

OBITUARIES

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SIMONS, Edward Alexander "ED", age 84 of Merritt, BC, and formerly of Campbell River, BC passed away February 20, 2015. Edward, the oldest of 12 children of Arthur and Grace (Fountain) Simons, was born on February 28, 1931 in Westchester. At the age of 19, Ed joined the Canadian Artillery and served for 15 years in Korea and Europe. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion and a life member of the Korean Veterans Association. After his release from the army he worked in mining and the pulp mills until he retired in 1996. He is survived by his children, Kathy, John, Joanne and Michael from his first marriage to Kathleen Ryan; step-daughters, Diane (Sam) and Barb McKinlay, with whom he lived with until his death; and his remaining brothers and sisters, Art (Noreen), Ken (Gail), Grace, Mary (Don) and Ellen (Dan). He was pre-deceased by his wife, Hilda; his parents, brothers, Gordon and Henry and sisters, Shirley and Jean. A memorial service for Ed will be held on April 25, 2015 at 11 am in Bethany Lutheran Church, 201 Birch Street, Campbell River, BC. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Campbell River Hospital Foundation, Rose Cemetery Fund, Westchester, NS, or a charity of your choice.

MOSHER, Karl Hay, the son of George Mosher and Minnie Crouse, was born on February 10, 1928, in Halifax, and lived in Debert, for most of his life. He married Eleanor Fowler in 1959 and they were the proud parents of Margo Joy, Lisa Robyn, Carla Dawn and Andrew Karl. He leaves his children, his sister, Elaine, and 4 grandchildren; Nicholas, Emily, Jake and Joely. A celebration of Karl's Life was held Sunday, March 29, 2015, at Debert Hospitality Centre, Debert. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com.

McDOW, Clyde Edward - 91, Londonderry. It is with heavy hearts we announce the sudden passing of our father Clyde at his home in Londonderry at the age of 91 on February 22, 2015. Clyde was born in Waterville, Kings County, on January 17, 1924 to the late Robert and Nancy (Deadder) McDow. Clyde worked most of his adult life at Lafarge in Brookfield and retired in 1989. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and playing cribbage. Clyde is survived by his children, Stephen (Linda), Onslow, Allan Dobson, Ontario, Kevin Dobson, Londonderry, Margaret (Scott) Lynds, North River, daughters-in-law, Susan and Florence Dobson; half-sisters, Millie, Toronto, Marion Babcock, Port William, Goldie Keddy, Berwick, Beulah Anderson, Houlton, Maine; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Mildred (George); son, Robert Dobson; grandson, Gage Lewis; brothers, Murray and Jack. A memorial service was held February 26 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Natasha DeVito officiating. On-line condolences may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

McNUTT, Leland Stanford - 88, Debert passed away February 23, 2015 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Lower Debert, he was the son of the late Frederick and Lily Mae (Vance) McNutt. Leland began farming and then logging and trucking which became a great passion in his life. He was also a lifetime member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 106 in Debert. He was always a person who loved to help anyone who needed assistance. He loved to sing though often just to himself. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Doris; daughter, Janet (Wilbert) Milbury, Amherst; son, David (Lisa) Debert; sister, Dorothy Hingley, Bible Hill; grandchildren, Craig Milbury and Laureen (Blair) Oatley; great grandson, Ethan Oatley; nieces, Donna Kay (Wayne Horne), and sons, Terry and Blayne Kay, Marlene (David) Arenburg and children, Heidi and Josh; nephews, Wally and Darrell Hingley, Fred Johnston. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by sisters, Ethel and Mae. A memorial service was held March 1st at 2 pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Carol Gillard officiating. On-line condolences at www.colchestercommunity.com

DAYE, James "Jim" Percy - 61, Bible Hill passed away unexpectedly, February 24, 2015 at home. Born in Truro, he was the eldest son of Mary (Harrington) and the late Percy Daye. Jim was a lifelong truck driver for Thompson's Transfer, Gerald Battist Trucking and a very proud MBW Courier tractor-trailer driver. He was an avid card player, especially 45's and crib. Besides his mother, he is survived by spouse, Verna Cox and her sons, Donald (Lisa) Cox, Darren (Beth Hayman) Cox both of Bible Hill; sisters, Velma (Allen) Tattrie, Rosemary Daye (Doran), Virginia Simpson (Bill), Dawn (Sam) Rafuse, Donna (David) Hunter; brothers, Clarence "Bucky" (Janie), Robert (Shelley); several nieces and nephews. He will also be missed by his cats, "Sister" and "Mona". He was predeceased by his father. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service was held March 1st at 6:30 pm, both in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Scott Penner and Rev. John Parsons officiating. On-line condolences at www.colchestercommunity.com

