

OBITUARIES

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EISENHAUER, Victoria Elizabeth "Tory" - It is with profound sadness that we share the passing of Victoria Elizabeth "Tory" Eisenhauer, of Brentwood, Nova Scotia. She passed unexpectedly though peacefully, at home, in her sleep, at the age of 36 years on February 18th, 2026. Born in Truro on November 15th, 1989, to Joan & Reid Eisenhauer, she grew up in Moncton before moving back to Nova Scotia with her fiancée, Andrew Reid. Tory was a woman of many interests and hobbies, spending her spare time doing anything from leatherwork to gardening, sewing to video gaming, making her own jewellery or curled up with a good book. Of course, her biggest passion was animals – she loved spending time with the horses on her friend's farm, watching (and feeding) the neighbour's chickens, and spending time with the horses at Meadowbrook Stables; so much so she had reserved a 2027 foal through MBS, to fulfill a childhood dream of getting her own horse! Her love for Disney was no secret, having made several trips to Walt Disney World (another childhood dream achieved), becoming an avid 'pin trader', and collecting just about anything Disney – any holiday was a good excuse for a Disney gift, too. Tory shared a love for model railroading with her fiancée, and was a member of The Eastern Benders, as well as the Maritime Federation of Model Railroaders, where she had previously sat on the Board of Directors and served as the organization's secretary at the time of her passing. Her infectious smile and comforting laugh will be missed at train shows, around the barn, in her office, and by all her friends and family. In the wake of her sudden passing, Tory leaves behind her fiancée and partner of fifteen years, Andrew Reid; her Mother and Father, Joan & Reid Eisenhauer, as well as many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the QEII Health Sciences "Heart Health" program, or the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada. Andrew, Joan and Reid would like to extend our most heartfelt thanks to the attending members of the RCMP, EHS, and Brookfield Fire & Emergency Services, for their efforts that evening. The family have entrusted Tory's care to Colchester Community Funeral Home at 512 Willow Street, Truro, from where a reception and celebration of life was held Saturday, March 7th.

LESLIE (FIELD), Joan Elizabeth - It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of our dear mom, Joan Elizabeth Leslie (Field) of Carrs Brook, NS at the age of 86 on Friday, February 27, 2026. She will be deeply missed by son, James and daughter, Maryann, both of Carrs Brook; granddaughters, Amie (Chris) and Marlee (Benjamin); and great-grandsons, Luther and Victor. She was predeceased by her youngest son, Steven (Jackey) of Five Islands. Joan was born in Carrs Brook on November 29th, 1938 to her much-loved parents Oscar and Mary (Perrin) Field. She will be greatly missed by her younger brother, Olsen (Linda), and younger sister and best friend, Judy (Tom), as well as her nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her youngest brother, Frederick. Joan graduated from business college in Truro and worked at Caufield's and H.B. Goodspeeds until she married her late husband, Allen Leslie of Lower Five Islands, and in later years worked at Enheat. They shared 43 happy years of marriage before his death in 2001. Joan enjoyed spending time in nature and relaxing at the cottage with family and always looked forward to scenic drives with her daughter, dinner outings with her son and thrifting with her sister. She traveled throughout Canada in her younger days and went on many adventures with her family and friends in their camper and '49 Ford truck. She was a member of the United Church Women for many years, contributing to community meals and events. She was also a member of the Lower Economy Women's Club for many years, taught Sunday school, and was a leader of the Canadian Girls in Training. She and Reverend Bob Chapman put together the first issue of the Cobequid Outlook. Joan was cherished by her family and will be fondly remembered as a beloved wife, devoted and loving mother, dear sister, loving and proud grand and great-grandmother, caring aunt, and loyal friend. She loved nothing more than having her family together for dinners, enjoyed visits with her two great-grandsons, and was so looking forward to meeting her third great-grandchild. She overcame numerous health challenges during her later life and faced all with courage and grace, which continued to the end. The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to mom's VON nurses, to Mary at palliative care, Nurse Practitioner Erika Baird, Doctor Rowe, the team of physicians at the QEII, and to Todd and staff at Bayside Pharmacy who all gave the best care to our mom. At Joan's request, her ashes will be laid to rest beside her beloved husband Allen at a private graveside service at the Economy Cemetery.

