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**The Official Dedication of
The British Columbia Regiment (DCO)
LAV III Monument
To Canada's Afghanistan Mission 2001 – 2014**

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LAV III Monument



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July 12, 2019

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (tentative)

at the

William and Dolores McCarthy Estate

Shiloh Hill, 9660 Sylvester Road, Mission, British Columbia

Guests are welcome to tour the Monument site and grounds.

Light Refreshments to be served.

More information to follow.

Please save the date.



INVITATION TO ATTEND:

THE BCR AFGHANISTAN LAV III MONUMENT DEDICATION CEREMONY



On behalf of The British Columbia Regiment (DCO) Association Charitable Trust and Honorary Colonel Ted Hawthorne, we invite you to join us as we dedicate a symbolic Light Armoured Vehicle (LAV) III Monument in honour of the 40,000 Canadian Armed Forces personnel who served, and the 162 Canadians who died in the fight to bring peace and freedom to the people of Afghanistan. This ceremony will also acknowledge the specific service of nearly 100 members from the BC Regiment, who served during this conflict.



Date:	Friday July 12, 2019
Arrival Time:	11:00 AM – 11:45 AM
Ceremony Start Time:	12:00 PM
Location:	Shiloh Hill, William McCarthy Estates
Address:	9660 Sylvester Road Fraser Valley Regional District, BC, V0M 1H0
Military Dress Code:	No. 1A (Medals Only)
Civilian VIP Dress Code:	Business Attire

Please confirm your attendance with;

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Location Map

Shiloh Hill, William McCarthy Estates

9660 Sylvester Road, Fraser Valley Regional District, BC, V0M 1H0



Lougheed Highway (No. 7)

The monument is located at "Shiloh Hill" at 9660 Sylvester Road. Travel 11 kilometers east of Mission City. Turn left on Sylvester Road (Husky gas station on corner). Travel 3 kilometers north. Enter at second gate.

Notes:

- The LAV III Monument is situated 11 kilometers east of the historical Mission City, British Columbia. It is situated in the Fraser Valley Regional District, overlooking Hatzic Lake and Valley. (90+ minutes from Vancouver depending on traffic.) Travel east on Lougheed Highway, turn left on Sylvester Road and travel approximately 3 kilometers. Entrance is at the second gate.
- Parking is limited. Carpooling is recommended. Parking is located at the top of the property.
- Return bus transportation will be departing from Vancouver to the ceremony. Must be confirmed.
- Washroom facilities are available onsite.
- Light refreshments will be served.



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- 1. The British Columbia Regiment's LAV III July 12, 2019 Order of Service**
- 2. Canada's Mission in Afghanistan 2001 – 2014**
- 3. Support our Troops**
- 4. The British Columbia (Duke of Connaught's Own) Regiment**
- 5. The Canada Company**

The LAV III Monument Program

- 6. The Light Armoured Vehicle (LAV III)**
- 7. Creating the British Columbia Regiment's LAV III Monument at Shiloh Hill**
- 8. Announcing and Introducing the Liberty Rose**
- 9. In Flanders Fields**
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**JULY 12, 2019
CEREMONY ORDER OF SERVICE**

- 11:45 a.m. Please assemble or take your seats
O'Canada**
- 12:00 p.m. Master of Ceremonies, Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Farid Rohani, BCR
Introduction of the Speakers and Special Guest
Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting / Plaque Unveiling of the LAV III Monument**
- 12:15 p.m. Speeches**
1. Mr. Blake C. Goldring, Chairman and Founder of Canada Company
 2. HCol Ted Hawthorne of The BC Regiment (DCO)
 3. Mr. William McCarthy
- 12:45 p.m. Spiritual Guidance – Padre-Captain the Reverend Gordon William Barrett**
- Wreath Laying**
- The Regiment: Honorary Colonel Ted Hawthorne
 - The Regimental Association: President Gayle Hawthorne and Past President Bob Remple
 - Honour House and our Fallen: Honorary Colonel Al De Genova 15th Field RCA and Sandra and Arthur Weissinger
- Last Post – BCR Bugle Major (Retired) John More**
- Moment of Silence & Lament**
- Reveille**
- God Save the Queen**
- Parade Marches Off**
- Speakers assemble at the monument for photos**
- 1:15 p.m. Reception: Guests are invited to tour the Monument and property. Light refreshments will be served at the McCarthy residence.**



Canada

CANADA'S MISSION IN AFGHANISTAN

2001 - 2014

The War in Afghanistan represents the longest single military engagement in Canada's history. From 2001 – 2014, the Canadian Armed Forces deployed over 40,000 soldiers, sailors, and air personnel to fight terror organizations and establish the institutions necessary for Afghanistan's long-term peace and prosperity. In addition to the Canadian Armed Forces, Canadian non-governmental organizations as well as thousands of Canadian diplomats, aid worker and medical officials all contributed to peacebuilding and development operations for the Afghan people.