CROSSMAN, Judy Dianne - 66, Debert, passed away Thursday, February 26, 2015, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro, with her children at her side. Born in Lower Onslow, she was a daughter of the late Percy and Marion (Wood) Gill. Judy is survived by her sons, Robert, Laurie (Karla), Debert; and will be greatly missed by her grandchildren, Aaron, Brett, Nick, Marcus; brothers, Cyril, Percy (Shirley), Belmont, Lawrence of Bible Hill; sister-in-law, Evelyn Gill; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her dearly loved husband, Douglas Eugene Crossman; brothers, Rex, Ralph, Cecil; sister, Verna. A celebration of Judy's life was held Saturday, March 14 2015, at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 106, Debert. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

PEPPARD, Bertha Elizabeth (Dean) - 75, Onslow Mountain. It is with heavy hearts, that we announce the passing of Bertha, suddenly, on February 27, 2015 at the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro, NS. Born June 19, 1939 in Newton Mills, she was a daughter of the late Haliburton and Agnes Dean (Hamilton), and step-daughter of John Dunlap. She was a generous soul, who would always put the needs of her family and others before her own. Bertha is survived by her husband of almost 60 years, Calvin; sons, Bert, Jim and Roy; sisters, Anna (Len) Martin, Tilly (Bill) Harrison, Shirley (Harold) Stairs, Kathy Downing; brother, George Dunlap; grandchildren, Roselea (Jason Heim) and Matthew (Pam Wilmont); great grandchildren, Scott, Hunter, Morgan, Ryder; many nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, Bertha was predeceased by infant daughter, Rosalie; sisters, Mary and Irene; brothers, Tom, Mark, Jim, Hally, Robert and Andrew in infancy. Memorial service was held on March 6, 2015 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, in Truro, with Rev. Glenn MacLean officiating. Spring interment in Belmont Cemetery. On-line condolences at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

GREEN, George William F. "Bill" - 60, Central Onslow passed away February 28, 2015 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Truro, he was the only son of the late William and Inez (Fleming) Green. He is survived by his wife, Lynn (Hollingsworth); son, Jason and daughter-in-law, Stephanie (Pineo) Green.; sisters, Pauline Oldford, Sharron (Ronald) Hill and Bonny Whitehead. At Bill's request there will be no funeral service and no flowers, please. Visitation and reception was held March 5 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro. In the early summer, there will also be a celebration of Bill's life at his son's home. On-line condolences at www.colchestercommunity.com

SMITH, Carol Jean - It is with a great deal of sadness that the family of Carol Jean Smith announces her passing on March 1, 2015, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Carol was born on August 27, 1942, in Truro, and was the daughter of the late Lewis and Alice (MacKenzie) Reid. Carol is survived by her daughters, Deborah Smith, Toronto; Denise (Steven) Rector, Crowes Mills; Darlene (Leo) Mason, Upper Stewiacke; grandchildren, Celina Theriault; Nicole, Mitchell and Matthew Rector; Blake, Dustin, Emma-Marie and Miranda Mason, all of whom she loved dearly; sisters, Alice (Harold) Ahlberg-Eckhardt, Brantford, Ontario; Phyllis Schenck, Texas; Mary Lou (Ken) Fletcher, Kingston, Ontario; brothers, Carl (Brenda) Reid, Valley; Gordon (Sylvia) Reid, Harmony Ridge; sisters-in-law, Ruth Reid, Brule; Joan (Roger) Langille, Harmony Ridge; Hilda Reid, Crowes Mills and many nieces and nephews who loved her dearly. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her sisters, Betty Baird, Doris Prime, Joan Reid; brothers, Earl, Alvin, Eldridge, Irvin, Jack, Victor, Donald, Fred and Phillip. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Thursday, March 5, 2015, Reverend Cory Somers officiated. Spring interment in Crossroads Cemetery, Valley. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

