(3) UP THE DEMPSTER HIGHWAY AUG OF 1997

The Dempster Highway from Dawson City to Inuvik was a “quieter drive”, by that I mean the peaked mountains were not evident; the land was closer to prairie than mountain. We left the 5th Wheel in Dawson City and drove only the Chevie ¾ Ton >> see pic of Truck at the sign marking the Arctic Circle. Below is a good pic of both the road conditions as well as the great sky shots we enjoyed. There was one Fuel Stop c/w a souvenir outlet. We purchased a coffee cup.

At this time, Aug of 1997, the hwy ended at Inuvik and we did spend some time here, both on the way up to TUK, as well as on the return. Pix below are taken in the museum in Inuvik.

We also bought Ash and Alanna an Inuit Coat > See pix below. We thought this “little Inuit boy would have been good company.

See page 2 below:
One item I omitted from the TUK module was the fact that there was a DEW (Distant Early Warning) Radar Site at TUK. See Folder (1997 Li to Yukon) to view pic.

It must now be about August 14th 1997 and WE must be on time to depart Dawson City on the 15th to take THE TOP OF THE WORLD HIGHWAY into Alaska. As we have 750 miles yet to travel, all on the Dempster Hwy (Gravel); we better hit the road!!

NOTE of interest: I am able to piece together our travels, not by any log, but rather by checking a) dates on the photographs, and b) brief comments on back of pix, mostly by Lois.

Stan in Calabogie, ON 2010-08-23.