As the Canadian Armed Forces mission came to a close, our serving men and women transitioned to a training role, assisting the country's Army, police, and security organizations to independently maintain the country's stability. When the Canadian flag was lowered in March of 2014, Canadians left a country on the road to rebuilding – thousands of boys and girls newly able to attend schools and the roots of democratic institutions firmly established. The mission demonstrated Canada's proud tradition of providing freedom and opportunity through strong leadership in peace and security operations around the world.

During our Nation's Mission, 40,000 Canadians served in Afghanistan. By Mission's end, 162 Canadians, including four civilians, gave their lives in the service of others. Approximately 80 members of the British Columbia Regiment served.



As a permanent monument to Canada's Afghanistan Mission, the Canada Company, in partnership with our nation's military and sponsoring communities and supporters across the country, plan to create, install, and dedicate thirty-three LAV III monuments across the country.



In recognition and memory of the efforts of approximately 40,000 Canadian Armed Forces personnel who served and the 162 Canadians who died in the cause of bringing peace and freedom to the people of Afghanistan.



2001



2014

En mémoire et en reconnaissance des efforts des quelque 40 000 membres des Forces armées canadiennes qui ont servi en Afghanistan et des 162 Canadiens qui sont morts pour la cause de la paix et de la liberté du peuple afghan.

The above plaque is affixed to each LAV III vehicle which now stands on guard as our nation's permanent memorial to Canada's latest, and longest military Mission.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

**40,000 Canadians Served in Afghanistan
158 of our Troops and 4 Civilians Gave the Ultimate Sacrifice**

We Will Remember

Corporal Ainsworth Dyer	Private Michael Vuki Hayakaze
Private Nathan Lloyd Smith	Corporal Jérémie Ouellet
Private Richard Anthony Green	Sergeant Jason James Boyes
Sergeant Marc Daniel Léger	Private Terry John Street
Sergeant Robert Alan Short	Corporal Michael Gunter Starker
Corporal Robbie Christopher Beerenfenger	Captain Richard Steven Leary
Corporal Jamie Brendan Murphy	Captain Jonathan Sutherland Snyder
Private Braun Scott Woodfield	Corporal Brendan Anthony Downey
Corporal Paul James Davis	Private Colin William Wilmot
Master Corporal Timothy James Wilson	Corporal James Hayward Arnal
Private Robert Howard Costall	Master Corporal Joshua Brian Roberts
Corporal Randy Joseph Payne	Master Corporal Erin Melvin Doyle
Corporal (Bombardier) Myles S.J. Mansell	Private Stephan John Stock
Corporal Matthew David James Dinning	Sergeant Shawn Allen Eades
Lieutenant William Montague Turner	Corporal Dustin R. R. J. Wasden
Captain Nichola Kathleen Sarah Goddard	Corporal Michael J. A. Seggie
Corporal Anthony Joseph Boneca	Corporal Andrew Paul Grenon
Corporal Francisco Oliver Gomez	Private Chadwick James Horn
Corporal Jason Patrick Warren	Sergeant Prescott Shipway
Sergeant Vaughan Ingram	Warrant Officer Robert John Wilson
Private Kevin Yves Royal Dallaire	Corporal Mark Robert McLaren
Corporal Christopher Jonathan Reid	Private Demetrios Diplaros
Corporal Bryce Jeffery Keller	Private John Michael Roy Curwin
Master Corporal Raymond Friedrich Arndt	Private Justin Peter Jones
Master Corporal Jeffrey Scott Walsh	Corporal Thomas James Hamilton
Corporal Andrew James Eykelenboom	Private Michael Bruce Freeman
Corporal David Robert William Braun	Sergeant Gregory John Kruse
Sergeant Shane Hank Stachnik	Warrant Officer Gaetan J. F. M. Roberge
Private William J.J. Cushley	Private Brian Richard Good
Warrant Officer Frank Robert Mellish	Private Sean David Greenfield
Warrant Officer Richard Francis Nolan	Warrant Officer Dennis Raymond Brown
Private Mark Anthony Graham	Corporal Kenneth Chad O'Quinn
Corporal Glen Harold Arnold	Corporal Joseph Dany Olivier Fortin
Private David Robert James Byers	Private Marc Hani Diab
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Corporal Keith Ian Morley	Master Corporal Scott Francis Vernelli
Private Joshua James Klukie	Private Corey Joseph Hayes
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Sergeant Craig Paul Gillam	Corporal Karine M. N. Blais
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Private Blake Neil Williamson	Private Alexandre Jacques Péloquin

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Corporal Albert Hugh Storm
Chief Warrant Officer Robert M. J. Girouard
Corporal Ronald Kevin Megeney
Corporal Aaron Edward Williams
Sergeant Donald Jason Lucas
Corporal Brent Donald Poland
Private Kevin Vincent Kennedy
Master Corporal Christopher Paul Stannix
Private David Robert Greenslade
Private Patrick James Pentland
Master Corporal Allan M. J. Stewart
Master Corporal Anthony Klumpenhauer
Corporal Matthew Jonathan McCully
Master Corporal Darrell Jason Priede
Private Daryl James Caswell
Sergeant Christos Karigiannis
Corporal Stephen Frederick Bouzane
Private Joel Vincent Wiebe
Captain Jefferson Clifford Francis
Private Lane William Thomas Watkins
Captain Matthew Jonathan Dawe
Corporal Cole Daniel Bartsch
Corporal Jordan James Anderson
Master Corporal Colin S. F. Bason
Private Simon M. S. Longtin
Master Corporal Christian J. T. A. Duchesne
Master Warrant Officer Mario M. C. Mercier
Major Raymond Mark Ruckpaul
Corporal Nathan Hornburg
Private Michel Richard Lévesque
Corporal Nicolas Raymond Beauchamp
Private Jonathan J. J. Dion
Warrant Officer Hani Massouh
Corporal Éric Labbé
Corporal Richard J. G. Renaud
Corporal Étienne Gonthier