JOHNSON, Ivan M. "Pete" - 82 of Londonderry passed away on March 2, 2015 at the Mira. He is survived by wife, Bertha; daughters, Jocelyn, Cindy, Piper, Laura, Andrea, Sheila; son, Peter; brother, Alden. He was predeceased by daughter, Christine; mother, Alice; father, Melville; sisters, Lillian, Katherine, Alice Mona; brothers, Ron, Morris, Arthur, Gerald and Eugene. Pete was instrumental in purchasing the former Londonderry School for the community "Acadia Mines". He was a past member of Londonderry's I.O.O.F and Rebekah Lodges, a volunteer fireman and also served as a fire commissioner. He also ran "Pete's Place" in Great Village, was a licensed electrician and auctioneer, a Colchester County Councillor for District 10 and was an active member of the former Londonderry Athletic Association. There will be no service or visitation by request. Donations in his memory may be made to Hillcrest Cemetery, Londonderry. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. On-line condolences may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

SKINNER, Ruby, 79, of Great Village, NS passed away on March 4, 2015 at Colchester East Hants Health Centre. She was born in Hermitage, Newfoundland. Ruby was the daughter of the late William and Bertha (Francis) Simms. Ruby lived in Great Village with her daughter Trudy for the past seven years. She was a member of the St. Saviours Anglican Church and LOBA in Hermitage; a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 72 Great Village and Ladies Fire Auxilliary in Great Village. Ruby is survived by her sons, Hughie, and Todd (Edna), both of Hermitage; Cliff, Grovedale, Alberta; Victor (Melissa) Grand Prairie, Alberta; daughters, Gloria (Edgar) Morris, Hermitage, Trudy (Glen) MacNeil, Great Village; grandchildren, Lindo Simms, Jonathon and Kayla Skinner, Richard and Andrew MacNeil, Shavana Simms, and Dylan Skinner; sisters Ethel Dealhoy, Huntsville, Ontario, Phyllis Rose, Whitby, Ontario, and Blanche Millar, Bedford, Nova Scotia; numerous nieces and nephews along with her best friend Betty MacNeil. She was predeceased by her husband, Clarence Skinner; brothers, Edgar, Max, Gerald, Ernest, Clifford, and Lindo; sisters, Eva and Greta. A celebration of Ruby's life was held at the Great Village Royal Canadian Legion Branch 72 in Great Village on March 8, 2015 from 2-4 with a Legion Tribute Service at 2 pm. Her funeral will be at St Saviours Anglican church in Hermitage, Newfoundland at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 72 or to St. Saviours Anglican Church Hermitage. On-line condolences are available at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

GOODWIN, Bryce D. - 92, Truro, passed away peacefully in his sleep, on Wednesday, March 4, 2015, at Wynn Park Villa, Truro. Born April 17, 1922, he was a son of the late Calvin and Lillian (Matthews) Goodwin. Bryce was predeceased by his wife and soulmate of 66 years, Marie (Graham); son, Wayne in infancy; sister, Madeline; brother, Percy. Bryce is survived by his second wife, Annie (Shipley); daughter, Diane Neal (Wayne), Ontario; sons, Harry Goodwin (Lois), Lower Onslow; Dwight Goodwin, Vancouver; grandsons, David, Derek and Dwight Neal, Ontario; Greg, Bryce and Todd Goodwin, of Ontario, British Columbia and Nova Scotia; seven great grandchildren; sister, Wanda Comeau (Paul), Truro; brother, Terry, Truro. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Sunday, March 8, 2015, Pastor Bill Martin officiated. Spring interment in Belmont Cemetery. Full obituaries and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

HENWOOD, J. Clifford - Age 80, of Parrsboro Roads passed away Thursday, March 5, 2015 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Springhill, he was a son of the late Isaac and Edith (Phinney) Henwood. He is survived by sisters, Kathleen "Kay" Willigar, Barbara MacKenzie (Duncan), Loretta Taylor, all of Parrsboro; Stella Henwood (Mike Hughes), Halifax; brothers, William "Billy", Leonard, Gordon (Joanne), all of Parrsboro Roads; chosen brother, Dennis Blenkhorn, River Hebert; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by sisters, Muriel and Cassie in infancy; brothers, Philip and Ronald; brothers in law, Bennie Willigar and Ralph Taylor. Funeral service was held March 9, 2015 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Rev. Dawn Léger officiating. Burial in West Bay Cemetery at a later date. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

