

OBITUARIES

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CORBETT, Stanley Harold - 66, Bass River, passed away suddenly at home on Saturday, December 14, 2019. Born in Truro, he was the son of Jean (Knight) Corbett, Bass River and the late Harold Corbett. Along with his mother, Stan is survived by his loving wife, Juanita; daughters, Jessica (Adam), Greenwood; Danielle (Jeremy), East Chezzetcook; granddaughter, Madi. Stan's ashes were scattered under his beloved chestnut tree in Pleasant Hills on Saturday, December 21, 2019, followed by a reception at Bass River Fire Hall. Arrangements entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

SUTTON, Velma May, 83, Truro, passed away Sunday, December 15, 2019 at home with her family by her side. Born in Maitland, NS, she was the daughter of the late Horace and Ella (Burns) Hatfield. In her younger years, Velma graduated from the Great Village School and moved to Long Island, NY, where she met her husband James and remained in the United States until 1974 when they immigrated to Canada. She attended St. John's Anglican Church, Truro and was also a member of the Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Maitland. Mom always thought about everyone as equal and never said an unkind word about anyone. She is survived by a son, James of South Maitland; daughters, Hope Workman (Terry) of South Maitland, Christine Sutton (Dan) of Barrie On, Jill Sutton of Maitland; grandchildren, Jennifer, John, Jocelyn, Fausta, DJ, Ella, Alex, Dimick; great-grandchildren, Hunter, Blay, Liam, William, Gavin, Xander; brothers, Edward Hatfield (Sandy) of Truro, Arnold Hatfield of Truro, Kenny Hatfield (Odessa) of Yarmouth, Ian Hatfield of Onslow; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband James Sutton; brothers, Frederick and Earle. Arrangements are under the direction of the Mattatall-Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. No visitation by request. Funeral service was held Dec. 20th in the Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Maitland with Reverend Lori Ramsey officiating. Burial in the Holy Anglican Cemetery, Maitland. Donations in memory may be made to the Holy Trinity Building Fund, Maitland. Private messages of condolence may be sent to the family by viewing Velma's obituary on-line and selecting "Send A Condolence" at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

LOCKHART, Phyllis Sherri Lorraine - 72, Truro. The passing of Phyllis "Sherri" Lorraine Lockhart occurred on December 17, 2019. Born in Pictou County, NS. She was the youngest daughter of Angus and Florence (Currie) Pettipas. She is survived by husband, James (Jim) Lockhart of Belmont; children, Billy (Shelley) O'Brien, Greta (Mike) Watson and Linda Weatherbee; stepchildren, Darla (Mike) Badell and Jimmy (Cindy) Lockhart; daughter-in-law, Vicki Jackson; grandchildren, Myles, Mason, Molly, Justin, Billie, Vincent, Shelby, Emma, Andrea, Daniel, Brayden, Nicholas and Johnathan; great grandchildren, Van and Brayden; siblings, Bill Pettipas (Chris), Wilfred Pettipas, Greta Fraser (Bernie), Kathleen Coleman (John). Predeceased by son, Timothy O'Brien and granddaughter, Morgan O'Brien; siblings, Angelita Kellock (Ross), Mary Kellock (Herdie), Doris Johnstone (Sonny) and Raymond Pettipas (Carol). Cremation has taken place. Interment at a later date. A special thanks to the wonderful staff of Wynn Park Villa for the compassion and respect shown to our family - no words can express our appreciation. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, N.S. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com