Corporal Joseph R. M. Dubé
Corporal Nicholas Ashley Bulger
Master Corporal Charles-Philippe Michaud
Corporal Martin Mario Joannette
Master Corporal Patrice Yvon Audet
Private Sébastien J. G. O. Courcy
Corporal Christian Bobbitt
Corporal Matthieu J. P. G. Allard
Major Joseph Y. F. S. Pépin
Corporal Jean-Francois Drouin
Corporal Patrick Joseph Lormand
Corporal Jonathan J. S. Couturier
Lieutenant Justin Garrett Boyes
Private Steven Henry Marshall
Lieutenant Andrew Richard Nuttall
Sergeant George Rudulf Miok
Corporal Zachery Wilfrid McCormack
Private Garrett William Chidley
Sergeant Kirk Garret Taylor
Sergeant John Wayne Faught
Captain Francis Cecil Paul
Corporal Joshua Caleb Baker
Corporal Darren James Fitzpatrick
Private Tyler William Todd
Petty Officer Douglas Craig Blake
Private Kevin Thomas McKay
Colonel Geoffrey Stephen Parker
Trooper Larry John Rudd
Sergeant Martin Rene Goudreault
Sergeant James Patrick MacNeil
Master Corporal Kristal L. Giesebrecht
Private Andrew C. A. Miller
Private Brian James Collier
Corporal Brian Neil Calvin Pinksen
Corporal Steve Joseph Léo Martin
Corporal Yannick Scherrer
Corporal Karl Manning
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Master Corporal Byron Garth Greff



THE BRITISH COLUMBIA (DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S OWN) REGIMENT



The British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) is an armoured reconnaissance reserve regiment. Its soldiers assist the Regular Force in meeting Canada's military commitments both nationally, and internationally.

The British Columbia Regiment originated in Victoria, British Columbia on 12 October 1883, when the British Columbia Provisional Regiment of Garrison Artillery was formed. It was re-designated as the British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery on 7 May 1886, as the British Columbia Battalion of Garrison Artillery on 1 January 1893, as the 5th British Columbia Battalion of Garrison Artillery on 1 January 1895 and the 5th British Columbia Regiment, Canadian Artillery on 28 December 1895. The regiment was reorganized and split into two battalions on 1 July 1896, designated the 1st Battalion (now the 5th (British Columbia) Field Artillery Regiment, RCA) and 2nd Battalion, which was detached and converted to infantry and re-designated the 6th Battalion Rifles on 1 August 1899, with headquarters in Vancouver. It was re-designated the 6th Regiment The Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles on 1 May 1900.

Following the Great War on 12 March 1920, the 6th Regiment The Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles was amalgamated with the 104th Regiment (Westminster Fusiliers of Canada), now The Royal Westminster Regiment, and re-designated as the 1st British Columbia Regiment. It was re-designated the 1st British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) on 1 November 1920. On 15 May 1924 it was reorganized into three separate regiments, designated The Vancouver Regiment, The Westminster Regiment and the 1st British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own). The 1st British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) was re-designated The British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles) on 15 January 1930 and the 2nd (Reserve) Battalion, The British Columbia Regiment, (Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles) on 7 November 1940. The regiment was converted to armour and re-designated the 13th Armoured Regiment (The British Columbia Regiment), RCAC, on 1 April 1946, The British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) (13th Armoured Regiment) on 4 February 1949, The British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) (RCAC), on 19 May 1958 and finally The British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) on 7 October 1985.

The British Columbia Regiment is the oldest military unit in Vancouver. The Drill Hall, where the Regiment parades, is a heritage building located in downtown Vancouver at the corner of Beatty and Dunsmuir. The two tanks in front of the Drill Hall make the Regiment a familiar

landmark to the residents of Vancouver. The Regiment has a long history, during which it has been designated as Garrison Artillery, Rifles, Infantry, Armour, and Reconnaissance. In the course of its history, the Regiment has received 34 battle honours. It has been a member of the Armoured Corp since 1942, and since 1965 it has been tasked as Armoured Reconnaissance.

Close to one hundred soldiers of the Regiment served in our Nation’s Afghanistan Mission, including three tours by the Honourable Harjit Singh Sajjan, the Regiment’s former Commanding Officer and now current Minister of National Defense.

The story of “The Dukes” captured in “Swift & Strong: A Pictorial History of the British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught’s Own)” which was published in 2011. The British Columbia Regiment’s website is <https://www.bcregiment.com/>



The British Columbia Regiment’s mottoes reflect its Mission’s since its formation.

