

# OBITUARIES

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**KENNEDY, Athalie Marion Vere** - 92, Halifax passed away peacefully in Northwood Center, Halifax on November 22, 2010. Born in Truro, she was a daughter of the late Lorne and Merynie (Veneau) Kennedy. Her teaching career spanned over 35 years during which time she taught in Nova Scotia, Manitoba and Alberta. She is survived by her niece, Carol (Ron) Barkhouse; her nephew, David Fulton; great nieces and nephews, Bill (Reby), Blake (Cathy), April (Joachim), Jay (Danielle), Krista (Chad), Lisa (Reuban), Casey, Danielle, Mark, Leslie and eight great-great nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister, Lorna and brother-in-law, Harlan Fulton. No service by request. Burial was held in Bass River Baptist Cemetery on November 26. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. On-line condolences may be sent to [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com).

**PHILLIPS, Kevin Bartlett Chester** - The family of Kevin Phillips is saddened to announce his death on Friday, November 26, 2010 at home, age 55. Born in Amherst, he was a son of the late Rupert and Mary (Short) Phillips. Kevin trained as a machinist and was proud of his abilities in this field. He is survived by a daughter, Jennifer Price (Jason), Victoria, BC, her mother, Barb Rector, Edmonton, Alta; companion, Rozelle Morris, Parrsboro, their son, Anthony "Tony" Morris, Sackville, NB; sisters, Sandra Spence (George), Parrsboro; Teresa "Terry" Kaye-Phillips (Stephen Millen), Waterloo, Ont.; Kimberley Phillips, Amherst; a brother, Kendall (Patrick Burke), Mississauga, Ont.; several nieces and nephews, including Tammy Rector whom he relied on for the past few months. He was predeceased by a sister, Lyndis (2003); a brother, Barrington in infancy; a nephew, Craig Bartlett. A gathering of family and friends was held December 4, 2010 at the Parrsboro Legion Hall. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**VARNER, Roy H.** - 86, of Diligent River passed away Monday, November 29, 2010 at South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Glasgow Mountain, he was the son of the late George "Fred" and Leah (Bowden) Varner. He was a retired lumberman and carpenter. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, the former Janet Canning; daughter, Tammi Cormier (Wayne), Diligent River; sons, Neal (Nancy), Moncton; Blain (Jacki), Amherst; Kent (Cathy), Moncton; a sister, Mabel Green, Middleton; brother, Aubrey (Leoda), Yorke Settlement; 10 grandchildren, Chelsi, Bailee and Morgan Cormier; Jillian and Jeremy Varner; Adam and Melanie Varner; Courtney, Heather and Erik Varner; a great-grandson, Grayson; several nieces and nephews; special friend, Robert Dowe. He was predeceased by sisters, Bernice, Grace; brothers, Laurie, Edward, Stanley, Claude, Lloyd, Medley, Harry. Funeral service was held December 2, 2010 at the Diligent River Baptist Church, Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**BAAS, Cornelius "Keith"** - 80, Masstown, passed away peacefully December 1, 2010 in Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born in Holland, he was a son of the late Leendert and Johanna (VanDerluit) Baas. Keith came to Canada in 1953 and lived in Ontario until 1972 when he moved to Masstown. Here he began Truro Welding and Steel Ltd. He was the founder of the D.G.M. Men's Club; was on the Board of Directors of Colchester Credit Union for 9 years; was a member of the West Colchester Development Association and was elected as a councillor for ten years to the Municipality of Colchester County. Keith served on various boards of the Colchester Regional Development Association CORDA and was elected to the Board of the Colchester Park Development Society in 1996. His hobby was gardening. He enjoyed traveling with Rosemary to his homeland of Holland on several occasions and to England. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Rosemary (Adams); son, Brian (Joan) Baas, Ontario; stepdaughter, Alana (Gordon) Burtch, Ontario; stepsons, Scott (Brenda) Trenholm, Ontario, Calvin (Norine) Trenholm, B.C.; sisters, Corrie, Joke, Sara, Lenie, Ria, Marrie; brothers, Jan, Piet, Ingen, Burtus, Arie, Gerrit and their families; eleven grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a grandchild, Duane. Funeral service was held December 5, 2010 beginning with a Masonic Service, all in Masstown United Church with Rev. Don MacQueen officiating. Interment in Masstown United Church Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. On-line condolences may be sent to [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**Meehan, Raymond Keith, "Ray"** - 81, Truro, passed away suddenly, Thursday, December 2, 2010 at home. Born in Halifax, he was a son of the late Thomas and Audrey (Walters) Meehan. Ray retired from the Army as a cook. He was a Life Member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 26, Truro. He enjoyed playing music, pool, bowling, golf and camping. He is survived by his wife of 59 years Isobel; daughter Brenda Esau of Brookside; grandchildren, Nevin, Leanne, Amy; great-grandchildren, Maddie, Jacob, Katie, Charley, Josie; daughter-in-law Carol Meehan of Debert; brother Patrick (Shirley) of Thunder Bay, ON. He was predeceased by a son Randy; son-in-law Ralph Esau; sisters, Terri, Josephine, Sharon. Royal Canadian Legion Branch 26, Truro, conducted a Legion Tribute Service on Tuesday, December 7, 2010, followed directly by a funeral service officiated by Reverend Donald McQueen, in Mattatall-Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. The full obituary can be viewed and private messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**MOFFATT, Berta V.