

OBITUARIES

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ADAMS, Harvey Gerald – 73. Debert passed away February 22, 2013 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Westchester, he was a son of the late Thomas and Helena (Brown) Adams. He is survived by his wife, Anna (Thibodeau); sons, Anthony (Rose Anne), Scott, both of Debert; daughter, Shawna (Bruce Higgins), Debert; grandson, Cody; granddaughters, Darian, Brittany; great-grandsons, Brody and Cruze; sisters, Alma, Vernon, B.C., Marilyn, Kitchener, Ont.; "special sons", Kelly Densmore, Troy Dixon, Billy Sinclair. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by brothers, Percy, Ernie, Jim, Gary; sister, Maybarbara. Harvey's wishes were to have a get-together in the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 106, Debert, which was held Saturday, March 2. On-line condolences may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

HARRINGTON, Robina Drummond – 88, Glenholme, passed away Feb. 24th, 2013. She was born August 13th, 1924 in Leslie, Fife, Scotland. She migrated with her parents, John and Agnes Bayne, and nine brothers and three sisters to North Grant, Antigonish Co. One brother, Harry, was born in Canada. Robina, known simply as "Gram", was adored by all her family. Always kind and compassionate, her loving smile, warm hugs and tender heart will be greatly missed. Survived by her loving sons John (Kathy), George (Darlene), Charles (Linda), David (Louise) and daughters Eleanor (James) Aitkens, Rosalie (Richard) Tenderenda, Carol Pash (Mike Doucette), Nancy Harrington (Russell Graham); 18 grandchildren and numerous great and great-great grandchildren. She is also survived by sister Ella (Albert) Ferster, Hamilton, Ont. and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by husband, Walter; infant twins, Wilma and Wallace; parents, John and Agnes Bayne; sisters, Agnes (Haggart) and Bella (Pushie); brothers, Bill, John, Tom, Dave, Wallace, George, John, Alex, and Harry. Funeral service was held February 27 in Erskine United Church, Glenholme with Carol Gillard M.Div. and Rev. Don MacQueen officiating. Spring interment in Terrace Hill Cemetery. Donations may be made to a charity of choice. On-line condolences and donations may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

LAWSON, M. June - 77, Little Bass River and Antigonish, passed away peacefully after a short stay in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, on Tuesday, February 26, 2013. Born in Bass River on June 19, 1935, she was the daughter of the late Bill and Erma MacLaughlin. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 56 years, Dale; her children, Paul (Rigoberto), Toronto; Heather (Jemma), Bass River; Karen, Halifax; Susan (Ken) Stewart, Antigonish; grandchildren, Caitlyn, Trevor and Aletha Stewart; sister, Eva MacLaughlin, Truro, formerly of Penticton, British Columbia; sisters-in-law, Shirley MacLaughlin, Toronto; Dorothy (Arnold) Williams, Green Hill; brother-in-law, Darrell (Margaret), Huntsville, Ontario; many nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her sister, Deannie; brothers, Arthur (Chubb), Ronald (Murray); nephew, Bill. She was a member of St. James United Church and enjoyed serving in the position of secretary for many years. Funeral service was held on Saturday, March 2, 2013, in Riverside United Church, Bass River, Reverend Florence Antle-Brison officiated. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

