

Canada's Queen

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was the first of Canada's sovereigns to be proclaimed separately as

“Queen of Canada.”

It reaffirmed the Monarch's role as independent of that as Monarch of the United Kingdom and the other Commonwealth realms. On her 21st birthday (April 21, 1947), she addressed the Commonwealth and dedicated her life "whether it be long or short" to the service of others. In her 7 decades as Monarch, she was steadfast in keeping her promise, a promise valued by Canada and the Commonwealth.

As Canada's monarch and head of state for 70 years, February, 6th 1952 to September, 8th 2022 Queen Elizabeth II played an integral role in the life of our nation. Over the course of her reign, she made 22 official visits to Canada—more than any other Commonwealth nation. Her travels brought her east, west and north, to large cities, small towns and tiny hamlets. She met countless Canadians and was present for our most important milestones and celebrations.

Queen Elizabeth II was a constant presence in the lives of Canadians and witnessed growth and significant change in Canadian society. The Queen cultivated enduring ties with Canadians over years of connecting with our rich cultures and traditions. She dedicated her life to public service and served Canada and Canadians throughout her reign. Queen Elizabeth II said in multiple speeches that she always regarded Canada as home and shared the pride we take in our achievements.