**, Truro - It is with regret that our family announces the passing of Berta V. Moffatt on Friday, December 3, 2010. As was her wish, she died peacefully, with her family by her side. Berta was born in Annapolis County, a daughter of Bertram and Lottie (Todd) Wagstaff. She was predeceased by her twin brothers, Donald and Douglas Wagstaff and sisters, Margaret Garry and Doris Fair. Her only surviving sister is Shirley MacAulay of Colorado. She is survived by her husband of 62 years, Douglas S. Moffatt. Also surviving are her four children, Deborah (Gus) MacLellan, Rebecca (Bryan) Langille, William (Gail) Moffatt, and Garfield (Susan) Moffatt. Surviving grand children are Daniel (Amy) MacLellan and Craig MacLellan (Kate Read), Erinn Beth Langille, Matthew Langille (Stephanie Cheng) and Michael Langille (Jamie Harris), Rachel, Jonathan and Luke Moffatt, Taylor and Liam Moffatt. Berta was predeceased by her much loved, youngest daughter, Rachel. Funeral was held at First United Church, Prince Street, Truro on December 6, 2010. Online condolences may be made by going to [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**TERFAY, Wilbert E.** - 90, of Parrsboro passed away Saturday, December 04, 2010 at Bayview Memorial Health Care Centre, Advocate Harbour. Born in Apple River, he was a son of the late Arthur and Lila (McWhirter) Terfay. He was a veteran of World War II serving overseas with RCME. Following the war, he was employed with CN for more than 30 years. He is survived by his wife, the former Madeline Yorke; daughter, Martha Terfay (John Fulton), Parrsboro; sister, Annie Dunbar, Rexton, N.B.; brothers, Cedric (Mary), Port Greville; Arthur, Jr. (Carolee), Truro; grandchildren, Allyson Bowden-Welsh (Kris), Diligent River; Lesley Whitford (Jeremy Fulton), Parrsboro; great-granddaughters, Kennedy, Kaleigh, Abigail; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Elsie; a brother, Wilfred. Funeral Service was held December 6, 2010 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the Parrsboro United Cemetery. Online condolences to [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**POWER, Maureen F.** - 81, Parrsboro passed away Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Diligent River, she was a daughter of the late Vaughn and Flora (Chandler) Morris. She is survived by her husband, Robert; sons, Vaughn Colpitts, Seattle, WA; Conrad, Alta.; Mark Arents (Diane), Nampa, Alta.; sisters, Barbara O'Laney, Amherst; Esther Boyd (Jack), Nappan; Isabelle Brown (Philip), Athol; brothers, St. Claire (Judith) and Conrad (Gerry), all of Peterborough, Ont.; Boyd (Jeannette), Brookdale; Mike, Parrsboro; 4 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a daughter, Juanita Heffler; brothers, Morley and Vaughn in infancy. Funeral service was held December 11, 2010 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro with Rev. Philip Scott officiating. Burial in the Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Nova Scotia or to the Southampton Baptist Church. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**RUSHTON, I. Ferne** - 61, Bass River, passed away on December 8, 2010, at home. Born in Truro, she was a daughter of the late Howard and Maude (Payne) Rushton. She is survived by brothers, Dwayne Rushton (Carolyn), Truro; James Rushton (Lillian), Glenholme; sisters, Kathleen Rushton (Louise), Glenholme; Bardena Gallant, Moncton; several nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, Ferne was predeceased by a half-brother, James Junior; half-sister, Carol Klevin; a sister Velveeta in infancy; a son in infancy; companion, Bernie McIsaac; brother-in-law, Cal Gallant. By Ferne's request, there was no visitation or funeral service. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. On-line condolences may be made at: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**FLETCHER, Dorothy A.** - 92, of New Salem, Cumberland Co. passed away Saturday, December 11, 2010 at Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Minudie, she was a daughter of the late Eford and Minnie (Crouse) Dawson. She is survived by step-daughters, Kaye Fletcher, St. Catharines, Ont.; Betty Learn (Alexander), Fort Erie, Ont.; step-sons, Lawrence Elderkin, Kelowna, B.C.; Wilbur Elderkin, Trenton, Ont.; Donald Fletcher (Sherry), New Salem; a sister, Hope Harrison (Donald), Maccan; several step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her first husband, Jack Elderkin; her second husband, Percy Fletcher; three brothers, Wylie, Curtis, Frank. Funeral service was held December 15<sup>th</sup> with Rev. Donald Hirtle officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com)