“FAUGH A’BALLAUGH” - “CLEAR THE WAY”

CELER ET FORTIS - “SWIFT AND STRONG”





THE CANADA COMPANY

Founded in 2006, at the height of the Afghanistan conflict, Canada Company began its journey with the goal of providing the children of fallen soldiers access to post-secondary education. Since then, together with our members, donors, and sponsors, Canada Company serves the men and women in our Canadian Armed Forces.

Our history demonstrates the commitment of Canada Company to ensuring Canadian military members, their families, and our veterans receive the widest support, care, and recognition they deserve.

With the shared goal to recognize those who served in Afghanistan, Canada Company took the lead in the administration of the LAV III Monument Program with the Government of Canada and the General Dynamics Land Systems Canada.



THE LAV III MONUMENT PROGRAM

The Light Armoured Vehicle (LAV) III Monument Program recognizes the service and sacrifice of the Canadian Armed Forces in Afghanistan by providing full-size demilitarized replica LAV IIIs to qualifying communities throughout Canada. These vehicles were originally manufactured by Canadians at General Dynamics Land Systems Canada (GDLSC) in London, Ontario and were instrumental to our troops in carrying out their missions while in Afghanistan. The monuments will be created from decommissioned LAV III hulls, donated by the Government of Canada.

The LAV III Monument program was announced on November 5, 2014 with a prototype monument sponsored by the Government of Canada and built by GDLSC. On June 19th, 2015, the Town of Oromocto and Fredericton was awarded this prototype monument by the Selection Committee for submitting the most compelling application. The British Columbia Regiment monument is the LAV III monument is to be the 26th of 33 to be unveiled across Canada. The Canada Company and LAV III Monument websites are <https://www.canadacompany.ca/en/> and <https://www.lavmonument.ca/en/index.html>

THE LIGHT ARMoured VEHICLE III (LAV III) CANADA'S MAIN FIGHTING VEHICLE IN AFGHANISTAN

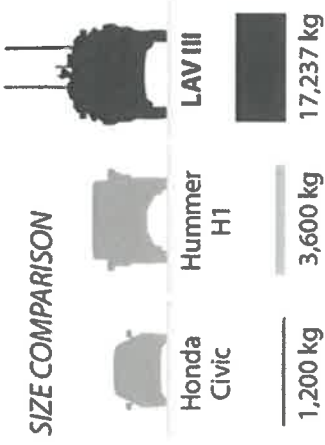
The Light Armoured Vehicle (LAV) that served during Canada's Afghanistan Mission was the third generation (hence LAV III) infantry fighting vehicles produced by General Dynamics Land Systems – Canada. This manufacturer, situated in London, Ontario, was a subsidiary of General Dynamics. The first vehicles were used in operations beginning in 1999.

LAV IIIs were used extensively throughout Canada's Afghanistan Mission. Despite ongoing upgrades to increase the safety of the crew and its fighting effectiveness, because of its primary role in Afghanistan as a patrol and transportation vehicle, the majority of Canadian casualties during our Mission occurred during LAV III patrols. The most common attacks on our LAV IIIs and troops were from mines and improvised explosive devices.

In 2017, Canada Defense Minister, Harjit Sajjan, announced that Canada would continue to upgrade its LAV III fleet. This work includes improving protection, mobility and information management systems. Our LAV IIIs are expected to be in service until at least 2035.



CANADA'S LAV III - LIGHT ARMoured VEHICLE



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Armament: (1) 25 mm chain gun,
(1) C6 – 7.62 mm machine gun,
(1) C9 – 5.56 mm machine gun.

Range: 450 km

Top speed: 100 km/h

Crew size: 3 (plus 6 to 7 passengers)