MCCREADY, Elizabeth Ann (Willis), Truro, passed away at the Mira Long Term Care facility on Thursday evening, February 28, 2013. Surrounded by her loving family, she went peacefully into the arms of her Lord, in her 101st year. Born on July 8, 1912, she was the chosen daughter of her aunt, Blanche (Stoutley) Willis and Isaac Willis. She was predeceased by her husband, Charles Francis McCready in 1974, her daughter, May June, in 2005 and her son Gordon Douglas in 1985, and two infant daughters. Also predeceased by her brothers Isaac, Ralph, Merle and James Willis, sisters Eula Nicholas, Blanche Chase, Helen McLaurin. She is survived by her children Wanda (Edmund) Wootton, Brampton, Ontario; Agnes (Wayne) Lattie, Truro, son Charles (Harriet) McCready of Parrsboro, sons "McCready Brothers", Jim and A.T. She will be sorely missed by her grandchildren Leroy (Joan) McCready, Anna (Willie) Atkinson, Donald (Cathy) McCready, William Spuzak; Katrine (Michael) Dukic, Juanita (Jason) Wootton-Radko, Christina Wootton; Andrea (Gary) Waterman, Jodi (Sam) Gorall, Sheri (Sean) McGrath, Jeffrey (Michelle) Lattie, Connie (Steve) Carswell, Ottawa, Richard (Lynn) Field, Truro, Alyson (Max) McCready, Halifax, Amanda (Pat) Patterson, Truro. She is also survived by twenty-seven great grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren. Surviving also is her brother, John (Helen) Willis, Truro, and many nieces, nephews and cousins. There will be no visitation or service. Cremation has taken place and burial will take place in July when her family will all be together to again celebrate this wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend. On-line condolences may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

CANNING, Lloyd K. "Joe" – 81, of Parrsboro, and formerly of Two Islands passed away peacefully on Friday, March 1, 2013 at the Chignecto Manor, Advocate Harbour. Born in Parrsboro, he was a son of the late Wilbert and Jeanette (Wasson) Canning. He is survived by his companion, Joan Beaman, Parrsboro (and her sons, Larry and David Beaman); daughter, Patricia "P.J." Ripley (David), Lakelands; sister, Peggy O'Para (Richard), Niagara Falls, Ont.; brother, Gerald, Kelowna, B.C.; sister-in-law, Joyce Canning, Parrsboro; special granddaughters, Megan and Anna; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, Murray; sister-in-law, Audrey. Funeral service was held March 5, 2013 with Rev. Tory Byrne officiating. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

DOYLE, Mildred Ileen (Roode), 94, on March 3, 2013, surrounded by the love of her family, passed away peacefully in her own home on Avon St., Bible Hill, where she resided for the past 76 years. Born in Crowes Mills on November 20, 1918, she was the daughter of the late Arthur and Emma (Laing) Roode. For many years she was a valued member of the Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, serving 20 years as the treasurer, as well as a term as president. Besides her parents, Millie was predeceased by her husband Ralph in 1967, son Donald (Duckie), two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; brothers, Ernest, Chesley, Russell; sisters, Ethel, Lena, Jean, Leona, Freda and Ann. She is survived by sons, Bill (RoseMarie), Calgary, Phillip (Liz), Ottawa, Keith "Sonny" (Pam), Art "Butch" (Nancy), both of Truro; daughters, Marilyn (Ronald) Wolfe, Norma (Marshall) Frizzell, Diana Pender, Shelley (Kent) Archibald; daughter-in-law, Coreenne Doyle (late Duckie); sister, Beulah Matthews, all of Truro; twenty grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren and great great-grandchildren. Cremation has taken place. A Memorial Service was held March 6th in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro with Pastor Jean Woods officiating. Online condolences and donations at: www.colchestercommunity.com

GOODWIN, Elwin Patrick – 60, Truro passed away March 3, 2013 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Yarmouth County, he was a son of the late William and Freda (Nickerson) Goodwin. Elwin was a very happy, caring person who loved his family and friends and will be sadly missed by all who knew him. He is survived by sons, Devin (Vicki), Truro Heights, Shawn (Nicole), Onslow Mountain; daughter, Vanessa Melanson, Yarmouth; sister, Wanda (Paul) Whitman, P.E.I.; brother, Eric, Truro; grandchildren, Hazley and Ryerson; aunts, Dorothy Hines, Sharon DeLong; several cousins, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by sister-in-law, Irene. A gathering for family and friends was held March 7 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro. On-line condolences and donations may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

