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I show that any 4-dimensional Riemannian Ricci-flat metric for which either the SD or the ASD Weyl spinor is type-D has a symmetry and is determined by a solution of the Toda field equation. As a corollary, if there is a second symmetry commuting with the first then the metric is determined by an axisymmetric solution of the flat 3-dimensional Laplacian.