

MWO Serge Davignon



Biography

After more than 30 years of service, MWO Serge Davignon will be retiring from the Canadian Armed Forces on September 2014. Serge was born in St-Hyacinthe, Quebec (Qc), and from a young age he wanted to be a member of the Canada's military and on Apr 24th 1984 he signed up and became a Field Engineer (Fd Engr).

From the moment Serge signed up, he was on route to St-Jean, Qc upon completing "boot camp" he was posted to 5e Regiment de Genie du combat (5RGC) Valcartier, Qc and there he completed his trade qualification (QL) course 3, QL 5, Combat Diver and Basic Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD). He was promoted to the rank Corporal in 1988, he was then posted to 4 Combat Engineer Regiment in Lahr in Germany, followed by a transfer to Airfield Damage Repair with in the EOD Section in 1989, during which he also completed the Combat Leader Course and the Advance Water Supply course. In July 1990, he was promoted to the rank of Master Corporal where he returned back to 5 RGC and completed the Dive Supervisor course. Serge was a member of Op UNIKOM in Kuwait from October 1991 to March 1992 and was able completed the Advance EOD course in March 1993.

Later, Serge was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in October 1993, he completed the QL 6A in May 1994. He was then posted at Canadian Forces School of Military Engineer (CFSME) in Chilliwack, British Columbia in July 1995 and made the move with the school to CFB Gagetown, New Brunswick in 1998. In May 1999, he completed the QL 6B, was promoted Warrant Officer in March 2000 and he also completed the Senior Leader Course in November of the same year. In July 2001 he returned back to 5RGC, and after spending 3 years doing various regimental duties, he was posted to Montreal, Qc as Regiment Support Staff to 3 Field Engineer Regiment (now 34 CER). In July 2008 he was posted back to CFSME in Gagetown with a promotion to the rank of Master Warrant Officer. Serge completed the Advance Leadership Qualification in October 2009. In July 2013, he was posted to 5 Canadian Division Support Group employed in the Operation Services Branch as Garrison Sergeant Major (SM).

Serge has definitely had a few "see-saw" postings throughout his career and has had opportunity to conduct all the major regimental duties expected as he excelled through the ranks. While in CFSME, he was considered to be a meticulous instructor and later finished off as the Standards SM. Serge and his wife Lorrie-Ann will remain in NB until 2015; and then make one final move on the South Shores of Montreal, where he plans to settle down and enjoy golf; and still be affiliated with the Engineers family while serving as Class A member with 34 CER.

A retirement function will be held on Jul 18th 2014 at 13:00hrs at Bldg A-4, CFB Gagetown's SNCO Mess annex. Please confirm your attendance to MWO Akcakiryan A. (Akcakiryan MWO A@CFSME@Gagetown) and send all messages or anecdotes no later than June 30th 2014.