SMITH, Diane R. - Age 69, of Halfway River passed away peacefully on December 23, 2019 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Parrsboro in 1950, she was the chosen daughter of the late Max and Irene (Fulton) Willigar. She was a devoted wife to her husband Raymond for 48 years, and a devoted mother and grandmother. Diane loved to dance and danced for many years with the Sunshine Cloggers and the Glooscap Cloggers. She was a member of the St. George's Anglican Church and A.C.W. She was a member of the Parkinson Society (Cumberland Chapter) Support Group. She loved the elderly and was a faithful volunteer for more than 25 years at the South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. In 2003, she was awarded 'Volunteer of the Year' by the Municipality of Cumberland (District 8) for her dedication to the care centre. She and her husband, Raymond raised alpacas for a while as a hobby. Earlier in her life, she worked with Maritime Tel & Tel as an operator for several years. She is survived by her husband, Raymond; daughter Annette Smith (Brian Johnston), Springhill; a son, Jason (Delphine Heuze), Parrsboro; grandchildren, Neves, Trey, Léo, Lola; sister-in-law, Jessie Willigar, Parrsboro; several nieces, nephews, cousins. She was predeceased by grandson, Cameron; brothers, Bertram and Royden Willigar; Jack Murphy. Funeral service was held December 28, 2019 at St. George's Anglican Church, Parrsboro with Rev. Dr. Brian Spence officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to St. George's Church, The Parkinson Society (Cumberland Chapter) or to South Cumberland Community Care Centre (Adult Day Care Program). Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

WADDEN, Pamela Jane - 56, Bible Hill, passed away Friday, December 27, 2019 at home with her family by her side. Born in Oshawa, Ontario, she was a daughter of the late Anthony and Esther (MacLeod) Wadden. Pam worked in the trucking industry for 30 plus years, most recently working at North East Truck and Trailer, Onslow, as Service Advisor. She is survived by her loving partner, Peggy Connors; daughter, Katrina Lynch (James); son, Nicholas Walsh; grandson, Maddox; sisters, Jean Wadden, Sandra Wadden and her twin sister, Paula Wadden (Glenn Willis); niece, Daphni; nephew, George; great-niece, Kasandra Sky; lifelong friend, Earl Walsh and daughter Carla Walsh. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by a niece, Sonja. Celebration of Pamela's life was held Saturday, January 18, 2020, at Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 26, 42 Brunswick Street, Truro. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences" at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

TERFRY, Madeline G. - Age 93, of Parrsboro passed away Saturday, December 28, 2019 at Bayview Memorial Health Centre, Advocate Harbour. Born in Wharton, she was a daughter of the late Harry and Gertrude (Yorke) Yorke. She is survived by a daughter, Martha Terfy (John Fulton), Parrsboro; grandchildren, Allyson Bowden-Welsh (Kris), Diligent River; Lesley Whitford (Jeremy Fulton), Parrsboro; great-granddaughters, Kennedy, Kaleigh, Abigail; step-great-grandson, Avery Fulton; sisters-in-law, Mary, Advocate Harbour; Carolea, Truro; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Wilbert; sisters, Doris, Marion and Helen; brothers, Basil, Hilton, Lorway and Clayton. A celebration of Madeline's life service will held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Bayview Memorial Health Centre (Recreation Program). Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

KENNEY, E. Bernice - 86, Truro, passed away Monday, December 30, 2019, at her home at Shannex's Fergus Hall, Parkland. Born in Halifax, she was predeceased by her loving husband, Dr. Gordon S. Kenney (March 1, 2017). In 1974, the family moved to Canada where Bernice and Gordon bought a hobby farm, built their dream home and raised six children in the countryside in Lower Debert. She is survived by her children: Robert (Hantsport, NS), Nancy (Truro, NS), Alan, (Los Angeles, CA), Ann (Fredericton, NB), Amy (Veazie, ME), Thomas (Los Angeles CA); grandchildren, Michael, Robin, Lenore, Laura, Alex and Zack; five great-grandchildren. A celebration of her life will be held in May 2020. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

