

OBITUARIES

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BEATTIE, Daniel Arthur It is with sadness that the family of Daniel Arthur Beattie, age 69, of Valley, Colchester County announce that he passed away on November 8, 2025, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre in Truro. Dan was born on July 2, 1956, in Sherbrooke, Guysborough County and grew up in nearby Port Bickerton. He attended Dartmouth Vocational School and graduated as an electronics technician. Following his graduation, he worked at the Naval Dockyard in Halifax in fire control on the missile radar systems. Dan retired at the age of 56 and found his dream career driving cars for car dealerships. He loved it and made many friends at the Truro Mazda dealership. Cars and motorcycles were Dan's passions. He loved buying them, reading about them, and he owned every issue of Car and Driver since he was old enough to buy them. If he was not reading about them, he was washing, polishing, or driving them. His prized possessions were his Mustang convertible, his Harley Davidson Street Glide and his Tacoma. He spent hours researching accessories and adding them to his vehicles. Dan was loved and will be missed by his wife, Shannon Toole; his sister, Gwen Robar and her husband, Eric, and his sister, Abbie Schulz. He loved his nieces, Krista Fraser and her husband, Chris, Shauna Robar and her wife, Robyne Bushell, Jodi Lynn Newcombe and her husband, Donnie Gertridge. He is also survived by nephew, Jared Newcombe. Dan was predeceased by his parents, Catherine Sponagle and Arthur Beattie, and his brother-in-law, Frank Schulz. Dan's family would like to extend their gratitude to all the health care providers who cared for him during his many admissions. This includes: the staff on 8a, hematology at the VG hospital especially Dr. Shannon Murphy and Dr. Rachele Blackman, the staff at Colchester ER and ICU, the staff on D3 and finally the wonderful caregivers on E2 during Dan's last admission, especially Nurse Riley, Dr. Steve Ellis, Dr. Arron Smith and Dr. Courtney Smith. Thanks to Dr. Ahmed Jad, all the IM and ER physicians who cared for Dan during this hard journey and Dr. Joe Gadir for his support. The family would also like to thank all their friends and families who helped in countless ways. A service will be held on Monday, November 17th at 2 pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Chad Clements officiating. Webcasting will begin at 1:58pm (AST).

JULIEN, Diane Elizabeth – Age 79, Onslow Mountain, passed away in the early morning hours of November 10, 2025, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. She was surrounded by her loving family members as she made her journey home to the spirit world. She was predeceased by her father, James; mother, Catherine; brothers, James, William, Frederick. She is survived by her sister, Catherine and brother, Clarence. She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Don; her daughter, Denise; her sons, Donnie (Donna), Troy, and Justin (Courtney); her grandchildren, Colby (Melanie), Patrick (Melissa), Lucas (Jill), Tanner, Toni Lynn, Tyler, Scottlyn, Degan, and Blake; great grandchildren; Cayden, Carly, Keaton, Madison, Cruz, Mila, Nikola, Charlie, Vaughner, and Holly. Diane was the angelic core of her family. She often brought family members together for meals and celebrations. She leaves behind a strong legacy of love, caring, and compassion accentuated by her warm smiles and kind heart. Some may remember her as a friendly bus driver for Millbrook while others will have fond memories of her proudly displaying her crafts and baked goods at the numerous craft fairs and farmers markets she attended. In memory of Diane Julien, memorial donations may be made to the Mi'kmawey Debert Culture Centre through their online website or by cheques made payable to "Mi'kmawey Debert Cultural Centre," 52 Legends Avenue, Millbrook, NS B6L 0A3, care of Mi'kmawey Debert Cultural Centre. Diane and her husband, Don, have jointly worked together on this centre for over 20 years. Visitation was held Tuesday, November 18th from 2-4pm, with a prayer by Pastor Steve Adams at 3:30pm, and 6-8pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro.

