

OBITUARIES

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PEPPARD, Marjorie Evelyn – 82, Bedford, passed away suddenly, while vacationing in St. Petersburg, Florida, on Friday evening, February 16, 2018. Born in Great Village, she was a daughter of the late Matthew and Louise (Rose) Peppard. Marjorie is survived by her sister, Ruth Peppard; brothers, Kenneth (Dianne) Peppard, James (Blanche) Peppard; nieces and nephews, Carla (Vincent) MacNeil, Karen (Jim) Weatherby, Sterling (Paula) Peppard, Jim (Szu) Peppard, Cynthia (Aaron) Gallagher, Stephanie Patriquin, Alan Peppard, Sandra (Dean) Mushanski, Anna Peppard; 14 grand-nieces and nephews; five great grand-nieces and nephews. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her brother, John (Marie) Peppard; niece, Donna (Tim) Martell. A public graveside service in Mahon Cemetery, Great Village will be announced at a later date. If so desired, donations in Marjorie's memory to a charity of choice are welcomed. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

PORTER, Donald Eugene of Fort Belcher, NS, passed away at his home on Monday, February 26, 2018. He was born in Masstown, NS, on January 2, 1935, the youngest child of George and Mary (Putnam) Porter. Donald attended the NSAC and then, instead of continuing to MacDonald College as was his plan, he purchased a farm with his brother, Arthur. This decision provided an ideal place to raise their families. Shortly after taking up residence at the farm, Donald married his high school sweetheart, Helen Elliott Atkinson. They remained on the farm for the 55 years of their married life and raised five children together. Donald gave many years of service to the dairy industry beyond his own farm, including as a Director on Dairy Farmers of Canada, the producer representative on the Nova Scotia Dairy Commission and as Director and then Chair for Scotsburn Co-operative Services Limited. He also made significant contributions to the harness racing industry; raising horses was one of his greatest pleasures. He was proud of his contribution to the establishment of the West Colchester United Arena as the chair of the fund-raising committee and later chair of the board. His sons and grandchildren were among the many who benefitted from the establishment of minor hockey in the area. This initiative was just one of the many ways he shared his love of the sport which had been fostered on "the pond" in Masstown and highlighted by his play in the District League. Donald and Helen enjoyed travelling in their RV, making many trips far and wide, including one to Alaska and two to Mexico. Their travelling companions included many old friends and a wide variety of new ones. They also enjoyed Sunday drives, dancing and cribbage. There are not many roads in Nova Scotia that Donald did not take the family down at least once. Donald is survived by his five children, Beth (Terry) MacMichael, Patti (Kevin) Budd, Susan (Bob Derosier), George (Barbara) and Alan (Jennifer), 22 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister and her husband, Joyce and Don Goodspeed, sister-in-law, Dawn Porter and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, his sisters and their husbands, Frances (Ernie) Pash, Dorothy, (Glen) Rice, brothers, Arthur and John (and John's wife, Vivian) and foster brother and wife, Jack (Minerva) Vaughan as well as great granddaughter, Annabelle Budd. The family would like to thank the Palliative Care team, the VON, and the rest of his health care team for their excellent care and support. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service is being planned for a later date. Memorial donations can be made to the Colchester Hospice Society, the West Colchester United Arena, or the charity of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro where on-line condolences may be made at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

Marshall, Lloyd G. - 81, Truro, passed away Sunday, February 25, 2018, at home. Born in Earlton, he was a son of late Daniel and Margaret (Cavanaugh) Marshall. He is survived by his wife, Carol Lucille (Roode) Marshall; son, Rob (Sarah), Edmonton, AB; daughter, Judy Marshall, Truro; step-sons, Brian Nichols (Kathy), Onslow Mountain; Barry Nichols (Denise), Upper Belmont; Randy Nichols (Gloria), Calgary, AB; Robbie Nichols (Fanny), Calgary, AB; step-daughters, Kathy Morrissey (Roger), Belmont; Sherry Nichols, Truro; Nancy Lee-Owe (Pascal), Calgary, AB; Gail Nichols, Fall River; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by brothers, Roderick, Gardner, Ernie, Carson; sisters, Edna, Lena, Belle, Annie, Bessie, Loretta, Sadie. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro where the funeral service was held Friday, March 2, 2018, Reverend Glenn MacLean officiated. Interment was held in Belmont Cemetery, Belmont. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

