

# OBITUARIES

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**MacKIN**, Barbara Jean, (86) of Riverview, New Brunswick passed away at The Moncton Hospital, on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 with her loving family by her side.

Born in Saint John, NB

Barbara was the daughter of the late Joseph Arthur and Verna Viola Wall. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her sister Ruth McNamara.

Barbara is survived by her husband, Philip Mackin of Riverview, NB; daughter, Catherine Mackin of Moncton, NB; sons Philip Kevin Mackin (Rose Beaudoin) of Edmonton, AB; and Joseph Arthur Mackin (Cheryl) of Sault Ste Marie, ON; sister Joan Wall of Saint John, NB; and grandchildren Caitlin Porter (Jeffrey Barrell) of Ammon, NB; Evan Porter of Kelowna, BC; Jonathan Mackin and Kelsey Mackin of Sault Ste Marie, ON. Barbara was a caring wife, mother, and grandmother who nurtured all the people and living things she surrounded herself with. She loved animals, especially Raven, her beloved black Labrador Retriever; Sally and Bill, a bonded pair of geese; her cat Tinker; numerous chickens, cows, pigs, ducks, and others. She imagined, developed, and cared for extensive gardens where she grew vegetables for the whole family and great collections of showy peonies, irises, roses, lillies, and shrubs as well as a small orchard. A lover of the natural world ahead of her time, she nurtured native plants for pollinators and to share with her grandchildren. Her sense of wonder and curiosity and her love for nature also shone through in her prolific oil paintings of wildlife and of Canadian landscapes. Barbara was employed by the Department of National Defense and was involved with the Employee Assistance Program. With her husband Phil, a member of the Canadian Armed Forces, she travelled and lived across Canada from coast to coast to coast. She also was a world traveller, who stood at the edge of Virginia Falls in Nahanni National Park Reserve, avoided bears, counted bison, swam with tropical fish, broke open fresh coconuts, and looked up at volcanoes. She was an incredible cook, learning many recipes from friends throughout her travels. She baked an amazing wild game tourtière, and the world's best breads, Parker house rolls, and Texas sticky buns. Always a Maritimer at heart, she was a champion of Hodge Podge and seafood chowder. A classical musician in her youth, Barbara was always singing. Her creativity was also expressed on her pine quilting frame, where she hand-stitched many unique quilts for family. She had a great sense of humor and pulled off the odd practical joke. Active in the Catholic church, she frequently volunteered as a reader and assisted in Sunday School teachings. Barbara once said that she believed the impact of one act of kindness would spread like ripples in a pond to ultimately benefit many people. Already greatly missed, she leaves behind a legacy of kindness and creativity. Her life made the world a better place. Donations in Barbara's memory made to Diabetes Canada or CARMA Cat Rescue Maritimes would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements have been entrusted to Tuttle Brothers & Riverview Funeral Home 214 Pine Glen Rd. Riverview, NB (506) 857-9544. Online condolences can be made at [www.tuttlefuneralhome.ca](http://www.tuttlefuneralhome.ca)



