

# KENNETH EARL ASHTON

*Committee of Provincial and Territorial Geologists  
2019 Medal Winner*



Respectfully submitted by the Saskatchewan Geological Survey



- Originally from Scarborough Ontario Ken gained a B.Sc., in Geology at the University of Toronto in 1975 followed by a Masters' thesis from the University of Saskatchewan in 1980, and a Ph.D., in 1988 from Queens University
- Ken has dedicated his career to public geoscience. Prior to joining the SGS he worked for Manitoba Energy and Mines and the Geological Survey of Canada, all over the Northwest Territories, in the Arctic on the Melville Peninsula and Bathurst Inlet, also on the Gaspé Peninsula in Quebec and in Newfoundland
- Over the past 30 years Ken has mapped over 5,500 square kilometres in Saskatchewan, or roughly the size of Prince Edward Island, spending the equivalent of 3 full years in the field
- Throughout his career he has published over 60 papers, reports and maps and has been a subsidiary contributor on more than 70 other publications
- Ken has been a longtime member of the Saskatchewan Geological Society, the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan, and a Fellow of the Geological Association of Canada.
- As an adjunct professor at the University of Regina and a thesis advisor Ken has taught and mentored countless undergrad and grad students who have gone on to successful careers in the industry
- Of course, Ken's stellar career would not have been possible without the support of his wife Dr. Janice Dale as well as his son Stuart and daughter Heather