

The Rt Hon Edward Young CVO,  
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Your Majesty,

I was deeply saddened to learn of the death of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and I join with the nation in mourning his loss. I write to express my deepest sympathy to Your Majesty and the members of the Royal Family.

On behalf of the Rayner farming family of Royal Berkshire, the whole family gives thanks for His Royal Highness' dedicated service to the nation, and commitment to making a difference via so many charitable causes. His Royal Highness' constant support to Your Majesty throughout seven decades of marriage has been a true inspiration.

I was extremely privileged that His Royal Highness was able to attend my Mayor's ball in May 2013 at Guards Polo Club. His Royal Highness made it a very special evening, as he took time to speak to the three school choirs and all our guests.

Secondly, His Royal Highness offered his great support and wise words while my team was building the Carriage Driving Courses in the grounds of Windsor Castle.

We will miss seeing His Royal Highness driving in his carriages and Land Rover around Home Park Private while we are preparing for the Royal Windsor Horse Show. I have many fond memories and encounters to remember him by.

I have the honour to be Ma'am, Your Majesty's humble and Obedient Servant,

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