BARNHILL, Stanley Allison - 81, Belmont. With appreciation for a life well-lived, the family of Stanley Allison Barnhill announces his passing at home at the age of 81 years on January 1, 2020 family home in Belmont. He was educated at the Provincial Normal College, Mount Allison University and Saint Mary's University and taught for 27 years in local schools. He chose to volunteer in his home community as Treasurer of Wesley United Church and Secretary-Treasurer of Belmont Cemetery Corp., both for many years. His life revolved around the love of his wife, children and grandchildren and he was never shy in expressing his gratitude to them. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Helen Mary (MacLeod); daughter, Sarah (Martin Whynacht); sons, Todd (Deb) and Jason (Amanda LeBlanc); grandchildren, Mary-Emma, Amy, Cameron, Laurel, Thomas and Rachel; sisters-in-law, Iris Barnhill and Sylvia Barnhill and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers, Logan, Karl, Thomas and Ritchie and sisters, Marie (Stevens), Reta (Ferguson), Joyce (Zotz) and Bertha (MacBurnie). Special thank you to Dr. Trevor Locke, Dr. Rod McKenney, Dr. Christine Herman, Dr. David Henderson and Angela McDonnell for their compassionate care. Funeral service was held January 5 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Glenn MacLean officiating. Private interment will be held in Belmont Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Victorian Order of Nurses, 14 Court St. Suite 100, Truro, N.S. B2N 3H7.

MCISAAC, Hugh W. 'Duck' - Age 90, of Parrsboro passed away on Friday, January 3, 2020 at home. Born in River Hebert, he was a son of the late William and Flora (Nicholson) McIsaac. He was employed with CN Rail for 40 years, retiring in 1990. He is the last surviving member of his immediate family. He was predeceased by his special friend, Lillian "Buddy" Porter; sisters, Margaret Symes and Effie Sim; brothers, Daniel, James "Nick", John, Ron, Art. He is survived by his extended family, Kenneth Porter, Parrsboro; Bill Porter (Helene), Moncton; 4 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. In keeping with Hugh's wishes, no funeral service will be held. Memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

SIDDALL, Marilyn R. - Age 78, of Amherst and formerly of Southampton passed away Monday, January 6, 2020 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan surrounded by her family. Born in Amherst, she was a daughter of the late Vincent and Isla (Dobson) Gould. She is survived by a daughter, Brenda Wood (Roy), Parrsboro; a son, Brian (Marlene), Amherst; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. As well, she will be missed by life-long friends, Joyce Collins, Gloria Beal 'Ginky' and Patsy Kay. She was predeceased by her husband, Murray in 2016; a daughter, Pamela (Rushton) in 2014; a son, Allison in infancy. A gathering of family and friends was held January 11, 2020 at the Southampton Fire Hall. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

GARNHUM, Brenton Gene - 79, Glenholme, passed away peacefully at home, with his wife Susan by his side, on Sunday, January 12, 2020. Born in Amherst he was the son of the late Brenton James and Jean (Hutchinson) Garnhum. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Susan (Seaman) Garnhum; sons, Dan (Tammy), Bible Hill; Ron, Belmont; Bob (Nikki), Fall River; daughters, Sandra Adams, Truro; Lynda Leffler (Chuck), Ontario; Joanne Barton (Corey), Sussex, NB; grandchildren, Rachel, Tim, Josh, Brent, Ashley, Jeff, Matt, Joey, Caitlyn, Alec, Brooke, Codie, Jevan, Kenleigh, Haley, Brandon; several great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; long-time friend, John. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by brothers, Bill, Dr. Dan, Richard; sister, Anne. Brenton's family welcomed family and friends at Faith Baptist Church Hall, 38 Station Road, Great Village, on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

