

# OBITUARIES

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**FILLMORE, David C.** – Age 77, of Spencer's Island passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at the South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Montreal, Quebec, he was a son of the late Dr. Eric and Jean (Giberson) Fillmore (Montreal), grandson of the late Dr. Millard J. Fillmore and wife Jessie (Crowell) Fillmore (Advocate Harbour), grandson of the late Perley Giberson and Nellie (Green) Giberson (Stellarton), and great grandson of the late Dr. Edward Fillmore and wife Nellie (Amos) Fillmore (Spencer's Island). A talented pilot, David loved to fly and worked as a bush pilot in his early years in Northern Ontario. He was also trained as a mechanic and landscaper, skills he put to use building a property maintenance business upon his return to Nova Scotia, becoming known up and down the Parrsboro shore for his excellent care of numerous cemeteries and private properties. He had his mother's love of music and sang regularly at open mike and karaoke gatherings from Parrsboro to Moncton. He is survived by a daughter, Rebecca Turgeon, Lakewood Ranch, Florida; grandchildren Sydney, Kyle, and Chloe; a brother, Peter (Lynn), Ottawa; a sister Heather, Kitchener; and numerous cousins. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by son Jonathon who passed away at age twelve. The family expresses deep and heartfelt thanks to the wonderful staff of the South Cumberland Community Care Centre in Parrsboro, for the excellent care he received there. A private family services will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Advocate Cemetery or to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. For online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**ROSS, Maxwell A.** - Age 81 of Fraserville passed away peacefully on Monday, December 21, 2020 at home. Born on Broad Street, Truro, he was the son of the late Archibald and Helen (Welch) Ross. He enlisted in the Canadian Guard as a young man, then began his life career as a lumberman, employing many over the decades. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy (Lake) Ross; sons, Mackie (Sandra), Fraserville; Kevin (Valerie), Windsor; sisters, Carol Williamson (Danny), Waterloo, Ont.; Peggy Janson (Peter), Bonita Springs, FL; brother, Kenneth Ross, Calgary, Alta.; grandchildren, Kristen, Lesley, Jessie, Mallory, Helen, Jacob, Hayley, Madelyn; great grandchildren, Maxwell and Emmerson. He was predeceased by step-father, Wesley Crossman; grandparents, Walter and Jessie (Shipley) Welch; brothers, Murdoch and Wayne. A private graveside committal service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to Fraserville Union Church, Fraserville or Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Fox River. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**McCURDY, Linda Anne** – Age 81, Central Onslow, passed away on December 21, 2020 at home. Born in Debert, she was a daughter of Sidney McCully and Lillian (Geldart). Upon graduating from Acadia University in 1961, Linda married Earl Lindsay McCurdy of Middle Musquodoboit. Soon after, Linda and Earl were posted to Zweibrücken, West Germany where their first two sons, Dan and Barry, were born. Their third son, Chris, followed soon after when Earl and Linda were posted back to Chicoutimi, QC. As with many military families of the time, the next twenty years were spent moving around Eastern Canada. Linda had her hands full as she raised three boys when Earl was away on lengthy exercises. In many ways, she was the glue that held our family together. Nova Scotia was always home. Her happiest days were spent with Earl, family and dogs at the family cottage on Isaac's Lake. Mom always kept busy with her knitting, quilting, card play, curling and golfing. Mom was a special person in many lives and she will leave a hole in the hearts of her sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, Stacey, extended family, friends and neighbours. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Earl. She is survived by her sons, Dan (Judy Butt), Bonnyville, AB; Barry (Chérie), Cochrane, AB; Chris (Janice), St John, NB; grandchildren, Ben, Matthew, Renée, Jessica, Cameron and Cara McCurdy and Sabrina, Gillian Davidson; sisters, Irene, Priscilla, Donna; sister-in-law, Ruth as well as nephews, nieces, cousins and extended family. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro. A private family service was held December 29<sup>th</sup> in Colchester Community Funeral Home with the Rev. Glenn MacLean officiating. Interment followed the service in Debert Cemetery (Plains Road). Donations in Linda's memory may be made to the VON or the Canadian Cancer Society. Messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**DELOUCHERY, Ada P.** – Age, 97, of Parrsboro passed away peacefully on Friday, December 25, 2020 at the South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Fox River, she was the youngest child of the late Charles and Eva (Parsons) Carey. Ada was predeceased by her husband, Cyril, the love of her life; her sister, Neta (Morton); brother, Layton Carey; a daughter, Marsha Day. She is survived by daughters, Nayda Delouchery, Parrsboro; Charlene Roberts (Paul), Kitchener, Ont.; Granddaughter to David Delouchery (Nadine) and Tara Simms (Chris), of New Hamburg, Ont.; Joe Day (Kristen) and Emma Day-Busch (Graham), Victoria, B.C.; Great-Grandma to Rachel, Vivian, Bethany, Cicely, James, Henry and Piper. Ada was owner of Delouchery Boutique, of Halifax (in the late 60's), later evolving into Delouchery Antiques and Old Books, eventually relocating to Parrsboro. She was a past member of Parrsboro Historical Society and the Parrsboro Art Guild. The family would like to thank the many nurses and support staff for their kindness, caring and patience involved in their mother's care. A graveside memorial service was held December 31, 2020 at the Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery, Pastor David Forbes officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Recreation Program of South Cumberland Community Care Centre Foundation, Parrsboro. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**CHISHOLM, Earl Wesley** – 93, Debert. It is with sadness that we inform you of the peaceful passing of Earl Wesley Chisholm on Wednesday, December 23, 2020, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Debert, he was a son of the late William and Emma (McCully) Chisholm. Earl leaves behind his beloved wife, Goldie (Conrad); son, Robert (Gerene), Truro; daughters, Marguerite Reid, Riverview, New Brunswick; Annette (Carl) Giddens, Calgary, Alberta; grandchildren, Stephany, Sarah, Sandra, Christopher, Mark, Marie Claude, Emma; great grandchildren, Marcus, James, Owen, Thomas, Gabrielle, Avie, Neil, Daylan; brothers, Angus (June) Chisholm, Bedford; Frank (Barbara) Chisholm, Sackville, New Brunswick; sister-in-law, Ruth Chisholm, Truro; nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his brothers, Carl, Merle; son-in-law, Neil Reid; great granddaughter, Amelia. Earl and Goldie were happily married for 66 years, living the major part of his life in Debert. He commenced his working career on the family farm at an early age and then joined CNR Signal Department in 1953, from which he retired in 1987 after 34 years of service. After retirement, he enjoyed many happy hours woodworking with Everett McCully and riding around on his red tractor. He was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, Truro, where he volunteered on a regular basis, and was also an adherent member of Debert United Church. An avid volunteer, Earl was an active member of Debert Community Council from which he received a certificate for his dedication to the community. He served in excess of 40 years as Chairman of Debert Cemetery Committee and helped with cemetery maintenance. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Due to Covid-19, the funeral service and interment will be held at a later date when all family members can attend. If so desired, donations in Earl's memory to a charity of choice are welcomed. Private messages of condolences may be sent to the family by viewing Earl's obituary on-line and selecting "Send A Condolence" at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**ROODE, Faye Berta** – 79, Truro, formerly of Belmont passed away on Christmas Day 2020 in the Mira Nursing Home, Truro. Born in Belmont, she was a daughter of the late James and Rita (Totten) Roode. Faye was a woman of great humour, someone who could make you laugh by just singing a song. She enjoyed playing cards, her favourite game being crazy eights. Faye loved driving to see the sights of Nova Scotia or re-visiting the neighbourhood where she grew up. She will be remembered for her infectious laugh and the dance moves she brought anywhere she went. Faye is survived by her daughter, Kim (John Livingstone), Merigomish; grandchildren, Kayla Rushton (Damon Currie), Daniel McLaren (Laura Fraser), Kaitlyn McLaren (Matthew Peppard), all of Truro and Carl Duffy, Merigomish; great grandchildren, Hunter Rushton-Mariott and Charlotte Fraser both of Truro; sister, Geraldine Caverly; brothers, Jimmy Roode and Ray Roode; nieces and nephews. There will be no service at this time. Interment to take place in the spring of 2021 in Belmont Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, NS, B2N 5H2. Online condolences may be made by visiting [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**BRIDGEWATER, Elizabeth Hope**