STARRITT, Martin Stuart, passed away suddenly at his home in Bass River, Colchester County, on March 7, 2013 at the age of 67. He was the son of the late Daniel Henry and Pauline Rosemond (Ogden) Starritt. Besides his parents he was predeceased by his sister Sylvia Almas. He is survived by his beloved wife Barbara; sons Kevin, Bass River and Stuart (Ginelle), Timberlea with their children Carter (his understudy) and Calista; step son Michael Stokes of Economy; step daughter Shawna Mont (Kenny) of North River and their children Corey and Tammy; brother Cameron (Judy), Beaver Bank; sister, Lynn (Gary) Selkirk, Truro; as well as many nieces and nephews who loved him dearly. Martin was a life long resident of Bass River. In his early working years he worked with Rockingham Hardware and Michelin Tires, but was happiest when he had the opportunity to work in Bass River with the Dominion Chair Company and several years with David Fulton's Bass River Farms where he had the opportunity to travel extensively throughout eastern Canada and the Eastern United States. In addition he was the care taker of the Bass River United Church Cemetery for over 35 years. Funeral was held, March 11 in Riverside United Church, Bass River with Rev. Florence Antle-Brison officiating. On-line condolences may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com.

MORRIS, Mabel F - 94 of Advocate Harbour and Halifax passed away peacefully Sunday March 10, at her daughter, Verna's home in Lower Sackville. Born in Halifax she was the daughter of the late George and Lucy (Blake) Berringer. She was predeceased by her husband Ashley "Hari" in 2007. She is survived by daughters Verna Jonasson (Wayne), Lower Sackville; Debbie Lyver, Halifax; Diane McTiernan (Tom), New Glasgow; sons, Albert (Judy), St. Catherines, Ont.; Robert "Nick" (Beverly Boutilier), Halifax; Richard (Dale), New Maryland, N.B.; Kenneth (Shirley), Dartmouth; Gregory (Heather), Advocate Harbour. Brother George "Mick" Ottawa, Ont.; Brother-in-Law, Floyd Morris, Advocate, sister-in-Law, Betty Pomeroy Roach, Kingston, Ont. 11 Grandchildren, 22 Great-Grandchildren. Several nieces and nephews. Funeral service was held March 13, 2013 at Smiths Funeral Home, Parrsboro with Keith Selwyn-Smith, DLM officiating. Burial in the Advocate Cemetery at a later date. Online Condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

JORDAN, Dorothy Bernice – 89, McCaul Villa, Great Village, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, on Tuesday evening, March 19, 2013, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre. Born September 19, 1923, in Surrey, Albert County, New Brunswick, she was a daughter of the late Ralph and Nancy (Wells) Bannister. Dorothy is survived by her daughters, Marguerite Gregory (Wendell Rushton), Lower Truro; Phyllis Rushton, Great Village; Paulette (Allen) Rushton, Vanstra, Ontario; Darlene Jordan (Wyman Little), Great Village; eight grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren; sister, Beatrice (Harold) Trites, Pine Glen, New Brunswick; brothers, James Bannister, Henry Bannister, Lewis (Geraldine) Bannister, John (Louise) Bannister, al of Pine Glen, New Brunswick; daughter-in-law, Beverly Jordan, Bass River; several nieces and nephews. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, John Randall Jordan; daughter, Linda Diane Jordan in infancy; sons, John Randall Jordan in infancy; Donald Jordan, Gary Jordan; sister, Myrtle Smith, Helen Bishop, Ethel Bishop; great-great granddaughters, Taylor Williams, Molly Hill. Funeral service was held Monday, March 25, 2013, at Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, Reverend Gary MacDougall officiated. Interment was held in Folly Mountain Cemetery. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

MacINTOSH, Grace H. (Dunlap) – 91, Onslow passed away peacefully surrounded by family on March 20, 2013 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in New Glasgow, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Grace (Lewis) Dunlap. Grace worked in Halifax, Montreal and later upon meeting her husband, Harland, she resided in Parrsboro for 14 years before they moved to Truro where she worked for Wilson Equipment for 20 years. Grace is survived by son, Leigh (Ruth), Moncton, NB; granddaughter, Marie MacIntosh, Moncton, NB; great grandson, Ethan Harland MacIntosh, Moncton, NB; sisters-in-law, Kathryn Ann (MacIntosh) Keddy, Truro, Marjorie (Errol) Seward, Amprion, Ont.; niece, Dorothy Seward; nephews, Michael (Shelley) and David (Nancy) Keddy, Gregory (Andrea), Alan (Caroline) and Kirby (Suzanne) Seward; great nieces, Meghan, Sarah and Erica Keddy, Julia and Jordan Seward; great nephews, Andrew, Peter, James and Evan Keddy, Michael, Corbin, Neil and Paul Seward; step great nieces, Kelly, Sandra, Carrie, Amy; special friend and caregiver, Elizabeth Blair. She was predeceased by her husband of 53 years, George Harland; brother-in-law, Wallace Keddy; nephew, Peter Keddy. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service was held March 26 at St. John's Anglican Church, 25 Church Street, Truro with Rev. Lori Ramsey and Rev. Gary Yetman officiating. Interment at a later date in St. George's Cemetery, Parrsboro. On-line condolences and donations may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