GLEN, Dorothy Beatrice, 88, Debert passed away on March 6, 2015 at the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Dorothy was born in Woodford, England, December 30, 1926. She worked many years with her husband on their dairy farm in Debert. She also ran a second-hand store in Debert. Dorothy may have been best known for all her years of volunteer work and instruction with the St. John's Ambulance First Aid courses. Dorothy is survived by her daughter, Angela, Debert; sons, Roger Slingo, England, Robert and Michael both of Debert; grandchildren, Torry Glen-Higgins, Pamela Glen, Ethan Glen, Marcia MacKenzie; brother, Malcolm and sister, Iris, both of England. Dorothy was predeceased by her husband, William; brother, Reg; sister, Margaret. No visitation by request. A Celebration of Life service was held March 11th at 2 p.m. in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro with Rev. Carol Gillard officiating. On-line condolences at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

GILBERT, Cedric J. - Age 94, of New Canaan, Cumberland County passed away peacefully in the presence of his three sons on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in New Canaan, he was a son of the late Maurice and Kathleen (Nicholson) Gilbert. Cedric lived in New Canaan and Lakelands for most of his life, except for during the war when he served overseas from 1941-1945. Cedric was predeceased by his beloved wife, Mary in 2011; his brothers, Chesley, Calvin, Courtney, Coryllass, Clyde, Craig and Cleveland. Cedric will be greatly missed by his sons, Jeffrey (Jan), Ashton, Ont.; Allan, Ottawa; Brian (Celeste), Lower Sackville; his brother, Curtis, Ottawa; grandchildren, Jennifer (Jeff), Michael (Lesia), Kenda (Troy), Jon, Ryan (Debbie), Natasha (Carson); great grandchildren, Maddison, Cassie, Lily, Calleigh, Patrick, Donovan, Brayden and Riley. He will be also be missed by Dean Reddy, Skip & Margo Gilbert, and Norby Meldrum. Funeral service was held March 10, 2015 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Rev. Dawn Léger officiating. Spring burial in St. George's Anglican Cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

RIPLEY, Eva L. - Age 94, of Lakelands, Cumberland County passed away Saturday, March 7, 2015 at The Mira, Truro. Born in Aulac, N.B., she was a daughter of the late Walter and Albertha (Stiles) Smith. She is survived by daughters, Margaret Nichol (Robert), Cold Lake, Alta.; Meredith Brown (Bill), Halifax; Jacqueline Sexton, Thorold, Ont.; Joan Fife (Angus), Lakelands; Rosalie Pettigrew (Hughie), Lakelands; sons, Dennis, Annapolis Valley; David (P.J.), Albert (Barb), all of Lakelands; sisters, Freda Anderson, Surrey, B.C.; Clara Evans, Debert; brother, Robert, Tignish; several grandchildren, great grandchildren and a great-great granddaughter. She was predeceased by her husband, Garfield in 2007; a son, Herbert; a sister, Evelyn; brothers, Maxwell, Harvey, Kenny. Funeral service was held March 11, 2015 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Rev. Philip Scott officiating. Spring burial in the Parrsboro United Cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

SINGER, Ronald Lloyd - 71, Truro passed away March 9, 2015 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Truro, he was a son of the late Lloyd and Gweneith (Stevens) Singer. Ronald enjoyed sports, fishing bass and especially watching his grandsons play hockey. He also loved vacationing in Florida. He is survived by his wife Donna (Goodwin); son, Greg (Becky), Truro; daughter, Kelly (Craig), Fraser, Debert; grandchildren, Matthew Jenner, Nicholas and Nathaniel Singer, Kourtney and Lindsay Fraser; father-in-law, Terrance Goodwin; sister-in-law, Cheryl (Paul) Hominick; brothers-in-law, Larry (Barbara) Goodwin, Duane (Trudy) Goodwin; several nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by brother, Gilmore. Funeral service was held March 12 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Natasha DeVito officiating. Spring interment in Middle Road Cemetery, Debert. On-line condolences may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

CLARKE, Hugh E. - 84, of Parrsboro passed away Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Parrsboro, he was a son of the late George and Fauline (Yorke) Clarke. Hugh was a veteran of the Korean War. He was a life member of Legion Branch #45, Parrsboro and Branch #258, Toronto. He is survived by his companion, June; a son, Lawrence "Larry" (Susan), Oshawa, Ont.; 4 grandchildren, Christopher Thompson (Alexis), Scarborough, Ont.; Donna Clarke (Henry), Cold Lake, Alta.; Elaine Clarke (Mike), Haliburton, Ont.; Jennifer Clarke, Oshawa; 3 great grandchildren, Adam, Kaylee, Brady; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, the former Charlotte "Floy" Mills; a daughter, Donna; a sister, Elenor; brothers, John, Roy "Red", George, Paul. A graveside service will be held in the Diligent River Baptist Cemetery at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Parrsboro Legion, Branch #45. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

