



Gary Badcock

Gary Badcock was born on June 13th, 1956, in St. John's, Newfoundland. He was one of four children born to Archibald and Minnie Badcock.

He grew up in Bay Roberts with his brother and his two sisters. Growing up, he played softball, hockey and baseball. He really enjoyed outdoor activities as a kid, like camping and hiking.

Gary enlisted in October of 1973, when he was 17 years old. He became a Teletype and Cypher technician in the Communication and Electronics branch of the Canadian Armed Forces.

On completion of recruit training at CFRS Cornwallis, NS in January 1974, he was posted to Kingston, Ontario for training as a Teletype Technician. He

completed this training in January 1975. Most of his training was done at the Communications and Electronics School (CFSCE) in Kingston, ON, but he also completed many training courses in the U.S.A and at the NATO school in Latina, Italy.

Throughout his time in service, Gary was posted to many Military Bases throughout Canada, Europe and the Middle East: CFB North Bay, ON 1975-1977, CFB Greenwood, NS 1977-1978, CFB Kingston, ON 1980-1985, CFS St. John's, NL 1985-1988, CFB Halifax, NS 1988-1993, CFB Shilo, MB 1993-1995, Shape Belgium, 1995-2000, CFB Petawawa, ON 2000-2002, CFB Kingston 2002-2004, MFO Sinai, Egypt 2004-2005 and CFB Edmonton, AB 2005-2007.

He also spent over 6 years on deployments all over the world with the United Nations, Multinational Force and Observers and NATO. This included 2 years in Egypt, 2 years in Syria and Israel, 9 months in Cyprus, 6 months in the former Yugoslavia and 7 months in Afghanistan.

In 2007, Gary retired from the military at the age of fifty. After almost 32 years of service in the Canadian Armed Forces, he has many memories

and stories. He retired with the rank of Master Warrant Officer (MWO) and moved to South River, NL, where he rejoined the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 32 in Bay Roberts.

After his retirement from the military, he did not return to work, but became an active volunteer at the Legion. He was elected as First Vice President in February of 2015 and held that position until February of 2016.

He designs and maintains the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 32 website.

On July 25th in 2007, Gary Badcock married Veteran Nicole Badcock (née Dostie). They had no children together, but they have six grandchildren. They both continue to live together after their service in the military.



Ismailia, Egypt - 1975



Afghanistan - 2006



Golan Heights – 1991/1992



2006 Memorial Service while on leave from Afghanistan.



Last Day in Uniform – 16 February 2007