CURRIE, Robert M. "Mel" – 83, of Five Islands passed away Friday, March 22, 2013 at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Five Islands, he was a son of the late Robert Myles and Maude (Wadman) Currie. He served with Canadian Armed Forces (REME) for several years, and was a veteran of the Korean War. He is survived by his wife, the former Pauline Copp; daughters, Mary Currie (Merton Lewis), St. Stephen, N.B.; Edna Strong (Gordon), Parrsboro; Lynn Forbes (Donald), Halifax; Dale Currie (Peter Richardson), Halifax; sons, Neil, Bass River; Dean (Ruth Winch), Truro; step-son, William Copp, Truro; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, Arthur. Funeral service was held March 27, 2013 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the Advocate Cemetery at a later date. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

Bass River Fire Brigade News A HEAVY HEART

By Pete Christensen

Where to begin?

It is with a heavy heart that I begin this month's Fire Hall article. The flag at the hall was taken to half mast last week, the reason being that we lost a great fireman and friend that week. Martin Starritt, the fireman with the big boots and bigger heart passed away at home.

Martin was in the brigade from the beginning of it and stood fast in his support and helpfulness to his brigade, his community and of course his family. His way of considering the options to any problem, and then making the decision to finish what was needed done was his trademark. The fact is that his voice, though soft and mellow, was always listened to and always respected.

Martin had a great laughter and while regaling stories of his travels around the country or a story of mischief from his youth, he would continue laughing till he teared up.

Martin was always available to do whatever was asked of him for hall duties, from fire related exercises in training, to the real deal at structure fires, or at times when the brigade was doing community related exercises such as, dinners at the hall or the Fall auctions through the years to the Firemen's Picnics we used to have, Martin was always involved, and when we were gathering articles for the auc-

tions, such as cast iron stoves, Martin always wanted in the trucks that were picking them up.

I was just a sixteen year old lad when I saw Martin, while I went with my father to help with some of the grounds work for a firemen's picnic one summer. I saw him walking over toward Dad and I and asked Dad who was that man, Dad just said, Oh that is Martin, and I got introduced, so just like on TV, I looked up, wayyy up and said hello, to the Gentle Giant of Bass River. His hand just swallowed mine when we shook hands, and he had his Fedora on then to. A big man, a gentle man, and a great man, one of a kind, a foot above mankind.

In other news, we have ordered some ice rescue suits for the water rescue team, so training on the water rescue craft should begin in the near future.

There will be no Pancake Brunch this year, guess you could say our hearts are not in it this spring.

Also there will be no Fishing Derby this year as well.

Even though the signs of spring are here, snow and ice storms may come our way, so watch your pipes and check your batteries, in case we lose our power.

We will be having an open house in the spring, so keep posted for more info.

Keep your pipes clean.

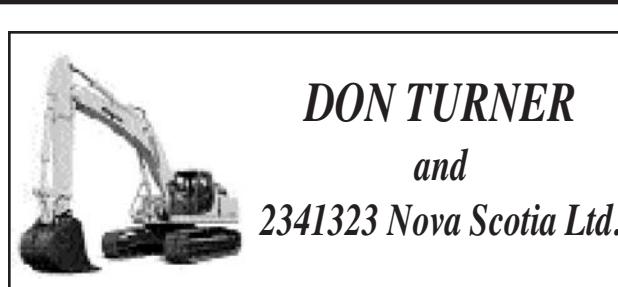
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