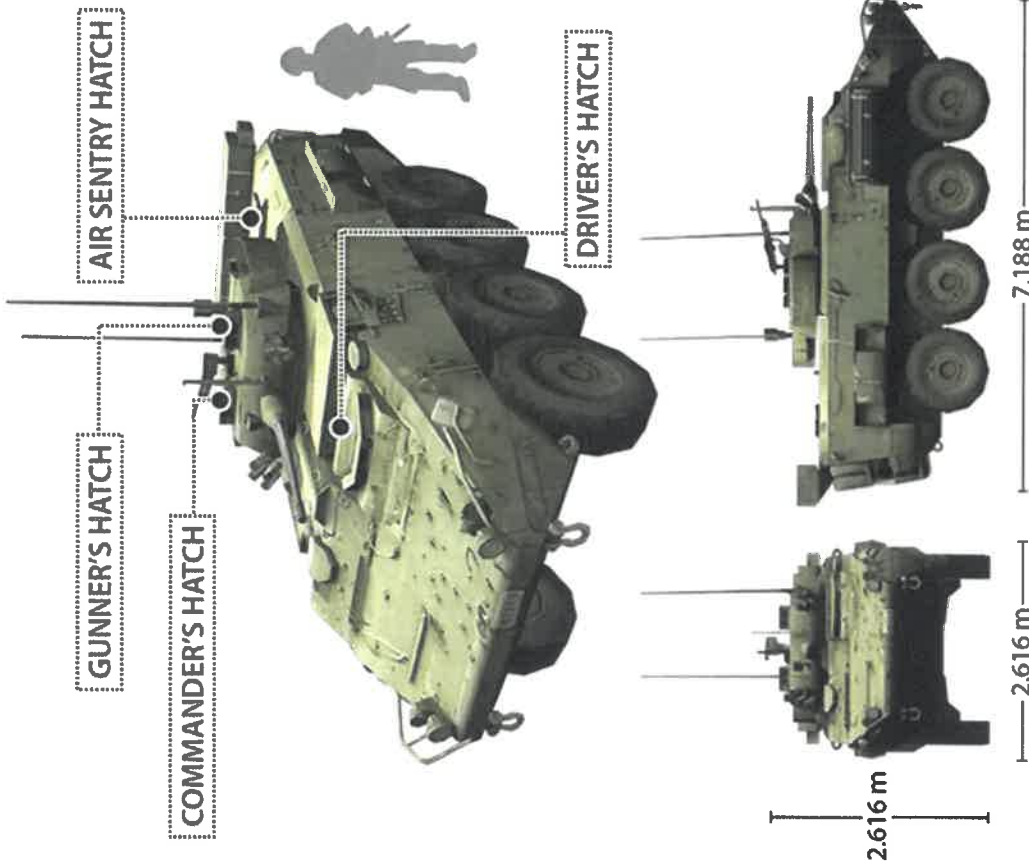
Weight: 17,237 kg (before upgrade),
24,948 kg (after upgrade)

Upgrade contract: \$1.06 billion
(announced in 2011)

Contractor: General Dynamics Land
Systems Inc., (London, Ont.)

Introduced to service: 1999

**Expected service life after
upgrades:** Until 2035.



CREATING THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT'S LAV III MONUMENT AT SHILOH HILL, BRITISH COLUMBIA



The dedication of this monument marks the 26th occasion whereby one of our country's LAV III vehicles have been placed on permanent display as a tribute to our country's Afghanistan Mission. This particular monument is unique in that it resides on a private estate property, east of Mission, British Columbia. The British Columbia Regiment's LAV III monument is situated at the home of William and Dolores McCarthy on their Shiloh Hill Estate property. McCarthy, a former serving officer of the British Columbia Regiment and a current Trustee of its Charitable Trust, worked with the Regiment and the Canada Company to create a public monument on private property. Access to the site will be structured accordingly, including public viewings. The following is a brief photo introduction to the design and creation of the monument.



The LAV III arrives via truck freight from Ontario. Heavy lift cranes place the vehicle on site pending completion of the monument site. This site was designed, built and fully funded by William McCarthy.



The LAV III was "parked" on site while the monument site was under construction for the next eight months.



Excavators and crews prepare the site at the McCarthy family's Shiloh Hill Estate for the LAV III installation. Work on the site took approximately ten months.



Four months after its arrival from Ontario, the LAV is lifted and positioned by a crane onto the podium created to display the monument.



Construction of the LAV monument podium site and landscaping hardscaping continues. Additional militaria is incorporated into the site along with 10,000 plants.



The LAV remains “wrapped” while the site’s hardscape and landscaping is installed over a six month period.



The first Liberty roses are planted around the LAV III monument. The Liberty Rose that was created to resemble the Poppy was commissioned to celebrate Freedom, and Liberty and those who sacrificed to defend it.



The British Columbia Regiment’s LAV III Monument is completed in the summer of 2019. This is now the British Columbia Regiment’s tribute to our country’s Afghanistan Mission.

ANNOUNCING AND INTRODUCING THE

Liberty Rose

A beautiful hardy and unique rose hybridized to resemble the poppy. This stunning rose was proudly created in Canada to honour of those who have fought for and preserved our liberty and freedoms around the world.

One of the world's leading and most respected rose hybridizer has created a stunning beautiful rose to honour those who have always defended one's country's freedom and liberty throughout the years. This is a rose that makes a statement.

Brad Jalbert is the owner of Select Roses in Langley, British Columbia. He is Canada's foremost rose expert and breeder and one of the most authoritative and respected rose experts in the world. He is proud to introduce his latest creation, the Liberty Rose.



Brad Jalbert, creator of the Liberty Rose arrives at Shiloh Hill with the first Liberty Roses to be planted at the LAV III Monument. Jalbert holds the service medals and the citation from Field Marshall Bernard Montgomery won by his grandfather, Sergeant Howard Russell (1907 – 1984), a member of the British Columbia Regiment who served with the 28 Canadian Armour in the Second World War. The other medals are his Great Grandfather's, William Eyles, who served in the First World War.

Jalbert, who has hybridized over 140 roses to date, is especially proud of his latest creation. The rose was commissioned by his friend William McCarthy. "This was a very special and personally gratifying experience for me," Jalbert states. "This rose is a tribute to all who have served, and will serve, including my late grandfather and great grandfather. The name "Liberty" was selected by William McCarthy's son John – the perfect name to state and pay homage to those who have served in the name of freedom and liberty, and those who follow.

