

A member of the Kitimat band, Guy Williams was born and grew up in the village of Kitimat. attended the Coquialietza Residential School

there and began his distinguished careers in the salmon fishing industry and as a champion for the rights of his Native people. He moved his family to Richmond in 1944 in order that his five children would have access to the opportunities for higher education, which at that time were unavailable in the north, and to be closer to his work.

Guy Williams was President of the Native Brotherhood of British Columbia, Canada's senior native organization, for two decades, and during his term of office was instrumental in gaining for the Native people of Canada various federal and provincial rights, including voting rights, old age pension, pensions for the blind, rights to extended medical services and the right to participate in the provincial education system. In December, 1971,