. ONE OF HIS SECONDARY DUTIES WAS UNIT EMPLOYMENT OFFICER FOR 4 ESR. IN THIS CAPACITY HE ORGANIZED THE MOVE OF 4 ESR TO THE WINNIPEG FLOODS IN 1997 AND QUEBEC ICE STORM IN 1998. HE WAS ACTING OFFICER COMMANDING 48 ADMIN SQN FOR APPROX 6 MONTHS INCLUDING A MONTH DEPLOYED. HE WAS SSM OF 42 COMPOSITE ENGINEER SQN DEPLOYING TO BOSNIA WITH 2 RCR BATTLE GROUP ON ROTO 4 IN 1999. ON COMPLETION OF THAT TOUR HE WAS POSTED TO CANADIAN FORCES SCHOOL OF MILITARY ENGINEERING. HERE HE PERFORMED THE DUTIES OF SSM FIELD ENGINEER TRAINING SQN AND SSM STANDARDS SQN. HE WAS PROMOTED TO CWO IN 2002 AND POSTED TO LAND FORCE DOCTRINE AND TRAINING SYSTEM AS COMMAND STANDARDS ORGANIZATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN LAND FORCE WESTERN AREA. WITH HIS OFFICE IN WAINWRIGHT, ALBERTA HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR ARMY TRAINING STANDARDS FROM THUNDER BAY, ON TO VICTORIA, BC. IN 2004 HE WAS POSTED TO 3 AREA SUPPORT GROUP AS RSM OF OPERATION AND TRAINING BRANCH. DURING THIS POSTING HE WAS APPOINTED A MEMBER OF MILITARY MERIT (MMM). HE ORGANIZED THE FAREWELL AND A NATIONAL MEMORIAL FOR TASK FORCE 01-07. IN 2007 HE WAS POSTED TO LAND FORCE TRIALS AND EVALUATION UNIT.

3. THROUGH OUT CWO FOLEYS CAREER HE PLAYED OR COACHED MANY UNIT AND

BASE TEAMS INCLUDING BROOMBALL, HOCKEY, SOCCER, FLAG FOOTBALL AND FLOOR HOCKEY. DEBBIE AND GARY LIVE IN OROMOCTO WHERE THEY ARE CURRENTLY RENOVATING THEIR HOME OVERLOOKING THE RIVER. GARY ENJOYS FAMILY TIME, MUSIC, READING AND GARDENING. HE IS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE GAGETOWN MILITARY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER AND IS HEAVILY INVOLVED IN HIS COMMUNITY.

4. LAND FORCE TRIALS AND EVALUATION UNIT WILL CONDUCT A DEPART WITH DIGNITY CEREMONY ON 12 JUN 09 AT BLDG A-4, CFB GAGETOWN STARTING AT 1130 HRS FOR UNIT MEMBERS AND INVITED GUESTS. IF YOU WISH TO SEND BEST WISHES, MESSAGES, STORIES OR LIES, PLEASE CONTACT THE OPI MWO PHILIP HINCHEY AT LOCAL 3755 PRIOR TO 29 MAY 09.