To this day we wear the poppy in memorium. Poppies are planted and placed in cemeteries and at memorials around the world, now including our LAV III monuments. Together with the rose, the world's most popular, beloved and recognized plant, these two flowers and their beauty always make one think and reflect. The Liberty Rose, a rose so reflective of the poppy itself, is meant to perpetuate this tradition of grateful remembrance.



Canadian, British, American and Australia stamps. Postage stamps around the world highlight the poppy to honour those who have sacrificed and those who serve. Below (left) a Canadian soldier places a wreath in Afghanistan. The Liberty Rose (right).





British Columbia (DCO) Regiment's

LAV III Monument To Canada's Afghanistan Mission 2001 – 2014

CONTRIBUTORS

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 - Created by: Brad Jalbert, Select Roses
 - Commissioned by: William McCarthy
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PATRON OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT LAV III MONUMENT PROJECT

This Tribute to the Canadian Force's Afghanistan Mission was proudly designed, built and fully funded by William P.J. McCarthy.

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields

Punch
Dec 8, 1915

John McCrae

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

WRITTEN BY
CANADIAN SOLDIER
LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN McCRAE
(1872 – 1918)



CANADA

... WE STAND ON GUARD FOR THEE – AND THE WORLD

Our Nation has always fought for and defended Freedom throughout its history. Canadians have always served and sacrificed at a rate significantly disproportionate to our Nation's population. This is our tradition. This is our heritage.

Year	Conflict	Population of Canada	Those Who Served	Those We Lost
1914	World War I	7,250,000	619,636	61,000 killed 172,000 wounded
1939	World War II	11,500,000	1,159,000	44,090
1950	Korea	14,010,000	25,000	516
2011	Afghanistan	33,476,688	40,000	162





LAV III MONUMENT APPROVED COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY NAME: THE BC REGIMENT (DCO) ASSOCIATION CHARITABLE TRUST

LAV III MONUMENT LOCATION: SHILOH HILL, WILLIAM P.J. MCCARTHY ESTATE, MISSION, BC

DEDICATION DATE: JULY 12, 2019

Canada Company's Light Armoured Vehicle (LAV) III Monument Program congratulates The British Columbia Regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own) Association Charitable Trust, for installing a permanent commemoration of our modern-day military veterans of Afghanistan, in your community.

Thank you for embracing the vision of the program by committing to recognize and memorialize the efforts of the nearly 40,000 Canadian Armed Forces who served and the 162 Canadians who lost their lives during the conflict in Afghanistan, from 2001-2014.

The LAV III was made by Canadians to protect Canadians while they carried out their mission to restore peace and government, half a world away. This vehicle became known as the workhorse of the Canadian Army. It now returns to your community in the form of a monument to honour your local veterans and our nation's Fallen. It will symbolize the completion of the latest chapter in Canada's military legacy while encouraging a stronger connection between the citizens of your community and our veterans. It will provide a symbolic gathering place to reflect upon their service and sacrifice delivered to protect our way of life and freedoms.

Congratulations to all of your community's volunteers, sponsors and contributors for uniting to allow current and future generations to share your appreciation and pride for our Canadian Military.

Sincerely,

Blake C. Goldring, M.S.M.
Founder and Chairman of Canada Company
and Former Honorary Colonel, Canadian Army

Major General (Retired) David Fraser,
Former Commander of Afghanistan South
Chair LAV III Monument Selection Committee



**ADDRESS OF THE HONORARY COLONEL OF
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT
(DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S OWN),
TED HAWTHORNE
LAV II DEDICATION CEREMONY
SHILOH HILL, WILLIAM MCCARTHY ESTATES, MISSION, B.C.
12 JULY 2019**

GOOD MORNING TO:

1. OUR HOSTS, WILLIAM AND DOLORES MCCARTHY
2. PRESIDENT OF CANADA COMPANY, FORMER HONORARY COLONEL OF THE CANADIAN ARMY, BLAKE GOLDRING;
3. HONORARY COLONEL AI DE GENOVA, 15th FIELD RCA;
4. FORMER HONORARY COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT, BILL IRELAND;
5. HONORARY LIEUTENANT-COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT, FARID ROHANI;
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7. GAYLE HAWTHORNE, PRESIDENT OF THE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION;
8. RICK HOURIE, PRESIDENT OF THE REGIMENTAL MUSEUM;
9. MWO STEVE KERN, RUSI VANCOUVER.

FELLOW DUKES, VETERANS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I BRING YOU GREETINGS FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE REGIMENT, LIEUTENANT-COLONEL PAUL LINDSAY, A VETERAN OF THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN, AND SPECIAL GREETINGS FROM THE ENTIRE REGIMENTAL FAMILY ON THIS VERY SPECIAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND COMMEMORATION.