**Weatherby, Donald Aubrey** - With sadness and regret, we, the family of Donald Aubrey Weatherby of Bible Hill, announce his sudden passing on Saturday, December 11, 2010, at home. Born on May 23, 1932, in East Mines he was the eldest child of Bertha (Reid) and the late Thomas Weatherby. Donnie worked for Eastern Transport as a truck driver and ended his career there in the position of Operations Supervisor. Due to declining health, Donnie moved to Bible Hill last summer but still maintained his independence with a little help from family and friends. Don is survived by Mother, Bertha McLaughlin, Bible Hill; daughters, Sandra Fortnum, London, Ont.; Nancy Adams (Ernie), Truro; son, Donald (Ann), London, Ont.; step-daughter Tracy McRae (Stan), Manganese Mines; step-son, John Cotterill (Jenn), Halifax. He is also survived by sisters, Marion McNutt, Truro; Charlotte Toole (Albert), Bible Hill; Catherine Terry, Truro; Dorothy Adams, Debert; brother, David (Shirley), Greenfield. Grampie will be respectfully and lovingly remembered by his grandchildren, Sheridon Weatherby, Jared and Haley Adams, Bradley and Christopher Moore and Jason McRae, and Jamie and Kellie Cotterill as well as many nieces and nephews. Besides his father, Donnie was predeceased by his first wife Mary (Toots), second wife, Lois, sister, Jean Totten, and stepfather Roy McLaughlin. Graveside service was held Thursday, December 16, 2010, in Plains Road Cemetery, Debert, Reverend Don McQueen officiated. The full obituary can be viewed and private messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**ROBERTS, Karen E.** - 67, Parrsboro passed away Monday, December 13, 2010 at Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Halifax, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Mabel (Winter) Rowlings. She is survived by her partner, David; son, Michael Mairdonald and daughter, Christena Mairdonald, both of Alliston, Ont.; sisters, Judy Gee (Michael), Parrsboro; Diane Wykes, West Vancouver, B.C.; grandson, Archie Mairdonald; nieces, Heather Kimmie (Don); Kimberly Kerridge (Ritch Whyman); and Stephanie Kerridge (Marc Milliard); nephew, Mark Wykes (Lisa); great-nephews, Luc Milliard, Jacob and Colson Wykes, Braydon and Devon Kimmie; other family and friends including former husband, Wayne Mairdonald, Victoria Harbour, Ont.; very special cousins, Georgia Hingley (Henry), Fox River; Patricia Mosher (Randy), Hantsport; John McCabe (Cathy), Halifax; and dear friend, JoeAnn Keating, Parrsboro. Cremation has taken place and will be followed at a later date by a private burial service at Grace United Church Cemetery in Port Greville. On-line condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**FIELDS, George Aubrey** - 78. It is with deep sorrow that the family of George Aubrey Fields "Sonny" of Upper Onslow, Colchester County, announce his passing on Tuesday December 14, 2010 in Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro, surrounded by his family. Born in Truro he was the son of the late George and Audrey (Langille) Fields. He was employed at 17 with the CNR and retired as a Locomotive Engineer in 1986. He was a property owner in Truro for 53 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Isabel (Smith) "Liz"; sons, Kevin (Donna), Truro; Timothy (Karen Hutchinson), Onslow Mountain; daughters, Lisa (Mike) Swinimer, Lower Sackville, Patricia (Richard) Dennis, Onslow Mountain and Suzanne (Ryan MacNeil), Onslow Mountain, 11 grandchildren; Devin, Ryan, Kally, Tyler, James, Rachel, Corey, Colby, Shelton, Samuel and Benjamin and one great grandchild, Brooklyn. Besides his parents he was predeceased by his brother, Denis. No visitation or funeral service by George's request. A private family funeral service will be held in the Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, NS. Online condolences can be made at: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**LEAMONT, Ellen Ruth** - 61, Upper Onslow. It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Ellen Ruth Leamont on December 14, 2010 in Truro. Ellen was born on May 31, 1949 in Onslow Mountain. She was predeceased by her parents, Charles and Margaret (Sterling) Leamont. Ellen is survived by her partner, Arthur Hill, Upper Onslow; her children, Michael Hatt, Montreal and Darcie Hatt (James Oxley), Truro; grandson, Christian Hatt, Truro. Ellen lovingly built her life around her family and pets, her home and beautiful gardens. She had a flair for decorating and her passion for gardening was contagious. Ellen believed in living each day to its fullest and always looked eagerly to the future. She will be greatly missed by family pets Zinnia and Lilli. Interment in Onslow Island Cemetery. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to Onslow Island Cemetery Maintenance Fund. On-line condolences may be made at [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)



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*Sunshine on snow laden trees  
 Now greet awaking eyes  
 Snow enough for Christmas  
 Beneath the pale blue skies.*

*Alas! The snow piles disappear  
 Beneath the morning sun  
 But the child wind says, December  
 Though winter's just begun.*

*The forecast speaks of rain and wind  
 As Christmas eve draws near  
 But love that comes at Christmas  
 Can banish all our fears.*

*The love that heralds the Saviors birth  
 That still is freely given.  
 And without snow love is still there  
 That Love sent down from Heaven.*

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