

# The Highway of Heroes

I think it's important to remember those who died in Afghanistan because they gave the ultimate sacrifice. The Highway of Heroes is a way that Canadians support those who died in Afghanistan.

The Highway of Heroes starts in Trenton, Ontario and goes all the way to Toronto, Ontario. This highway is so famous because the Canadian Military takes the soldiers home this way after they have died in combat. The Highway of Heroes got its name in 2007 when the Canadian government gave the stretch the official name. The Highway of Heroes stretches more than 150 kilometers. The majority of it is beside the great lake Ontario.

The Highway of Heroes song was made to support the troops that fought and are fighting in Afghanistan. It was written by The Trews in honor of Nichola Goddard. This song is another way we remember those who died in combat. Every Remembrance Day, choirs sing this song which allows people a way to remember the soldiers like Nichola Goddard who died in Afghanistan.

Nichola Goddard was part of the Princess Patricia's Canadian light infantry. She was a forward observation officer. Nichola Goddard arrived in Afghanistan in January of 2006. Nichola Goddard was killed on May 17, 2006. She died during a firefight while in the Panjwaye district. She was the first female to die in combat. I think it is important to remember the troops that died in combat because they gave their lives so people could live freely. That is why every Remembrance Day I go to the ceremony in Windsor, Nova Scotia to remember those who died in Afghanistan.

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