



**Message from the Commissioner of Nunavut on the death of His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh**

Our deepest sympathies go out to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and the Royal Family for the loss of His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh.

His Royal Highness was married to Queen Elizabeth for 73 years.

He was the longest serving royal consort in British history, giving Her Majesty the Queen constant loyal and steadfast support.

His Royal Highness lived a life of service and believed in supporting and encouraging youth. He leaves a legacy that has touched many, many young participants in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards program.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award allows young people to pursue their passions, regardless of their background, culture or access to financial resources.

The Awards program creates opportunities for young people to develop skills, be physically active, give service and experience adventure. The Award can play a critical role in their development.

Nunavummiut greatly appreciated the Duke of Edinburgh Awards program. Many students earned their awards through the Terry Fox Program established at Inuksuk High School by the late Nick Newbery.

In 2002 students from Inuksuk High School who had earned Duke of Edinburgh Awards had the honour of receiving their awards from the founder of the Awards program, His Royal Highness Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh.

The Duke of Edinburgh was a committed environmentalist. He devoted himself to raising awareness of the relationship of humanity with the environment.

His Royal Highness devoted his life to his family and to fulfilling his unique role in our constitutional monarchy.

Prince Philip was a great friend of Canada and he will be dearly missed.

On behalf of Nunavummiut I offer my deepest sympathy to the members of the Royal Family.

Eva Qamaniq Ariak

Commissioner of Nunavut

Virtual book of Condolences: <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/commemoration-duke-edinburgh/send-condolences/book.html>

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