Ed was born and raised in North Bay to Fred & Jackie (nee Gauthier of Baie-du-Febvre, Quebec). His family roots in the city date back to 1914 when grandparents Francesco & Giulia arrived. The family became part of the fabric of this city, notably with Valenti's Restaurant and as founding members of the Davedi Club.

A member of the North Bay Real Estate Board, Ed has been a realtor since 1983, and became a part of Century 21 Blue Sky Region Realty in 2003.

His involvement over the years with various Boards and Committees, has given him insight into the issues and expectations of the citizens of North Bay. These Boards and Committees include:

- PAC (2004-2017) ... North Bay's Planning and Advisory Committee a former public forum for citizens to have a healthy discussion about rezoning and development applications prior to City Council presentation.
- Past President of North Bay Real Estate Board (2014)
- Member of North Bay Real Estate Board's consultation committee for the city's adoption of secondary apartment units in single family homes.
- Past Board member with the North Bay Municipal Heritage Committee
- Current chair of Dionne Quints Heritage Board which has allowed Ed to explore in greater detail, the cultural side of North Bay.
- Former president of various sports groups including North Bay Sportsman's Hockey League, and founder of the North Bay Ultimate Frisbee (originally known as the North Bay Frisbee Football League).

North Bay is a city built by CP Rail, expanded by a strong tourism past, a blend of heritage and natural environment. Being a part of its development, is central to Ed and his optimism for the City's possibilities.