LANGILLE, Carlotta Rose - It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Carlotta Rose Langille, age 78, of Truro, Nova Scotia who went home to her Savior, Jesus Christ, on November 10, 2025. She was born in Truro, N.S. to Lillian Belle Hinton and John Brock Borynyk on Forrester Street on March 12, 1947. Carlotta spent her youth in Truro but lived most of her life in the country raising her family. However, she always longed to be back in Truro, and it beckoned to her at the age of 77 years. Ironically, her last place of residence was just paces from where she was born. She would smile and say she went full circle. In 1965, she married her first husband, Gary Winston Priest. Together they had two daughters, Wanda (Cameron) and Gina (Alan). After Gary's passing in 2007, Carlotta continued to be a guiding light for her children and grandchildren. In 2011, she married Edward Murdock Langille of Londonderry. They shared a loving and supportive companionship until his passing in 2024. Carlotta is survived by her brothers, Michael Borynyk (Elizabeth), Bill Fielding (Kim); her children, Wanda and Gina; her grandchildren, Gary Michael, Jeremy (Maddie), Hanna (Nick), Noah, Ella ((Nolan) and many nieces, nephews and cousins, whom she adored. Rest sweet Carlotta, in the loving arms of Jesus and sing loud with the angels. The loss is immeasurable but so is the love left behind. A funeral service was held in Faith Baptist Church, Great Village on Tuesday, November 25th at 1:00pm, Rev. Josh Fillmore officiating. Private family burial will be held in Mahon Cemetery, Great Village. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Faith Baptist Church, Great Village Legion or the Canadian Cancer Society. A special thank you goes out to Dr. Don Rowe, Carlotta's medical team and the palliative care team for their kindness and compassion.

RICHARDS, Oilly Jane File #7104 - Richards, Oilly Jane Deane (Benvie) age 77, passed away peacefully on November 12, 2025, at the Colchester East Hants Health Center, Truro, NS. She is survived by her children Zina (Dean), Gordie, and Tina; also by her grandchildren Brandee, Mikie (Sarah), Nick (Hannah), Alli, and Parker; her great-grandchildren Brian, Braxton, Aubree, Avaya, and Adley. Oilly was a great dancer and loved her Music. She also liked camping, and bingo and Christmas was her favorite time of year. Mom was also a talker and loved to meet new people. She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother; she will be deeply missed by her family and all who knew her. A celebration of Oilly's life will be held at a later date.

HUTCHINSON, Tyler Jacob Tyler Jacob - May 1, 2006 – November 16, 2025 - Central Onslow, Nova Scotia. It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Tyler Jacob Hutchinson, age 19 years, of Central Onslow, on November 16, 2025, due to an ATV accident. Tyler was the beloved son of Dwayne (Tracy) Hutchinson and Kerry Dyke, and the cherished grandson of Helen and Bob Hutchinson. He is lovingly remembered by his aunt, Tracy; her children, Keely, Callin and Clair and stepsiblings, Stephanie Wilmot (Brett), Emily Perry (J), Amber Perry, and Aiden Perry, as well as his nieces, nephew, and step-grandmothers, Jessie Dyke and Velma Tattrie. Tyler leaves behind many aunts, uncles, cousins, and countless friends who felt more like family. From the time he was small, Tyler was an outdoor kid through and through—drawn to anything with wheels and the freedom to drive. That early love grew into a lifelong passion for racing. He began in Bandoleros at Scotia Speed World and later moved into 4x4 racing, proudly following in the footsteps of his parents. It was on the track that Tyler truly found his place. His determination, skill, and heart made him a force to be reckoned with, and he proudly finished his final season in the #1 spot. When he wasn't racing, Tyler was also incredibly proud to be a third-generation Hutchinson working in the family glass business. He had big plans for the future and dreamed of one day taking over and "running the show." His work ethic, enthusiasm, and natural ability made it clear that he was well on his way. Tyler was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Robert Dyke and Pauline Dyke, and by his step-grandfather, Allen Tattrie, who are all waiting to welcome him on his next journey. The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to all first responders and medical staff who worked tirelessly to keep our boy here, and a special thank you to Doug Hutchinson for being with Tyler in his final moments when family could not. The family welcomed guests on Sunday, November 23rd from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Colchester Community Funeral Home in Truro to share memories and celebrate a life that, although far too short, was lived and deeply loved. Tyler was a remarkable young man: kind, hardworking, adventurous, and loved beyond measure. His loss leaves an immeasurable void in the hearts of all who knew him. He will be missed beyond words.

FONTAINE, Marilyn Violetta (Nee: Edmonds) - On November 16, 2025, Marilyn Violetta Fontaine (Nee: Edmonds) joined her loved ones who passed away before her. Among those who welcomed her into eternity was her daughter, Cindy; her special friend, Lil; the love of her life, Benny, and several siblings. Even though Marilyn was petite in her human form, she had the strength that only a survivor could appreciate. She enjoyed a sarcastic banter with her son, people-watching at Masstown market, watching the children play at Victoria Park, chocolate cake at the Big Stop, treats from Bea's café, and a good cup of tea with the people who loved her. Brad (Kristen) and Tami are immensely grateful for the amazing care Marilyn received over the past several years at Lohnes House and Wynn Park Villa. The support, safety and security you provided to Marilyn in her final years was huge for her and our appreciation is hard to express in words. Marilyn has gained her wings and is finally free of all pain and fear. We have no doubt she will continue to watch over her loved ones... until we meet again. Rest easy now, Mom.

