

Reunion 2015 – Calgary, Alberta

Reunion 2015 held at the Coast Plaza Hotel and Conference Centre in Calgary, Alberta on May 29 – 31, 2015 was a huge success! Special thanks to War Bride Daughter, Lynn Martin and Joan Beaton for all their work organizing the event.



Our Lovely War Brides



`Here come the War Brides` Cast



Enjoying the Sing-Along!

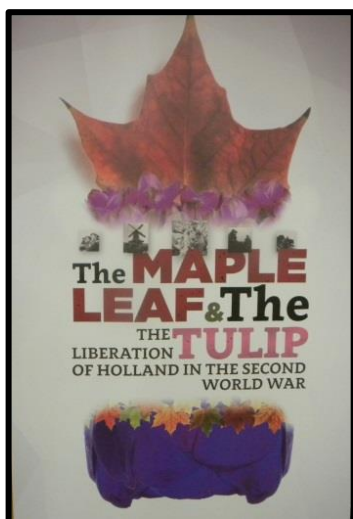


Dancing to the music of the Royal Canadian Artillery Jazz Task Force

Approximately 100 attended the reunion, with 57 of those registering for the weekend with the rest, attending individual events.

There was lots of fun had by all with lots of visiting, singing, enjoying some great meals and entertainment and of course lots of laughter!

Calgary Military Museum Tour Saturday, May 30, 2015



Lindsey Sharman, on behalf of the Military Museums in Calgary, provided free round-trip transportation to the Military Museums for any of our Canadian War Brides and Family members attending the reunion. Approximately 40 people attended from the reunion. Artist and War Bride Daughter, Bev Tosh's exhibition *'Trees Heeft een Canadees or Teresa has a Canadian'* was on display. The exhibition consisted of 23 wedding portraits and stories of Dutch women meeting their Canadian soldiers, all researched by Bev Tosh. The exhibition also included an original wedding dress made from a parachute, and documents, photos and films showing stories of the deep connections between Canadian soldiers and the people of Holland.



The 'Little Coat' which had been given to a 10 year old Dutch girl who befriended some Canadian soldiers in 1944, was also on display. For more information go to www.thelittlecoat.com.



Photo on left is of Dutch War Bride, Maria McNair and Artist Bev Tosh, holding the wedding portrait she painted of Maria.. Photo on right is showing Maria and her proud family with her portrait. This was the first time Maria, who lives in Saskatoon, had seen her portrait.