IT IS ENTIRELY FITTING THAT THE MONUMENT WE DEDICATE HERE TODAY IS LOCATED IN SUCH AN EXTRAORDINARILY BEAUTIFUL AND MEMORABLE SETTING, COMPLETE WITH THE LOVELY GARDENS AND THE HIGHLY SYMBOLIC "LIBERTY ROSE" AS PART OF THIS WONDERFUL ACT OF REMEMBRANCE. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH BILL AND DOLORES FOR YOUR SINGULAR VISION AND GENEROSITY IN MAKING THIS MONUMENT A REALITY AND FOR YOUR INSPIRATIONAL SUPPORT OF THE REGIMENT, THE REGIMENTAL FAMILY AND THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES. AS A RESULT OF YOUR VISION, WE DEDICATE THIS WORLD CLASS MONUMENT WHICH SYMBOLIZES CANADA'S MISSION IN AFGHANISTAN DURING THE PERIOD 2001 to 2014 AND WE HONOUR AND REMEMBER OUR FALLEN AND THE SERVICE, DEDICATION AND SACRIFICE OF ALL OF OUR SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND AIRMAN WHO SERVED IN THIS CONFLICT.

WE ARE ALL PROUD OF OUR REGIMENT'S LONG HISTORY OF SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, FROM THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA, WORLD WAR I AND WW II, UNITED

NATIONS PEACE KEEPING OPERATIONS, NATO OPERATIONS AND NOW WITH OUR NEWEST THEATRE HONOUR "AFGHANISTAN".

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO READ A BRIEF GREETING FROM THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE, THE HONOURABLE HARJIT SAJJAN, A FORMER COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE REGIMENT, WHO SERVED ON THREE OPERATIONAL TOURS IN AFGHANISTAN. REGRETFULLY, MINISTER SAJJAN IS UNABLE TO BE WITH US HERE TODAY DUE TO PRIOR COMMITMENTS.

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IN CONCLUSION, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION HERE TODAY AND FOR ALL OF YOUR TREMENDOUS SUPPORT OF THE REGIMENT, THE REGIMENTAL FAMILY AND THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES.

UP THE DUKES!

Minister
of National Defence



CANADA

Ministre
de la Défense nationale

**A Message of Greetings
on the occasion of
the British Columbia Regiment's Afghanistan
Light Armoured Vehicle III Monument
Dedication Ceremony**

July 12, 2019

I wish to offer my warmest greetings to everyone attending the dedication ceremony for the British Columbia Regiment's Light Armoured Vehicle III Monument to Canada's Afghanistan Mission.

This is an important opportunity to honour the 40,000 Canadian Armed Forces personnel who served and the 162 Canadians who died in the fight to bring peace and freedom to the people of Afghanistan. Their bravery shall never be forgotten.

The Government of Canada appreciates the selfless dedication and sacrifices of our Canadian Armed Forces members. As we gather together, let us thank them for their heroic contributions to our safety and our freedom, which have become a source of great national pride.

On behalf of the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Armed Forces, I join you all in recognizing the valiant efforts of our serving members and our fallen heroes.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Harjit S. Sajjan'.

The Hon. Harjit S. Sajjan, PC, OMM, MSM, CD, MP

**THE OFFICIAL DEDICATION OF
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT (DCO) LAV III MONUMENT
WILLIAM AND DOLORES McCARTHY'S ESTATE
SHILOH HILL, MISSION, BRITISH COLUMBIA
12 JULY 2019**



It was a warm and sunny summer day on Shiloh Hill at the beautiful Estate of William and Dolores McCarthy, overlooking Hatzic Lake towards the Benedictine Monastery, Westminster Abbey, the sight of the Official Dedication of The British Columbia Regiment (DCO) LAV III Monument to Canada's Afghanistan Mission 2001 to 2014. The Monument honours the 40,000 Canadian Armed Forces personnel who served and the 162 Canadians who died in the fight to bring peace and freedom to the people of Afghanistan. Nearly 100 members of the Regiment served in this conflict. The Dedication Ceremony commenced shortly after noon with a detailed Order of Service including the singing of the National Anthem, O Canada, led by the Master of Ceremonies, Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Farid Rohani, the Introduction of Speakers and Special Guests, the Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting and Plaque Unveiling by Blake Goldring, Chairman and Founder of Canada Company, our Host, fellow Duke Bill McCarthy, the Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, Ted Hawthorne, Gayle Hawthorne, President of the Regimental Association, and Colonel Rohani, Speeches by Blake Goldring and Colonel Hawthorne, who also conveyed the greetings of The Honourable Harjit Sajjan, Minister of National Defence, and Bill McCarthy. The program also included remarks and spiritual guidance by the Padre, Captain, the Reverend Gordon William Barrett and the Laying of Wreaths for the Regiment by Colonel Hawthorne, for the Regimental Association by President Gayle Hawthorne and Past President Bob Remple and Honour House by Honorary Colonel (15th Field RCA) Al De Genova and Sandra and Arthur Weissinger. The Last Post was ably played by Retired BCR Bugle Major John More, followed by a Moment of Silence for Our Fallen, during which The Lament was played by Derek Davidson, of New Chelsea and Pipe Instructor from 2290 BCR (101 DCOR) RCACC and concluding with the playing of Reveille by the Bugle Major. The Dedication Ceremony was concluded by the singing of God Save the Queen led by Colonel Hawthorne.