BLACK, Anastasia "Ann" – 70, Marshville, Pictou County, passed away Monday, February 26, 2018, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro, after suffering a heart attack. Born in New Glasgow, she was a daughter of the late Clement and Josephine (MacIsaac) Ryan. Ann is survived by her husband, Ron; children, Lee (Heather) Black, Belmont; Ronda (Brian) Burchartz, Oshawa, Ontario; Michael Black, Onslow; grandchildren, Danica (Andrew) Earnshaw, Tabitha Black (James Van Der Groef), Cullen Burchartz, Kyle Black, Nina Burchartz, Connor Black, Natasha White, Ella Burchartz, Mia Burchartz; siblings, Clem (Sandra) Ryan, Winnipeg, Manitoba; Mary (Aurel) Robichaud, Moncton, New Brunswick; Ray (Leonard) Dennis, Truro; Johnny (Maureen) Ryan, Ontario; Lawrence (Brenda) Ryan, Alberta; Evelyn (Ed) Conwath, Truro Heights; several nieces and nephews. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her brothers, Michael Ryan, Ralph Ryan. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, March 3, 2018, at Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church, 669 Prince Street, Truro, Father Dariusz Miskowicz officiated. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

McELHINNEY, Emma Marie – 88, Lower Debert, passed away Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Bass River, she was a daughter of the late Lester and Winnie (Ellis) Carde. Marie is survived by her sister, Doreen (Glenn) Putnam, Masstown; sister-in-law, Marilyn Glenjen, Truro; brother-in-law, Walter (Jean) McElhinney, Onslow; nieces and nephews, Patti (Archie) McLellan, Donald Putnam, Donna (Dennis) Gertridge, Margie (Bill) Andrews, Bruce (Sharon) McElhinney, David (Anne Marie) McElhinney, Ian (Tania) McElhinney, Donald (Katherine) Glenjen, Doug Glenjen, Gail (Colin) Hamilton; great nephew, Brandon (Kaley) McLellan; several other great nieces and great nephews. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Arthur Burton McElhinney; sisters, Joyce Carde, Frances (Earl) Hollis; brothers, Jimmie Carde, Leo (Doris) Carde; brother-in-law, Terje Glenjen. Funeral service was held Saturday, March 3, 2018, at Erskine United Church, 983 Highway 2, Glenholme, Reverend Carolyn Rushton officiated. Interment was in Folly Village Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

Totten, Ruth Elizabeth, 72, Debert, died peacefully on February 27, 2018 surrounded by her family. Ruth was born June 26, 1945 in Truro, the daughter of the late Frank and Ida Taylor. Ruth thoroughly enjoyed gardening and was a founding member of the Debert Garden Club. She had many other creative hobbies such as cake decorating, ceramics and knitting. Ruth was a member of the Debert Fire Brigade Ladies Auxiliary for many years. She enjoyed spending quality time with her family, helping to organize family picnics, BBQ's and bonfires. Ruth took pleasure in going for drives to Debert Mountain and day trips with her husband Ted. Ruth is survived by her loving husband, Ted Totten, three children, Jeff and Tom Totten and Tracy Mercer as well as seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents, several siblings and one grandson. Ruth will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her. No visitation by request. A Celebration of Life in her honor was held March 4th in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Donations to the Alzheimer's Society or to a charity of choice would be greatly appreciated. On-line condolences may be made to: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