DENSMORE, Angela Deanna - March 28, 1985 – November 16, 2025. It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Angela Deanna Densmore, who left this world after a courageous six-year battle with cancer on November 16, 2025. Angela faced her illness with quiet strength and unwavering determination, even in the hardest moments. Despite all she endured, she remained deeply connected to the people and animals she loved, finding comfort in the simple, meaningful moments she cherished most. Born on March 28, 1985, in Truro, Nova Scotia, in the Colchester Regional Hospital, Angela grew up in Hilden, Nova Scotia, and was a devoted daughter to her loving parents, Peter and Deanna Densmore (Gamblin). Angela is survived by her loving brothers, Nicholas Densmore and Douglas Densmore (Cassie). She was an adored aunt to her nephews, Parker and Hayden and niece, Kay. She is also survived by her grandfather, Loomis Gamblin, as well as many special aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who loved her dearly. She was predeceased by her paternal grandparents, Trueman and Beryl Densmore, and her maternal grandmother, Stella Gamblin. She worked as a veterinary technician at the Truro Veterinary Hospital, where she was known for her kindness, skill, Angela received exceptional care throughout her illness, and the family wishes to extend heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Rowe, Dr. Graham, Dr. Henderson, Dr. Smith, Dr. J Kumar, all the nurses who were so kind, everyone at the cancer clinic, and all others who supported her during her journey. Their compassion and kindness provided comfort and strength during some of Angela's most difficult moments, and their care will always be deeply appreciated. A funeral service was held November 22, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in Colchester Community Funeral Home. A reception will follow the service, with burial to take place in Hilden Cemetery. Family flowers only. In Angela's memory, donations may be made to the Cobequid Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre, a place she cared for deeply and devoted much of her time.

McRae, Jeffrey William, It is with heavy hearts that the family of Jeffrey William McRae, age 44 years, Londonderry, announce his unexpected passing on November 16, 2025. He was a son of William "Bill" McRae and Diane (Tony) Fleck. Also surviving are his daughters, Patricia (16) and Ericka (14) and their mother, Amanda Mattix; brother, Craig (Jen); nephew, Brantley; stepsisters, Amber and Vanessa and friend, Chris as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins. Jeff was predeceased by maternal grandparents, Lloyd and Mildred Manuel; paternal grandparents, Laurie and Lille McRae; uncle, Albert and cousin, Dwayne. He was a wonderful role model who cherished his daughters and loved spending time with them. He was a hard worker recently receiving his red seal in plumbing while working for Pat Byrne at BMC Contracting Ltd. The family would like to extend their deep appreciation to the staff of the QEII - VG Site for the compassion shown to them at this difficult time. Jeff was an organ donor. In lieu of flowers, donations in Jeff's memory may be sent to the SPCA or The Mental Health Association. A celebration of Jeff's life will take place on Saturday, November 29th from 2pm to 4pm in the Londonderry Community Hall. A private family committal will take place at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS.

Dunning (née Fulton), Eleanor Margaret - 1946 – 2025. It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Eleanor Margaret Dunning at her home during her sleep on November 15, 2025. Born in Truro, Nova Scotia, on April 17, 1946, Eleanor was a daughter of the late Charles and Madeline (Alkern) Fulton of Bass River. She is survived by her devoted husband and best friend, John, with whom she shared a lifetime of love and adventure. Eleanor will be dearly missed by her daughters, Kim Dunning (Baddeck), Karen Dunning (Coxheath), and Cynthia (Chris) Dunning Zwicker (Lower Onslow). "Bammy" will be very missed by her cherished grandchildren, Breagh, Michaela, Mitchell, and Liam Gillis, and Chiara and Calliana Zwicker. She is also survived by her sister, Beverly Simpson (Hilden). Eleanor attended school in Bass River and then completed secretarial training at Central Colchester High School. Her and John's story began during their Bass River school days, when they found each other and never let go. They were married in Bass River on July 8, 1967. Later that year, they moved to Guelph, Ontario, where Eleanor worked while John attended university. It was there that their twin daughters, Kim and Karen, were born in May 1970. Soon after the twin's birth, the family returned to Nova Scotia. They settled in Howie Centre, where they built a loving home for 42 years, and where Cynthia was born in September 1972. During that time in Cape Breton, Eleanor worked as a school secretary, often changing schools to be close to her daughters as they progressed through their school years. She later worked at the main office of the Cape Breton District School Board. John and Eleanor both retired in 2000 and in 2012, the couple returned to their roots in Bass River, moving into the Fulton family home. All were welcome to drop by the hall of the former Baptist Church (5690 Highway #2, Bass River, NS) between 1:00 and 3:00 pm on Saturday, November 29th. No formal program – just a chance to share memories, connect, and celebrate Eleanor's life. Donations may be made to the Bass River Baptist Cemetery Association (by etransfer at bassriverbaptistcemetery@outlook.com or by mail c/o Lyndon McLellan, 5690 Highway #2, Bass River, NS, B0M1B0).