FISHER, Vera Marie - It is with broken hearts and deep gratitude for a life well lived that we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Vera Marie Fisher of Masstown/Debert on February 28, 2026. Born on April 18, 1935, in Great Village, Nova Scotia, Vera was the daughter of the late Margaret (Crowe/Murray/Sarson) and George Murray. Vera is lovingly remembered by her children, Debbie (Russ) Waycott, Eric (Kim) MacDonald, and Trevor (Jennifer) Fisher. She will be dearly missed by her grandchildren, Riley (Stephanie), Kayla (Mark), Rachel, and step-grandchildren, Alea, Blake, Andrew, Carina, and Natalie. Vera's pride and joy were her great-grandsons, Gavin and Garrett — affectionately known by her as "the two hurricanes." She truly loved those two little boys. She is also survived by her only brother, Arthur (Leisha) Murray, along with his children, Dan, Phil (Rima), Shawn (Renee), and Margot (Ron). Mom remained close with her brother, Art and enjoyed their weekly phone calls. Vera is also survived by her sisters-in-law, Marina Fisher (Gerald) and Carol Jackal and many nieces and nephews from the Fisher family. In addition to her parents, Vera was predeceased by her beloved husband, Arthur, in August 2021. Vera had a lifelong love of curling and rarely missed watching "the curling" on TV — especially the excitement of the Canadian Brier. It brought her great joy, and we like to think she and Arthur are together again, watching from the best seats in the house. Mom always joked that she had to keep Dad on a leash to keep track of him, and she never ran short of stories from their travels. When she wasn't travelling with Dad, she was often off on another adventure with her travelling pal Janet Ashe. The two of them always returned with plenty of stories to share with their dear friend, "Lady Di" - Diane Milner. Vera will be remembered for her love of family, her warmth, and the quiet strength she carried throughout her life. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your local SPCA, the Masstown United Church, or the Canadian Cancer Society. Cremation has taken place. A service to celebrate Vera's life will be held on Thursday, April 2nd with visitation beginning at 1:00 p.m. until time of service at 2:00 p.m., officiated by Marty Clark-Ettinger, both in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, NS. Reception to follow. A private family interment will take place at a later date.

FRITZ, Cheryl Ann - Age 67, Millbrook, passed away on March 1, 2026, in her family home where she raised her five beautiful children. Born in Lawrence, Massachusetts, she was the daughter of the late Richard Edward Fritz Sr. and Mary Elizabeth (Christmas) Fritz of Membertou. Cheryl grew up in Gardiner, Massachusetts, and spent many years working in a variety of social services in the Boston Native American Community, including The Boston Indian Council and the Child Welfare System. She moved to Millbrook in 1993, where she devoted many years at the Mi'kmaw Family Healing Centre, where she offered safety and strength to many women. Her commitment to community and justice guided much of her life. She served as a councillor for the Millbrook First Nation Band, worked with the Mi'kmaw Legal Support Network, and later ran for Truro Town Council becoming the first native woman at the council table and eventually serving as Deputy Mayor of the town. Cheryl was a talented designer of traditional ribbon skirts and took great pride in sharing and celebrating her culture. She was also a gifted actress and performed in many plays with Hubtown Theatre. Her quick wit and joyful spirit brought laughter and light to everyone who knew her. Cheryl is lovingly remembered by her children, Tracy Ann (Fritz) Fanous (Shuel Fanous), Timothy Nasson, Lisa Nasson (Mitchell Saddleback), Emily Nasson (Jerard Garson) and Melanie Nasson (Mitchell Rutledge). She is survived by her former husband, Christopher Nasson, proud father of her children. Cherished grandmother to Leonardo Fanous and Sienna Fanous. Loving sister to Ronald "Ronnie" Gould (Carolyn Milliea), Robert "Bob" Fritz (Patty Humphrey), Richard "Uncle Ricky" Fritz (Steve Osgood). Cheryl is also adored by many nieces, nephews, godchildren and beloved family members, Janine Christmas, Alex Moumme, Frankie Hamersma, Delores Francis, Jessica Christmas, Desiree Francis, Kelsie Francis, Auntie Viola, Loraine "Bubby" Varone, Patrick Varone, Bev "Bevy Baby" Walker, Julien Hepworth, Kevin Christmas, Alana Denny, Kristen Basque, RK Gould, Chantal Gould, Andre Googoo, Shannon Sack, Loreita Joseph, Chance Milliea, Dylan Peters, Denise Milliea, Jack Gloade, Keith Julien and Lynnwood Peters. She was predeceased by the father of her eldest daughter, Freeman Ward. Visitation was held Monday, March 9th from 2-4pm and 6-8pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. A Funeral mass took place Tuesday, March 10th at 11am in Sacred Heart

Church, Millbrook with Father Jim O'Connor officiating. Salité and meal to follow in Nora ernard Community Centre. Burial of ashes will take place in Membertou First Nation and Millbrook First Nation in the spring. Flowers are welcome and gratefully accepted by the family. Online condolences are available at www.ColchesterCommunity.com.