Clews, Thomas "Wayne" – 77, Hilden, passed away on Friday, March 2, 2018 at home, surrounded by family. Born in Truro, he was a son of the late Thomas and Florence (Williams-Smith) Clews. Wayne was a volunteer member in the Brookfield and Truro Fire Departments for several years. He was a member of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 26, Truro. In his younger years he was a Police Constable in Marysville, NB. Wayne was a carpenter of all trades. In his retirement years, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Surviving are his wife of forty years, Marolyn; children, Shelly Clews (Rod DeViller), Truro, Linda (David) Crockett, NB, Thomas "Greg" Clews (Patti), NB; Charlene Lucas, NB; 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren; sister, Donna (George) MacNeil, Onslow Mountain. Wayne was predeceased by his brother, Fred Smith. Funeral service was held March 5 with Rev. Paul Worden officiating in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro. Interment in Robie Street Cemetery at a later date. Donations in memory may be made to a charity of choice. Private messages of condolence may be made by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com

Palmer, Una A. – Age 87, of Amherst and formerly of Apple River went home to be with her Lord on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Apple River, she was a daughter of the late Delbert and Bessie (Slocum) McWhirter. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, the Rev. Jack W. Palmer; her daughters, Sandra Irving (Gordon), Bedford; Karen Downie (Bill), Quispamsis, N.B.; her grandchildren, Jason Downie, Julianna (Irving) Melanson (Jeffery), Jacalyn (Downie) MacLean (David), and Jeffrey Irving; her great granddaughter, the joy of her life for the past 7 years, Ciara MacLean; her sister, Stella Watson; her sister-in-law, Irene McWhirter. She was predeceased by sisters, Phyllis Bailey (Franklyn) and Laura Merriam (Lloyd); her brother, Donald. She was also predeceased by Jack's sister, Joyce and her husband, Chesley Green with whom she had a special relationship, visiting and travelling with them at least once every year. Una also had special relationships with all her nieces and nephews, 16 great nieces and nephews, and 12 great-great nieces and nephews. She was especially close with her niece, Joyce Jeffrey (Jim), great niece, Lori Carr (Wayne), great nephew, Chris Jeffrey and great-great nieces, Bailey and Ashley Carr. Una was always active in the various churches she and Jack pastored and attended. Music was always a personal love and she played the piano for several choirs and nursing home activities. She loved to sing and sang in many choirs over the years, and sang duets and quartets with family and friends. She was a Dominion Life Member of the Atlantic Baptist Women and held several positions in this group over the years. Una loved to quilt and crochet, and gave many special quilts to her family and friends. Una and Jack loved to travel visiting England, Scotland, Israel and many European countries, as well as crossing Canada and over half of the United States. When they visited England, they enjoyed spending time with Jack's cousin, Jean Snell. She will be dearly missed by her family and friends. May she rest now in God's care. Funeral Service was held March 10, 2018 at First Baptist Church, the Rev. Byron Corkum officiated. Burial in the Advocate Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to First Baptist Church, Amherst. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

LEWIS, Leland R. "Lee" – Age 83, of Lower Five Islands passed away Monday, March 5, 2018 at the Colchester-East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Five Islands, he was the youngest son of the late Ralph and Alice (Patterson) Lewis. Leland attended school in Five Islands and Bass River. On finishing high school, he joined the RCAF and trained as a pilot. In 1955, he was posted to 2 Fighter Wing in France which was part of Canada's commitment to NATO at the time. It was while there that he met Marion Burt, a school teacher in the Department of Defence school system. They were married on his return to Canada in 1959. They moved to Dartmouth where Marion taught at Dartmouth High School while Leland attended Dalhousie University. During this time, two of their children, Lorraine and Katherine were born. On graduating with a Civil Engineering Degree, they lived in several communities in New Brunswick. Their third child, Kenneth was born in Saint John and Carolyn, their youngest, in Fredericton. Their next move was to Nelson, B.C., living there for four years before returning to Nova Scotia. Marion died in November of 2007 and Leland moved back to his native Five Islands in 2012. Leland enjoyed skiing, travelling, camping, canoeing and golf. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by brothers Curtis (Elizabeth) and Lawrence in infancy. He leaves behind Mina Berry, a dear friend and companion during his last few years. He is survived by his children, Lorraine, Katherine and Kenneth, all of Halifax; Carolyn Hissen (Helmut), Victoria, B.C.; three grandchildren, Alison, Patrick and Zeus, all of Victoria. Funeral service was held March 9, 2018 at St. George's Anglican Church, Parrsboro, the Rev. Dr. Brian Spence officiated. Burial in the Lower Five Islands Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Phoenix Youth Programs or a food bank of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