- The death of Elizabeth Hope Bridgewater, age 89, occurred on December 26, 2020 in All Saints Springhill Hospital, Palliative Care, following a recent illness. Hope was born in 1931 to Lillian (Tuttle) and Heber Tratt in Wentworth. Hope was predeceased by her parents and by sisters, Gertrude Tratt, Elsie (Alton) Langille, Grace Tratt and by her brother, Wilfred (Barbara) Tratt. Survivors are Hope's beloved son, Gregory Bridgewater, Wentworth, sister, Greta Tratt, East Cumberland Lodge, Pugwash; niece, Janet Tratt, Fredericton; sister-in-law, Barbara Tratt, Fredericton. As Co-ordinator of Children's and Young Adult Services in the former Halifax City Regional Library system, Hope was an outstanding accomplished librarian (B.A., M.A., M.L.S.) and leader, delighting children with story, puppetry, inspirations and knowledge. With her highly valued staff colleagues, Hope was the catalyst for delivering great public library service to parents and children in Halifax. Following retirement, Hope enjoyed a fulfilling and active life in her cherished Wentworth with her son Gregory. There were many contributions to community events and organizations and, with her superior writing skills, many excellent newspaper articles celebrating life in the Wentworth area. With her passion for books and reading, lifelong learning, nature and social justice, Hope enriched the lives of many people. She will be greatly missed. Warm thanks are expressed to Jordan Sprague, Carol Hyslop, Melissa Langille, Barbara Palmer and cousin, Faye Langille, who provided much needed support and friendship to Hope and Gregory at this stressful time. If one desires to donate in Hope's honour, in lieu of flowers, donations to the Wentworth Community Library & C@Psite (13371 Highway 4, Wentworth, NS, B0M 1Z0), an organization for which Hope was Vice-President for up until the time of her death, are greatly appreciated. Arrangements are entrusted to MacDiarmid's Funeral Home and Crematorium, Oxford. A private service will take place at a later date