SUTHERLAND, Arthur "Artie" Elroy - The family of Arthur "Artie" Elroy Sutherland is saddened to announce his passing in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro, on March 12th, 2026. Born in Brookfield on January 13, 1948, Artie was a son of the late Norma and Fred Sutherland. He leaves behind his wife of 48 years, Lurley (MacNutt, nee Clemson) Sutherland of Truro Heights; his children, Calvin (Louise) Sutherland, Tammy Sutherland, Kim Sutherland; stepchildren, Trent (Lorie) MacNutt, Brenda (Laurie Morris) MacNutt, Beverley Ann (Brant Pollock) Watson, Wade (Beth) MacNutt; chosen daughter, Darlene Fox; thirteen grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. He is also survived by his only brother, Jimmy (Donna) Sutherland, two nieces, one great nephew and two great nieces. He worked with the Department of Transportation for over 40 years, where he received several service awards. He was a devoted husband and man of faith. Artie believed in helping others and received awards for assisting with the Swiss Air Crash and Canadian Blood Services by making over 200 blood donations throughout the years. Special thanks to the health care team at Colchester East Hants Health Centre for the compassionate care and support. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. In keeping with Artie's wishes, cremation has taken place. A private family gathering and interment will take place at a later date. Donations to the memory of Artie can be made to the Colchester Food Bank.

GREEN, Lawson James "Sonny" - Age 86, Truro, passed away peacefully in North Cumberland Health Care Centre in Pugwash on March 14, 2026. Sonny was born at home in Central Onslow to Lawson and Pearl (Cameron) Green on December 11, 1939. Sonny is survived by nieces and nephews, Carla Benjamin, Amherst, Terry (Jessica) Green, Masstown, Heather Maxwell, Central Onslow, Tamara Teed, Debert and Christopher (Jennifer) Fisher, Truro Heights. He is also survived by several great nieces and nephews, cousins and aunt, Anita Mackay, Kentville. He was predeceased by his parents; brothers, Roy and Carl; sister, Diane; infant sister, Ruth; sister-in-law, Karen Green and brother-in-law, John Fisher. Sonny was a founding member of the former Golden Age Auto Club and was well known for his work as a restoration specialist of antique cars, particularly Fords. Donations to the Alzheimer Society - NS, Heart & Stroke - NS or the NS SPCA would be appreciated. There will be no visitation or service. Cremation has taken place and a private family graveside service will take place at a later date.



We Need People

In 2026 The Shoreline Journal team wants to expand its coverage area to include a greater portion or all of Colchester and its eleven electoral districts. No, we are not thinking one newspaper to cover the entire county. Our preference is a network, based on adjoining electoral districts.

One major holdback to Colchester's continued aggressive growth is lack of a strong communication's vehicle / tool, which would enable businesses, community groups and residents to communicate with one message from one end of the municipality to the other. Yes, there are existing communication tools, but as good as they are they serve small geographical areas or special interest groups.

Our goal is to develop an electoral based community-based newspaper network serving all of the Municipality of the County of Colchester whether it be a weekly, twice monthly or once a month. Some electoral districts might have their own paper, while economies of scale might require adjoining districts be grouped together. The business community and market will determine what is economically possible. The ability to sustainability communicate county-wide is paramount and this can be done with several newspapers by having common pages.

Research has proven in rural areas like Colchester, as strong as they are, a traditional newspaper, is the most effective and most economical of all possibilities. Television and radio are important and necessary, but are fractured and not one has the capability to cover the municipality like a blanket, which a newspaper can. Social media is also important, but all county residents do not have access, and do not use the technology as a source of county-wide news and notices.

Strategically, we are ready to go, but we need people.

We are looking for those who wish to augment their income or serve their community by joining our team for: **Advertising sales**; local news **correspondents/writers**; free lance **photographers**; a **contributing writer** for their organization; local **subscription sales agents** (could be local organization, which to conduct **subscription fund-raising campaign**); **delivery agents** to deliver papers to the stores and collect for revenues for each issue sales. Many of these positions are work-from-home on part-time basis.

Limited opportunities for those who want their community to succeed and might wish to be an investor or partner.

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