

Remembrance Day Interviews 2011



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I grew up in the Lines of 10th Princess Mary's Own Gurkha Rifles in British Army camps in the Far East between 1948 and 1968. I came to England in 1969 and qualified General Nurse.



In 1975, I qualified as Registered Mental Health Nurse and became first Nepali psychiatric nurse here.

POPPIES ARE FOREVER

**Poppies are worn once a year,
For sacrifices made in lands afar;
This remembrance brings many a tear,
Thinking of those who conquered fear,
On land, sea and sky the state of war.**

**They gave us the freedom we hold so dear,
Won with blood, sweat and battlefield scar;
Our freedom is thanks to brave men's death:
Sacrifices they made for peace on earth,
And many nations achieved their rebirth.**

**Remembrance isn't just for November,
"At the going down of the sun",
We will remember loss of a loving son,
Final stand of a husband, father or a brother;
And to tyrants we will never surrender.**

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