HIGGINS, Gary Edward - 72, Truro. It is with much sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Gary Higgins on Sunday, January 12, 2020. Gary was born on June 4, 1947 in Springhill, N.S. to the late Albert and Grace (Adams) Higgins. He was brought up in Londonderry Station where he lived until he married. Gary joined the Canadian Army, served with the Queen's Own Rifles and was a Canadian Peacekeeper in Cyprus. After leaving the military, he worked at Goodspeeds in Truro until he moved away in 1969. Upon returning to Nova Scotia in 1974, he entered the Commercial Safety College in Masstown for Tractor Trailer Training and pursued a career as a driver, traveling throughout Canada and the United States. Gary was a member and Past President of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #26, Truro and was also Past Chairperson of Nova Scotia / Nunavut Command Provincial. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by infant son, John Albert Higgins and infant daughter, Deidre Reid Higgins; sisters, Lee Wood, Lil Mitchell; second wife, Maria (Lamont) Higgins as well as brothers-in-law, Stan, Prescott, Llewellyn, Charlie, Dennis and John. Gary is survived by sons, Scott (Tara), Sean (Trudy) and Devin; daughter, Tracie Weatherbee (Paul); step children, Randy, Richard and Tara Smith; grandchildren, Liam Higgins, Cortney Morris (Kyle), Thaine Hazel and Morgan Hazel; great granddaughter, Paisley Morris; step grandchildren, Kameron, Georgia, Richard, Reid, Kobie and Rianna; sisters, Marge Rushton, Winnie Spencer, Mary George, Jewell Beasley (Fred) and Priscilla Murphy; brother, Tommy Higgins; first wife, Sharon (Norton) Higgins as well as many nieces and nephews. Cremation has taken place. A Legion Tribute Service was conducted by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #26 on January 25th followed by special Words of Remembrance both in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Donations may be made to Heart and Stroke or Royal Canadian Legion Branch #26. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com

POWER, Stella M. - Age 89, of Great Village and formerly of Five Islands and Economy passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at Cedarstone Enhanced Care, Truro. Born in Economy, she was a daughter of the late Lester and Nellie (Eagles) Power. Throughout her life, Stella enjoyed gardening, birdwatching, bingo, crib and volunteering. Above all, she loved spending time with her brothers and sisters (she was the oldest), her children, her grandchildren, and her cats. She is survived by daughters, Cathy Reppin (Jim), Cranbrook, B.C.; Nelda Chisholm, Economy; sons, Leslie Demings, Pugwash; Stephen MacLean (Sherry), Moncton; sisters, Virginia Brodie (Don), Stewiacke; Susan McCarthy (Ronald), Lower Five Islands; Eva Lewis (Mike), Five Islands; brothers, James, Lower Five Islands; Roland (Ruth), Five Islands; Robert "Bobby", Parrsboro; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by sisters, Mildred and Marie; brothers, Burton and William "Billy". A 'Celebration of Life' service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Colchester Branch of the SPCA of Nova Scotia. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com.

GIBBS, Frank "Bert" Bertram - 92, Bible Hill, passed away peacefully at home on January 14, 2020. Dad will be sadly missed by his five children; Lloyd (Anna), Robert (Sheila), Francis (Maureen), Shauna and Jane (Eric); grandchildren, Andrea, Scott, Heidi, Curtis, Becky, David, Ben, Nicholas, Diana and several great grandchildren, all of whom he loved dearly and shared lots of laughter with over many years. Dad was predeceased by his wife of 72 years, Ina (nee Bates), the love of his life, also his five sisters and three brothers and a grandson, Jamie Gibbs. Born in 1927, Dad moved from P.E.I. to Truro in 1943 where he worked and raised his family for the remainder of his life. He was a natural at carpentry and had his own construction company for many years before becoming a superintendent for the N.S. Department of Transportation until his retirement in 1992. Dad was a faithful member of St. James Presbyterian Church in Truro. With Mom's help, he found the Lord and took great comfort in prayer each and every day. Our family wishes to thank all of the care workers, the V.O.N. and palliative care workers who tended to his personal and medical needs for the past number of years. A special thank you to Dr. Phillips and Heather, Dr. Henderson and Lisa Weatherbee for the special attention he received at home and to MacQuarries Pharmacy staff of Bible Hill. A memorial service was held on January 20th with Rev. Andrew Campbell and Rev. Kirk MacLeod officiating, in St. James Presbyterian Church, 725 Prince St., Truro. Donations in Bert's memory may be made to St. James Presbyterian Church, the VON or a charity of choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St. Truro. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com

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