MOORE, Marion Ethel – 91, Five Islands, Colchester County, passed away quietly on Monday, March 5, 2018, at Cedarstone Enhanced Care, Truro. Born in Five Islands, she was the only daughter of the late Everett and Alice (Corbett) Leslie. Marion is survived by her daughter, Carolyn Moore, Wolfville; sons, Eric (Debbie), Economy; Danny (Judith), Bedford; grandchildren, Amy (Shawn), Windsor Junction; Charles Moore (Michelle), Lumsden, Saskatchewan; great grandchildren, Callie, Sarah, Austin, Nelly, Jace; Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her former husband, Lloyd Moore; brother, Allen Leslie. Funeral service was held Saturday, March 10, 2018, in Peniel United Church, 913 Highway 2, Five Islands, Reverend Florence Antle-Brison officiated. Interment at a later date in Peniel United Church Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

DOOLITTLE, Georgia Maude "Jo" - 90, Truro, passed away Tuesday, March 6, 2018, in Wynn Park Villa, Truro. Born in Little Bass River, she was a daughter of the late George and Freda (Newton) Starritt. She is survived by her sisters, Irene O'Hara, Belleville, ON; Geneva Rushton, Economy; three step-children; nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Harry Doolittle in 1993; sisters, Hazel Johnston, Audrey Starritt; brothers, Walter and Donald Starritt. No visitation or funeral service by Jo's request. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

QUINN (Gilbert), Ritta L. - Age 94, of Halfway River, and formerly of Parrsboro passed away Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the Centennial Villa in Amherst. Born in New Prospect, she was a daughter of the late Frank and Clara (MacAloney) Hiltz. She is survived by her children, Howard and Joan Quinn; Frank and Nancy Quinn; Lynne and Glen Gallagher; Yvonne Quinn and David Bartlett; sisters, Agnes Skidmore; Blanche Fitzgerald; 8 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; 12 great-great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Harold Quinn in 1985; her second husband, Calvin Gilbert in 1996; sisters, Ruth, Frances; brothers, William, Claude, Hugh, Freeman and George; a beloved great-grandson, Ryan. Funeral service was held March 10, 2018 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Rev. Brock Shaver officiated. Burial in the Parrsboro United Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Centennial Villa or to a charity of choice. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

DICKINSON, Anne W. – Age 72, of Ottawa and formerly of West Brook. We are saddened to announce the passing of Anne Dickinson at the Ottawa General Hospital on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 following a short illness. Born in 1945 in Springhill, she was a daughter of the late Seymour and Louise (D'Orsay) Dickinson. Anne attended schools in West Brook, Parrsboro, Acadia University and University of Saskatchewan (Regina Campus). Anne's working life centred around her love of travel and as a travel agent, planning trips for people who shared her desire to explore other parts of the world. Anne is survived by brother, David Dickinson (Karen), West Brook; sisters, Emily Miller (Cyrus), Middleton; Elizabeth Stokesbury, Gaspereau; Sybil Brown (Alfred), Bass River; many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her brother-in-law, Dr. James Stokesbury and grandnephew Simon Miller. There will be no public service but a private family committal will follow later in the Spring at the West Brook Cemetery. If you wish to honour Anne's memory, donations may be made to any local animal shelter, the Canadian Cancer Society or to a charity of your choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

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