

Memorial to Polish General who made Edinburgh his home



Sculptor Bronislaw Krzysztof helps deliver the General safely to the spot outside the City Chambers in Edinburgh chosen for the memorial bench



Sculptor Bronisław Krzysztof poses with the memorial to General Stanisław Maczek and his Polish soldiers.



A detail on the bronze sculpture which honours the Polish

General and Second World War hero in his adopted home town.



In 2013 Lord Fraser of Carmyllie represented the UK Government at the late General's funeral. He heard for the first time of his achievements and began a public appeal for funds to create the memorial.



The memorial to General Stanislaw Maczek will be formally unveiled on 3 November. The funds for the memorial were raised after a public appeal begun by Lord Carmyllie and supported by

the Polish government.

General Maczek was Commander of the 1st Polish Armoured Division and appointed by Winston Churchill to defend Scotland's east coast from potential invasion. He played a key role in the Battle of Normandy preventing the retreat of thousands of German soldiers at the Falaise Pass and liberated parts of France, Belgium and Holland.

Lord Fraser died during the fundraising process and his family took up the campaign. His daughter Katie Fraser said : "The memorial is quite superb and a fitting tribute to General Maczek and his Polish soldiers. We are delighted to see it in a position ready to be unveiled in time for the 100th anniversary celebrations of Poland regaining independence."

The Memorial to General Stanislaw Maczek and his Polish Soldiers has arrived at the City Chambers [@Edinburgh_CC](https://www.pic.twitter.com/kWjC3xmELC)

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General Maczek married his wife Zofia in 1928 with whom he had a son and two daughters, living out his final years at his adopted home near the Meadows in Edinburgh. He published his memoirs in 1961, but his achievements were not particularly well documented in Scotland until after his death in 1994 at the age of 102.