HOGANSON, Gerald "Red" Blanchard - We are saddened to announce that Gerald "Red" Blanchard Hoganson died peacefully in his sleep on November 17, 2025. Gerald was born in Halifax on August 26, 1935, to the late Gerald and Leota Hoganson. He is survived by his wife of almost 64 years, Margie (nee WALLACE) and his four children, David (Anne), Alan, Melanie (Wayne) and Stefanie; grandchildren, Sara, Moira, Ryan, Ian and Stephanie and sister, Dorothy Ibrahim. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by grandson, Alex and sisters, Dot, Aileen, Marie, Jeannie, Claire and Marion. Gerald and Margie raised their family in Bedford, NS, later residing in Charlottetown, PEI; Gulf Shore, NS and Truro, NS. Gerald had a very diverse career starting as a machinist and later expanding his education to include business administration and a law degree and continued his career in those fields, retiring from his position at UPEI. Gerald loved to play hockey for the Bedford Barons, where his teammates became lifelong friends. He was an avid golfer, active with downhill skiing and the curling community, always finding camaraderie and friendships in the sports he loved. Beyond athletics, he volunteered and supported many organizations throughout his life. He was loved deeply and will be greatly missed. A visitation took place on Friday, November 21st from 2-4pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS.

MCMASTER, Walter Henry James – 93 years, Truro, Nova Scotia – t is with great sadness that we, Walter's family, announce his passing on the morning of Wednesday, November 19, 2025, after a short stay at Cedarstone Enhanced Care, Truro. He was an outstanding plasterer for approximately 45 years and at the age of 19 he was employed by various firms Ambrose Crowe, Arley & Dennis Burgess, and Jack Crowe (Central Plastering) also, Ben Robichaud & Sons. He was also employed with Dalhousie University Agricultural College for 15 years in the maintenance department. Born on March 14, 1932, in Mt. Thom, Nova Scotia, he was the son of the late Daniel and Christina (MacKenzie) McMaster of Manganese Mines, Nova Scotia. He is survived by his sons, Brian (Debbie); Jack (Nancy); Ken (Carol); and Glenn (Karen); nine grandchildren, Jason (Laurie); Kelly (Tim); Ashley (Shaun); Cody (Catherine) Tanner; Nathan (Emily); Jeffrey (Katherine); Kathleen; and Travis (Joline); and twelve great grandchildren. His brother-in-law, Donald (Bette) Barnes, Ottawa, ON; sister-in-law, Linda McMaster; sisters, Jean McCallum; Isabel (Bob) Bailey; Marge Bryson, and brother, Donnie McMaster, and many nieces and nephews. Walter was predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Florence A. McMaster (Barnes). He was also predeceased by brothers, Ernie (June), Alfred, Frank, Hughie, Bob (Velma) & Stanley (Gladys) Mackenzie; sisters, Kay (Dan) McLaren, Marguerite (Lyle) Harvey, Edna (Ronald) Crowe, Ethel (Almon) Miller, Helen (Gilbert) Ward; brothers-in-law, Rufus McCallum and Les Bryson; sister-in-law, Betty McMaster. The McMaster family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to these individuals and organizations who cared for Walter with such kindness and compassion: Dr Ellis; Anne Goodwin; great-granddaughter, Chloe Dean; Earth Angels; Cedarstone Enhanced Care, and the VON. Donations in Walter's memory may be made to the Parkinson Society, Nova Scotia. Visitation was held Tuesday, November 25, 2025, from 6-8pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, followed by a funeral service and reception on Wednesday, November 26, 2025, at 1pm. Webcasting will begin at 1:58pm (ADT). Burial to follow the reception at Blackmore Cemetery, North River. Online condolences may be made by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com



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