**HUGHES, Michael L.** – Age 69, of Halifax passed away peacefully on Monday, December 27, 2020 at the QEII Health Sciences Centre (VG Site), Halifax. Born in Halifax, he was a son of the late Leo and Marion (Skerry) Hughes. Michael was a painter by trade. He is survived by his wife, the former Stella Henwood; brothers, Brad, Kentville; Billy and Mark, Halifax; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and in-laws. Funeral service was held December 30, 2020 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, the Rev. Dr. Brian Spence officiating. Burial followed in the Parrsboro Roads Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**HATFIELD, Gerald Herbert** – Age 76, Lower Onslow, passed away on December 27, 2020. Born in Fraserville, Cumberland County on December 28, 1943, he was a son of the late Herbert Johnson and Myrna Fern (Knowlton) Hatfield. Gerald was the owner of Reliable Maintenance Service. A business that served Colchester and Cumberland Counties for 35 years. Gerald, an active outdoors man, enjoyed hunting, fishing, foraging and gardening. He was a kind, soft-hearted man with outstanding patience. Left with fond and loving memories are his wife of 51 years, Sharon Lee (Piché); his children, Jeramie (Melany) of Amherst, Shawn (Carol) of Lower Onslow, Leah of Halifax, Joel (Tara-Dawn) of Truro; grandchildren, Matthew, Dominic (Jessica), Divine, Renie, Caden, Connor and great grandson, Micah; brothers, Eric and Eugene (Sheila). Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his daughter, Rose and his sister-in-law, Kathy. A memorial service was held January 1, 2021. It was held on Zoom and officiated by Mr. David Spence, a local elder of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**MACKENZIE, Karl Dow** – Age 97, Pictou, formerly Truro. The family of Karl D. MacKenzie (CWO, RSM KD MacKenzie) of Truro regret to announce his passing in the Northumberland Veterans Unit in Pictou, NS. He leaves behind to carry on, his three daughters, Patricia MacKenzie Smart, Economy, Jane Slash, Keremeos, BC, Rebecca MacKenzie Henderson, Springville; five grandchildren, Colleen Connolly, Economy, Joe Connolly (Christine), West New Annan, Carli Dunbar Reid (Phillip), Edmonton, AB., Richard Dunbar (Charlena), McLellans Brook, MacKenzie Smith (Stephanie); step grandchildren, Bonnie Smart Borden (Jeff), Kim Smart and Colin Smart; great grandchildren, Carli, Brett and Brady. He also leaves behind sister-in-law, Shirley Weatherbee and family; nieces, Ann and Joanne Hamilton and families, Penny MacKenzie and family. He was predeceased by brothers, Gordon MacKenzie, Donald, Philip and Hugh Hamilton; sisters, Helen, Alma and Dorothy; mother, Lida Fisher Hamilton and father, Maynard MacKenzie. Dad served 32 years with the Canadian Army - his second family. Serving in theatres of war in Europe, Korea and Cyprus with The North Nova Scotia Highlanders, The Princess Louise Fusiliers, The Princess Louise Dragoon Guards, The Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa and the First Battalion Royal Canadian Regiment. In 1972, he retired to his hometown of Truro. After losing his beloved wife, Ethel "Fluff", "Bun," his world wasn't the same. At the great age of 97 years, he was ready to take his crib board and go have a game with Mum which he would lose with much grumbling. He leaves behind a hole in our world. The family sincerely thanks all the staff of the Northumberland Veterans Unit, Pictou for the excellent care they gave Dad, keeping him physically and mentally active during his two year stay there. They go above and beyond in caring for their clients. No visitation or service by request. 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](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**LEGERE, Marion F.** – Age 85, of Parrsboro and formerly of Ward's Brook passed away peacefully on Sunday, December 27, 2020 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Ward's Brook, she was a daughter of the late Perry and Marie (Allen) Dowe. She is survived by a daughter, Carolyn Varner (Tony), Diligent River; sons, Michael (Ramona), Dartmouth; Steven (Debbie), Truro; Tim (Susan), Bass River; Trevor (January), Parrsboro; sisters, Leona Dowe, Ward's Brook; Althea Legere (Pat), Enfield; Ruby Crossman, Halifax; Faye George (Willie), Rockwood, Ont.; Helen George (Johnny), Acton, Ont.; brothers, Allan (Judy), Ward's Brook; Kenny (Carol), Diligent River; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Paul; a sister, Vivian; brothers, Isaac, Sterling, Wilson, Perry. A private graveside committal service will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com)

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