**MacLellan**, Agnes Patricia "Pat" - It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Agnes Patricia "Pat" MacLellan. She was born to the late Peter and Violet (MacLean) MacKay in Inverness on October 19, 1945. Pat passed away suddenly at home on Friday, December 9, 2022, at the age of 77 years. She leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband, Peter; daughters, Lynn (Donnie) Montgomery, Monica (Brad) Thomsen, Michelle Kane (Doug); grandchildren, Ashley (Morgan), Jennifer (Matt), Tim (Kelsie), Chase (Tiffany), Alicia (Nathan), Brittany (Jon), Peter (Aleigh) and Kailey; great grandchildren, Will, Zachary, Penny, Samuel, Gabby, Paisley, Blayke, Preacher and Mira. Also survived by brother, John L. MacKay (Virginia); brothers-in-law, Joe and Norman; sisters-in-law, Mary, Jessie, Chris, Kaye, Peggy, Dilla and Theresa as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Pat was very loyal to her family and friends. Instead of turning you in for a crime, she'd be your alibi. We all knew that if we needed to talk to Pat, it could never be during her late-night calls to Audrey. She had a strong personality with the kindest of hearts. Pat was very talented with crafts, quilts for the grandchildren, her music talent, and her mischievous adventures with the ladies, Audrey, Joyce, Marj, and Margaret. Pat attended Success Business College in Truro, worked as a secretary for many years then moved into homecare work where she found her passion working with critically ill and seniors. The family wish to express their sincere appreciation to the nurses at Colchester Medical Day unit who provided years of care for her, special thanks to Mary, Bria, Nancy, Catherine, Kathleen, Dr. Rowe, and her family physician, Dr. Sushil Sharma. We want to express our deepest gratitude to Audrey Bailey who went above and beyond putting her own needs aside to help whenever needed over these past difficult years. Donations may be made to Kane's Kitchen or STEPS On Arthur, formerly Colchester Community Workshop. Visitation was held on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Funeral service December 16<sup>th</sup> in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Rev. Dr. Glen Matheson officiating. Online condolences at [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**PARIS**, Jerome Calvin – Age 84, Truro, loving known as "Junior" and affectionately called "Bloat" passed away in the Mira Nursing Home on December 12, 2022. Born and raised in Truro, he was the son of Calvin Gibson and the late Phyllis "Patty" Pitts (nee Paris). He is survived by his sister, Wanda Pitts of Calgary; his aunt, June Harrington (Paris) of Winnipeg; many cousins and extended family members. Besides his mother, Junior was predeceased by his uncles, Ralph Burton Paris and James Paris and his aunts, Kathleen Cummings (Paris) and Shirley Reddick (Paris). Junior worked for many years as a handyman in the town of Truro and his specialty was digging holes. He was always open to a full day of work and was always on time. He enjoyed playing cards (crazy 8's and 45's) and listening to music but, his greatest enjoyment was spending time with family and friends. He was a friend to all and his home was open to everyone. Junior had a love for conversation and was very opinionated. With a quick wit and a sharp tongue, he had a knack for telling it like it is. He had a feistiness and stubbornness that served him well throughout his life. Junior will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by family, friends and community members. The family would like to express their gratitude to his caregivers, Kevin and Pat Jackson for their dedication, compassion and exceptional care. The family would also like to thank the staff of the Mira nursing home for their continued support over the last four and a half years. A celebration of Junior's life was held on Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm followed by the funeral service at 2:00pm both in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS with Pastor Williams officiating. Interment will take place in Robie Street Cemetery in the summer of 2023. Online condolences at [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**TOMPKINS**, Marie Adele - It is with great sadness that the family of Marie Adele Tompkins announce her passing on Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at the age of 55 years after a brief battle with cancer. Marie will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 32 years, Kevin; children, Melissa (Matt), Stephanie (Bob); grandchildren, Winnie and Harper; mother, Dora; siblings, Johanne (Jean-Gillis), Gorden (Monique), Dorena (Thom), Donna (Pat) and numerous other family members and friends. She was predeceased by her father, Clifford Delaney. Marie was born in Waltham, Massachusetts and moved to Grand Etang, NS at age two. Marie attended NDA High School where she excelled academically and athletically in volleyball and cheerleading. She graduated from St. FX University in 1988 and went on to work with Air Atlantic where she made some lifelong friends. She met the love of her life and best friend at age sixteen and they married in 1990. After starting a family, she went back to school and received a diploma in Modern Information Technology. Marie then worked at Crossley Carpets for several years before she began working as an Administrative Assistant with CCRCE in 2002. At the time of her illness, she was working in Bible Hill Consolidated Elementary School where she thoroughly enjoyed the BHC community, especially her relationships with her colleagues. Marie's love of sports continued throughout her adult life, playing volleyball, tennis, golf and running where her talent, focus and competitiveness shone through. Her calm demeanor was a perfect compliment for her overzealous partner. Other hobbies included baking, crafting and enjoying her beautiful grandkids. The family would like to thank the Health Care professionals at the Colchester East Hants Health Centre and the QEII hospital for their care and compassion throughout Marie's treatment. We also want to thank Dr. Stephanie Snow, Dr. Don Rowe and the Palliative Care Team – Dr. Cortney Smith and Cheryl Graham – for going above and beyond with their care of Marie. Donations in Marie's memory may be made to the CEHHC "We Care About Cancer" or a charity of your choice. Visitation was held on Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup> in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. A private family service will be webcast at a later date and will be available with online condolences at [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**WEATHERBEE**, John Clifford "Jack" – 79, Truro, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Truro, he was the son of the late Earl and Muriel (Nichols) Weatherbee. Jack is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Betty (Roblee); children, Joan-Anne Weatherbee (Rollie Hersey), Truro; Jackie Weatherbee, Truro; Dana Weatherbee (Dawn Skeaff), Belmont; Lisa Weatherbee, Fort Ellis; ten grandchildren; seven great grandchildren. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his son, Travis Weatherbee; grandson, Nicholas Forbes; sister, Joannie Weatherbee. Private family gathering will be held at a later date. If so desired, donations in Jack's memory to IWK Health Centre Foundation are welcomed. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**MacDONNELL**, Frances Ellen (Letcher) - Age 87, Truro, passed peacefully at home on December 20, 2022, in Truro. Born in Port Hawkesbury, Cape Breton, she was a daughter of the late Austin and Dorothy Letcher. Frances loved to go shopping on her scooter. In her youth, she enjoyed the beach and loved spending time with her family. Frances liked camping, reading, working on puzzles and especially liked playing solitaire and searching through social media on her tablet. She will be sadly missed by family, friends and by her dog, Chico and cats, Baby Girl and Blue Eyes. She is survived by her daughters, Tracy Boisclair, Truro, Leona Duclos, Digby; grandchildren, Randy Boisclair, Buck and Luke Duclos, Laura (Duclos) Johnston, Jamie Robinson; sisters, Dorothy, Anne and Shirley as well as nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Danny MacDonnell; sons, David and Teddy; daughter, Tammy; sisters, Lidie, Normie and brother, Austin. Donations in her memory may be made to the Lung Association of N.S. Cremation has taken place. No visitation or service by request. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Online condolences may be made at [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**MacKENZIE**, Carol Ann, - 73, Greenfield, passed away peacefully surrounded by family in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro on December 23, 2022. Born in Truro to the late Raymond and Ruth Casey. Carol was a bright shining light in a dark world who will be forever loved and sadly missed.

