



George Trask

George Trask was born on March 19th, 1942, in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia to parents Norma Louise (Doane) and Cecil Fredrick Trask. Growing up, his family lived mainly in Yarmouth, but they also lived in the small communities of Chegoggin and Brooklyn, Nova Scotia for a period of time.

Growing up, he was interested in building things with wood and had a knack for carpentry.

George enlisted in the forces when he was 16 years old. In 1958, he became a member of the Royal Canadian Artillery. While with the Royal Canadian Artillery, he completed Basic Militia Training and Gunnery Training in the Yarmouth Armoury until 1960. He

travelled from Yarmouth Armoury to CFB Gagetown for a live fire exercise with the 105 howitzers.

For the next five years, he was a member of the Royal Canadian Army Service Corp. From 1960 to 1961, he trained at RCASC School for Basic and Driver Training.

In 1965, he became a member of the Royal Canadian Engineers. George completed various training courses in Chilliwack, BC to develop a working knowledge of Field Engineer training and to advance as a qualified Construction and Maintenance Tech.

During his service in the military, he travelled extensively and had many postings throughout Canada and the world. He spent time in Soest, Germany and Bucharest, Romania.

He recalls doing NATO exercises in Germany and using various German towns and farmlands as an integral part of training. George also remembers going to the Canadian Embassy in Bucharest, Romania to do earthquake repairs. He used his days off to tour Romania.

George retired from the Canadian Armed Forces in 1987 while serving in Dundurn, Saskatchewan. He was 45 years old at the time of his retirement, he had served just over 27 years of active service.

After his retirement from the forces, he began a new career in Occupational Health and Safety and Labour Standards with Labour Canada in their Saskatoon office.

In 1985, George Trask married Joan Marie Coleman (Hiscock) in Nova Scotia. They originally met in St. John's a number of years before getting married. They have one adopted son. He is now retired from both work and the military and is living in Makinsons, Newfoundland.

See some pictures below



Gagetown during a live fire exercise in 1959.



Canadian Humane Association for saving the life of a small girl suffering an electric shock after touching a car while wet from swimming at Still Water, Nova Scotia, 28th day of August 1975.



George W Trask Driving a 21/2 Ton truck which was a daily job to pick up food and rations and other supplies. (19

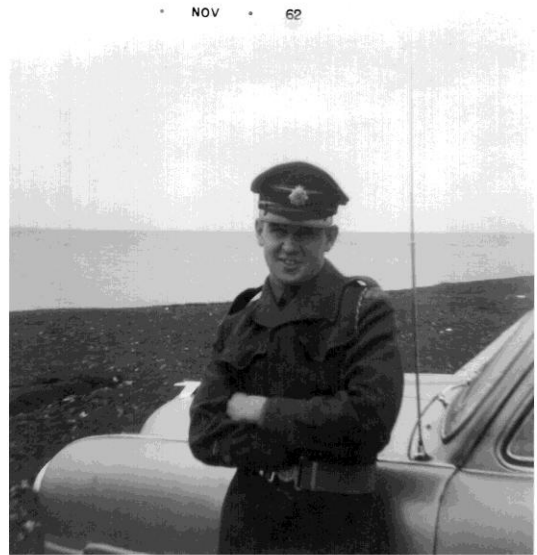


A republic float of a grain elevator which was built for the Canada Day Parade going through the German towns which were involved with the Canadians.

(1964)



George's last trip home to Yarmouth prior to departure to Germany.
(Summer Dress)



George's last days in Base Kingston prior to his flight to Fort Chamby, Germany in 1962. (Winter Dress)



Dressed for a training and range exercise.