

# Retirement of MWO Kevin Clayton



Master Warrant Officer (MWO) Kevin Clayton enrolled in the Canadian Forces in Sept 1974 as a Water, Sewage, Petroleum and Oil (WSPOL) Technician. After completion of Basic Recruit Training at CFB Cornwallis he was posted to CFB Chilliwack for completion of his TQ3 apprentice training. Upon completion of his QL training he was posted to CFB Chatham for a short duration (nine months) then onward to CFB Ottawa. In 1978 he returned to CFB Chilliwack for his QL5 Journeymen training and on completion posted to CFB Summerside PEI. Promoted to MCpl in 1980 he was then posted to Cold Lake where during his time there completed one of his four tours of Alert. From 1982 to 1992 he was posted to Wainwright, Lahr Germany and CFB Greenwood. Upon promotion to MWO in 1992 he was posted to Air Command in Winnipeg as part of the DCOS CE HQ. During his stay at Winnipeg he became involved in the planning and standing up of the Construction Engineering Air Reserve Squadron and then posted to Bridgewater NS in 1994 as the first Flight Warrant Officer. Releasing from the Regular Force in 1997 he took a Reserve position as the Ops and Trg MWO with 143 CEF and remained at Bridgewater until 2008 where he then re-enrolled in the CF and was posted back to 14 Wing Greenwood. While at Greenwood he completed his final tour of CFS Alert as the Station SWO. In 2011 he returned to Bridgewater as a Reservist filling the Training MWO position in the Sqn HQ. Kevin will be retiring for good in Feb 2016 after 41+ years' service.

He plans to stay in the Bridgewater area with his wife Catherine, daughters Julie and Colleen and seven grandchildren. His only immediate plans are to put in many miles of biking and working with the UN NATO Veterans Group (MC) in the development of a South Shore Chapter.

A Depart with dignity function will be held in his honour at 14 CES building 417 Harold Whynot rd. Bridgewater NS, commencing at 1100hrs on 15 April 2016. Those wishing to attend are requested to contact MWO Mike Welsh no later than 11 April 2016 via email at [michael.welsh@forces.gc.ca](mailto:michael.welsh@forces.gc.ca) or Phone 902-543-3002 ext 2233. Please also forward congratulatory messages, best wishes anecdotes via email to the above mentioned POC NLT 13 April 2016.

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