DOWE, Perry A. - Age 77, of Ward's Brook, Cumberland County passed away Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Ward's Brook, he was a son of the late Perry and Marie (Allen) Dowe. Perry worked at the Wagstaff and Hatfield Shipyard in Port Greville for many years. He also worked with his brothers operating Dowe Brothers Contracting. Upon his retirement, he worked with his daughter at Durant's Bottle and Recycling Depot in Parrsboro. Perry was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting, fishing and gardening. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with his family. He is survived by daughters, Tanya Dowe (Bill Durant), Parrsboro; Heather Winters (Mike), New Prospect; Jessica Amon, Ward's Brook; sisters, Leona Dowe, Vivian Duguay, both of Ward's Brook; Ruby Crossman (Culton), Halifax; Marion Legere, Parrsboro; Althea Legere (Pat), Enfield; Faye George (Willie), Helen George (Johnny), all of Acton, Ont.; brothers, Allan (Judy) Wheaton, Wards Brook; Kenny (Carol), Diligent River; grandchildren, Haley Winters (Landon Crowe), Valley; Claire Winters and Ava Winters, both of Halifax; Will Durant, Parrsboro; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, the former Donna McCulley in 1986; brothers, Sterling, Bill and Isaac. Funeral Service was held at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro March 13, 2015, Rev. Dawn Léger officiating. Burial in Holy Trinity Cemetery, Fox River at a later date. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

WILE, Nancy Anne (Harrison) - 68, Fall River/Bass River. The passing occurred on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at the Q.E. II Infirmary, Halifax, N.S. Born in Springhill, N.S. she was the daughter of Audrey (Skidmore) Ryan and the late Cecil Harrison. Nancy was an outdoors enthusiast who enjoyed camping, fishing and gardening. She was the center of the family home and was also well known in the Bass River community for her excellent baking skills. Besides her mother, Nancy is survived by her son, Michael, Toronto; daughter, Marnie (Mel) Starrett, Fall River; four step-grandchildren, Melanie (Michelle), Amanda (Michael), Julia (Tim), and Scott; brother, Donald (Margie); many nieces and nephews; and her favorite four-legged companion "Pussy Cat" She was predeceased by her husband, Owen Wile, her father, Cecil Harrison and by step-fathers, Doug Rae and Donald Ryan; uncle, Douglas Skidmore. A memorial gathering was held March 22nd in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. On-line condolences may be made at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

CONNORS, William J. "Bill" - 82, of Parrsboro passed away Friday, March 20, 2015 at Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Parrsboro, he was a son of the late Bernard and Kathleen (Warren) Connors. Bill was a self-employed contractor, specializing in carpet and cushion floor installation, as well as interior painting. Upon his retirement to the Parrsboro area, he was a most active volunteer sharing his expertise and hard work to numerous organizations. Bill was recognized with the Queen Elizabeth Jubilee Medal for his volunteerism in the community. He was a long serving member of the Knights of Columbus, Minas Masonic Lodge No. 67, Parrsboro and was Past President of Legion Branch No. 45, Parrsboro. He is survived by his wife, Florence (Beaton) (Downs) Connors; a daughter, Shelly Hodgson (Scott), Porters Lake; a step-daughter, Louise Downs, Quebec; step-sons, Ronald Downs (Maureen), Enfield; Philip Downs (Robin), Lantz; sisters, Joan Stewart, Dartmouth; Judy Roberts (David), Two Islands; grandchildren, Laura Hodgson; Janna and Luke Connors; a great grandchild; 6 step-grandchildren, Lindsay and Michelle Downs, Enfield; Amelia and Myra Szczepanski, Quebec; Dylan and Evan Downs, Lantz. He was predeceased by his first wife, Marjorie Milton; a son, David; brothers, Frank, Charles; a granddaughter, Sarah Jane. Funeral services will be held in St. Brigid's Catholic Church at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to St. Brigid's Church, Parrsboro. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

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