



BIOGRAPHY

MIKE WING

**Union of Canadian Transportation Employees
National President - 1999 to 2008
Life Member**

For over 10 years, Mike Wing has been a social activist with UCTE, PSAC and the National Capital Region (NCR). He worked as an analyst for the

Canadian Transportation Agency and several other Public Service employers: Revenue Canada, Transport Canada and Global Affairs Canada.

His history with the unions began during the 1990s strike against Treasury Board. It was at his first strike meeting that Brother Wing was elected strike captain. He joined the PSAC Strike Committee that same year. Brother Wing was then elected President of the Local during this period. Three years later, in 1996, he made his first ever UCTE entry into the National Office as National Vice-President. After one term, he was elected in 1999 as the Union's National President. In the meantime, around 1998, he was also elected as President of PSAC Council in the Ottawa region. He served as head of the Union until 2008.

Mike Wing has always been a social activist and has been involved with PSAC Political Action Committee since the beginning. Under his leadership, UCTE Locals were first to include a donation to the PSAC Social Justice Fund. He raised funds for the Tsunami Relief Fund and organized a charity golf tournament supporting Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind.

He has always been an outstanding leader and speaker. One of his greatest strengths was his ability to manage. His members at the time were impressed with his desire to get involved with large campaigns and to personally engage to assist members with their specific problems.

Brother Wing's many accomplishments made him a valuable activist for the Union. He made a major difference, getting involved in numerous strikes, keeping the Canadian Coast Guard with UCTE, refusing a wage increase to leave more funds for the Regional Vice-Presidents and, all the while, managing the transition of some airports from the public to the private sector.

Mike Wing was a man who worked for the good of others. He listened to each member's personal story and went to bat for them in strategic ways. Nothing could stop him from doing what he thought should be done.

