

## White Poppy Press Conference

I am happy to be here, with you today for the Peace Poppies press conference. Remembrance Day memorialis to honour and pay tribute to all Canadians, who served and died for peace, in the time of war. We, should promise them, that together, we will continue their efforts, for the peace and freedom, of all nations.

62 years ago, during the Korean War, my service overseas, included 2 ½ years, in Japan. It was there in Hiroshima, where I met, my late beloved wife of 53 years, Kinuko Doi, a survivor, of the atomic bomb. Having survived, she felt her principle responsibility in life, was to promote non violence, and relate her experience to others, by telling people the horrors, of the first Atomic Bomb, used in war. Kinuko so often said: “Bombs only destroy the things we love, and teach us to hate, they cannot build us peace and love, that peace, with love and understanding, is the only way. That, we all have separate identities moulded by our ancestors, to build roads to peace, we must know who we are and be proud of our heritage. We must be able, to love ourselves, to share our love with others, be tolerant, and respect each other, the world over. Her wishes were for everyone, to have happiness, and long life.

Remembrance Day, should not glorify war but give us the incentive, to help find those roads to peace, without war. When we can end... the use of war....Then all those.... who have died in war....can rest in peace...As peace should be ..... their “MEMORIAL”..... Thank you

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