Carol is survived by her son, Bob MacKenzie (Donnalee) and her beloved granddaughter, Abigail for whom she loved "to the moon and back". She is also survived by her sisters, Brenda Mosher (Jim) and Pat Findlay (Kevin); brothers, Glen Casey (Karen), Kenneth Casey (Patti), Chris Casey (Sonya), Timmy Casey (Beth), Paul Casey; sisters-in-law, Zilpha MacKenzie, Mary Ann Rutherford, Bonita MacDonald (Terry); brothers-in-law, Larry MacKenzie (Faye), George MacKenzie (Rhoda) along with numerous nieces and nephews on both sides of the family whom she loved as if they were her own. She was predeceased by the love of her life, Sedley Earl MacKenzie; her parents, Raymond and Ruth Casey; sister, Debbie Jordan; parents-in-law, Earl and Gwendolyn MacKenzie. In the early years of her career, Carol worked as a seamstress at Stanfield's Ltd. Later, she took courses to become a Continuing Care Assistant and worked as a CCA for several years. She also worked as an Educational Assistant in schools in the area. Carol went back to Stanfield's Ltd for a few years until she retired. She was also very involved in the Connection (Wesleyan) Church for over 40 years. Carol was a very kind and gentle soul, making her the best mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend anyone could ask for. She had a way of making you feel like the most important person in the room, always giving you her complete attention. Family was most important to Carol. She looked forward to every family get together. She was a fabulous cook/baker and always brought a spread to any family or church function. Delicious homemade meals and homemade bread were always readily available in her home. You never left hungry. She would always walk you to the door at the end of a visit. Without fail, if you looked back as you were leaving the driveway, you would see her standing in the porch window smiling and waving.

During her short but very courageous battle with cancer, she faced it head on and said "I'm not giving up" numerous times. She had a very strong faith which gave her peace in her final days. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS where a visitation was held December 28 and a service on Friday, December 30 with Pastor Luke Anderson officiating. A private interment will be held at Greenfield Cemetery at a later date. We would like to give a special thank you to the doctors and nurses on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Colchester East Hants Health Centre. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Connection (Wesleyan) Church or Canadian Cancer Society.

**AUGUSTINE**, Kevin Joseph "Stud" – Age 55, Millbrook. It is with saddened hearts we announce the sudden passing of our much-loved son, brother, father, grandfather and uncle, Kevin Joseph Augustine on December 24, 2022, at his home. He was born in New Castle, NB, a son of Noel Augustine, Burnt Church and the late Theresa Sylliboy-Sickles, Truro. Kevin is survived by his daughter, Autumn Augustine (Brandon); sons, Cole Augustine-Bernard, Tevin Brooks (Rosalie) and Geronimo Sylliboy-Augustine, all of Millbrook; his grandchildren, Kyson, Dryden, Marley, Oliver, Renezeme, Atticus and Charlie; his sisters, Karen Augustine, Dartmouth and Norella Simon, Burnt Church; his brothers, James Augustine (Penny), Debert, Elvis Augustine and Charles Augustine, both of Burnt Church, John Augustine (Kim), Truro and Michael Sylliboy (Sheena), Millbrook; sisters-in-law, Joanne Cope and Courtney Cope, both of Millbrook. Besides his mother, he was predeceased by his wife, Sharon; daughter, Rebecca Augustine; sisters, Karla, Tammy and Kelly Augustine and brother, Isaac. Kevin enjoyed bowling, fishing, playing softball, cleaning and going for walks. He was very friendly and always had a smile on his face. He was kind to everyone he met. He was affectionately nicknamed, "Stud" – a real ladies' man. Kevin was an awesome Grandad to Kyson and spent a lot of time with his #1. He was that special uncle to his nieces and nephews, always making sure to check-in on them often. He was a great stepdad, treating all like they were his own. Kevin radiated kindness and had a loving heart for everyone he knew. A visitation was held January 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Millbrook Seniors' Centre, 841 Willow Street, Millbrook. Funeral Mass was held January 4<sup>th</sup> in the Sacred Heart Church, Church Road, Millbrook with burial at a later date. Cremation will follow services. Online condolences are available at [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**CURRIE**, M. Faye - Age 77, of Amherst, formerly of Five Islands, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Springhill, she was a daughter of the late Harvey and Emma (Cooke) McCarthy. She is survived by daughters, Evelyn Currie (Ken Boudreau), Amherst; Kathryn Paul (Scott), East Mapleton; brothers, Raymond (Rose), Springhill; Ronald (Susan), Lower Five Islands; 3 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her first husband, Arthur Currie in 1987; her companion of 27 years, Leslie Eagles in 2015; a brother, Curtis. Funeral service was held Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Pastor David Forbes officiating. Burial in the Peniel United Cemetery, Five Islands at a later date. Memorial donations to Heart & Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia or the Kidney Foundation of Canada. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com)

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