Our congratulations to Bill McCarthy and Canada Company on the completion of the highly successful The LAV III Monument Project sponsored by The BC Regiment (DCO) Association Charitable Trust and special thanks to the Regimental Association and Regimental Family for their great support. Many Dukes, friends and supporters attended the ceremony and a good number were bussed in from The Drill Hall to the ceremony and return by Charter Bus. Special thanks to three of our Duke Afghanistan Veterans, Don Bentley, Jared Reynolds and former BCR OpsWO Marvin MacNeill, who attended. Up the Dukes!

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12 July 2019

William and Dolores McCarthy

Dear Bill and Dolores:

**Re: The Official Dedication of The British Regiment (DCO) LAV III Monument to
Canada's Mission in Afghanistan (2001 – 2014) at the William and Dolores McCarthy
Estate, Shiloh Hill, Mission, British Columbia – 12 July 2019**

On behalf of the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Lieutenant-Colonel Paul Lindsay, and The BC Regiment (DCO) Association Charitable Trust ("Charitable Trust"), I wish to thank you for the wonderful Dedication Ceremony and the extraordinary hospitality extended to the Regimental Family and the wider Military Community.

It was an honour for me to represent the Regiment, along with Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Farid Rohani, and to honour the 40,000 Canadian Armed Forces personnel who served and the 162 Canadians who died in the conflict. Your great achievement in making this Monument a reality is a testament to the success of today's Dedication and Commemoration Ceremony which will assist us all in remembering the service and sacrifice of all those who served in Afghanistan.

Again, my sincerest thanks to you and to the Charitable Trust and my heartfelt congratulations!

Up the Dukes,



E. A. (Ted) Hawthorne,
Honorary Colonel

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**PRIVATE VISIT PROTOCOL FOR MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT (DCO)**

**THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT (DCO) LAV III MONUMENT
To Canada's Afghanistan Mission 2001 – 2014**



**THE WILLIAM McCARTHY RESIDENCE
9660 SYLVESTER ROAD
FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT**

- 1. Members and guests of the Regiment may arrange private visits throughout the year. Directions to the site are provided.***
- 2. These would be private visits. There are no events scheduled at this time. The monument is located about 90 kilometers east of Vancouver. This is a private property. The gates to the Estate will be opened and visitors can drive onto the property and park alongside the monument during their visit. They will depart through the exit gate. Please note that parking is restricted and limited. During your visit we ask that you stay at the monument site only. If you have any questions, please email William McCarthy at wpjm@wpjmccarthy.com.***
- 3. Private visits must be arranged in advanced so access can be provided. Due to security purposes, access is limited to pre-arranged visits.***
- 4. There will be regular Regimental events/openings at the Monument site throughout the year subject to scheduling.***

**TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TO THE
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA REGIMENT (DCO) LAV III REGIMENT**

W.P.J. McCARTHY RESIDENCE AT SHILOH HILL, FRASER VALLEY, B.C.

ROUTE NO. 1 VIA TRANS CANADA HIGHWAY

This is a relatively easy trip along the Trans Canada Highway. The travel distance is 87 kilometres from Central Burnaby.

1. Travel the Trans Canada Highway to Exit 92 in Abbotsford. Travel 13 kms. on Highway 11 through Abbotsford, over the Fraser River Bridge, to Highway 7 (Lougheed Highway). The signs will say "Agassiz and Harrison".
2. Travel 7 kilometres on Highway 7 to Sylvester Road.
3. Turn left on Sylvester Road (at Gas Station). Travel 3 kms. north.
4. There are two entrances to Shiloh Hill. The main entrance to Shiloh Hill is the North Gate. (Past the first gate with the Shiloh Hill stone marker). Turn right onto property. Access to the Monument is to the immediate right. You may drive down this road and park alongside the monument during your visit.

ROUTE NO. 2 VIA THE LOUGHEED HIGHWAY (NO. 7 HIGHWAY)

Once on the Lougheed Highway (No. 7) just follow the signs to Mission City. The travel distance is 77 kilometres from central Burnaby. (You will face more traffic lights than the freeway route).

1. Travel the Lougheed Highway (No. 7) straight to Mission. (You will travel through Burnaby, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Pitt Meadows, Maple Ridge and then into Mission).
2. Once in the City of Mission, you by-pass below the main street of the town (1st Street, which is a one-way street, East to West).
3. Follow Lougheed Highway east, past the City of Mission. (The signs will say "Agassiz and Harrison"). You will travel approximately 7 kilometres past Mission city to Sylvester Road.
4. Turn left on Sylvester Road (at Gas Station). Travel 3 kms. north.
5. There are two entrances to Shiloh Hill. The main entrance to Shiloh Hill is the North Gate. (Past the first gate with the Shiloh Hill stone marker). Turn right onto property. Access to the Monument is to the immediate right. You may drive down this road and park alongside the monument during your visit.

NOTE: Try to listen to radio traffic reports to determine if there may be any significant traffic delays on the day of your trip out.