

OBITUARIES

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She was a survivor of alcoholism and 'The Serenity Prayer' was a touchstone within her life. She lived the last 27 years of life in the beautiful community of Apple River where she found peace and inspiration. Cathy was predeceased by her mother, Sarah Helen (Milner) Myers; her father, Rudolph Myers; a brother Ralph Myers; and husband, Bill Hackett. She was the last surviving member of her immediate family. Funeral service was held March 22, 2019 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Shelly Trenholm officiating. Donations may be made to CARMA (Cat Rescue Maritimes), Rocking Horse Ranch and Rehabilitation Centre or the Canadian Cancer Society. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com.

BROWN, Marion Anne - 57, Central Onslow, passed away suddenly March 19, 2019. Daughter of the late William and Isabelle (Lunn) Brown. Marion is survived by her sister, Carolyn Brown, brother, Bill Brown and family, Carolyn Harvie, Brian Harvie, Betty and Art Burge and Betty Brown. Marion enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, lexicon, gardening, knitting and loved her two cats. Cremation has taken place under the care of Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. Online messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

BLACKIE, Skyler Lee - 28, Debert. It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Skyler Lee Blackie, on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at the New Halifax Infirmary, QEII, Halifax, following a tragic accident while training on March 9, 2019. Skyler was surrounded by the love of his family and firefighting community. Through Skyler's gift of donation, his legacy and strength will live on in others. Born in Kingston, Ontario, he was a much loved son of Blaine and Cheryl Ann (Noiles) Blackie. Skyler graduated from Lockview High School in Fall River in 2009. He was a certified life guard and received a medal for his life saving efforts. A volunteer firefighter since the age of 18, he was trained through Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Services and served as a Lieutenant with Station 45 in Fall River; during this time he attended NSCC and received his HVAC certification and then began his career as a firefighter with Truro Fire Service on October 1, 2013. Along with his parents, Skyler is survived by his loving wife and best friend, Erin (Fraser); sister, Jessica (Malcolm) Gillis, Lower Sackville; brother, Errison Blackie (Alex), Enfield; niece, Quinn Gillis; maternal grandparents, Bliss and Merita Noiles, Moncton, New Brunswick; parents-in-law, Eric and Jane Fraser, New Glasgow; sister-in-law, Megan (Nathan) Myles, Fredericton, New Brunswick; several aunts, uncles, cousins and a very wide circle of friends and fellow firefighters. His K9 companion, Bella, held a special place in his heart. He was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, John and Gwendolyn Blackie. Regimental funeral service will be held 11 a.m., Saturday, March 30, 2019, at Colchester Legion Stadium, 14 Lorne Street, Truro. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

BENJAMIN, Kenneth C. 'Kennie' - Age 84, of Diligent River passed away Thursday, March 21, 2019 at the Bayview Memorial Health Centre, Advocate Harbour. Born in Fox River, he was a son of the late Harry and Gladys (Allen) Benjamin. Kennie moved his family to Halifax in 1964 where he worked driving trucks for Mills Brothers Construction, IGA and Esso Home Comfort, where he retired as a contract hauler after more than 30 years of service. He enjoyed anytime that he spent with family; camping, fishing, trips to the hunting camp, horseshoes, card games, Saturday night bowling and dances at the Newfoundland Club. He was "Gramp" to Jenna, Becky, Joseph and Ethan. He loved spending time with them camping, snowmobiling, biking and trout fishing with their handmade poles. Kennie is survived by daughters, Tanya Hardy (Randy), Shad Bay and Rhonda Larsen (Trevor), Fall River; brothers, Seldon (Donna), Fox River; Jim (Sharon), Port Greville; and Reid, Fox River. Kennie is also survived by his grandchildren, Jenna Smith (Jake), Becky Hardy; Joseph and Ethan Larsen; his first great-grandson, Leo Smith; many special brothers and sisters-in-law and dozens of nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, Euda (Yorke) Benjamin in 2016; his granddaughter, Alice Elizabeth Larsen; a sister, Ethel; brothers, Arden and Richard. His family would like to thank each and every staff member at the Bayview Memorial Health Centre in Advocate for their care and kindness extended to our dad who they affectionally referred to as "Kennie B" during his short time there. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, March 26, 2019 in Grace United Church, Port Greville. Burial in the church cemetery at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Bayview Memorial Health Centre Foundation or Grace United Church, Port Greville.

Nova Scotia Museum Act to be Modernized

Modernized legislation will help Nova Scotians enjoy the buildings, vessels and collections that make up the provincial museum system for years to come. Proposed changes will: enhance the mandate of the board of governors to allow more direct oversight of museum operations; Members will be appointed by a nominating committee consisting of the board chair and three other members, and when

possible, candidates will reflect Nova Scotia's cultural, generational, gender and ability diversity; allow the board to set reasonable visitor fees and enable the board to fundraise and effectively market the museum's unique offerings

The Nova Scotia Museum system consists of 28 museum sites and is one of the oldest provincial systems in the country. It is responsible for the provincial collection

of over one million artifacts and specimens. It also oversees the stewardship of more than 210 buildings, four floating vessels and nine locomotives.

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