

# OBITUARIES

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**GORDON**, Vayle Austin - Great Village. It's with great sadness we announce the passing of our Dad on May 15th, 2010. He was 82 years old. Born in 1927 in Rolleau, SK, he was the son of the late Roy and Florence (Jackson) Gordon. Besides his wife Jean, he is survived by daughter, Linda; son, Ross; daughter, Lois; granddaughter, Kelli; sister, Audrey (Ken) Congdon; sister, Jean Schaschl; sister-in-law, Mary (Jack) Barley; many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by two baby daughters; son-in-law, Ross McLean; sister, Shiela MacRae; brothers-in-law, Karl Schaschl, Louie MacRae, Russell Smith, Donnie Smith. Friends were invited to join with the family on Saturday, May 22, 2010, at the Royal Canadian Legion, Cobequid Branch 72, Great Village. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**LANG**, Graham Ernest - 79, Debert, passed away peacefully, Saturday morning, May 22, 2010, in Colchester Regional Hospital. Born November 27, 1930, in New York, he was a son of the late Percival and Ethel (MacLean) Lang. Graham was a life time member of Debert United Church, where he served as treasurer for about 50 years, caretaker, sang in the choir, and was Clerk of Session for about 25 years. During his working life he held a number of positions including working at the radio transmitter in Onslow for CKCL, switchboard operator for MT & T and Camp Debert, was a brakeman for the CNR, a warehouse worker for Atlantic Wholesalers, and finally as a laborer at Weskin Inc., in Debert. Graham is survived by his sister, Edith (Leo) Kean, Upper Onslow; brother, Charles (Carol) Lang, Nanaimo, British Columbia; several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Graham was predeceased by his brother, Colin Lang. Fittingly, his funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 26, 2010, in Debert United Church, as it was so much a part of his life. The service began with a Masonic Tribute. Graham had received his 50th Year Jewel in 2009 as a member of King George Lodge Debert. A large delegations attended from the Masonic Order, members of the Session and Stewards of the Church, the DGM Men's Club, the Friendly Neighbours Seniors Club, of which he served as President and many friends and neighbours. Memories were shared by long time friends Tom Rissesco and Douglas Stiles and by nephew Ian Kean who send his by e-mail from the Kingdom of Bhutan. A Community choir in which he often participated sang the 23rd Psalm and "Precious Lord, take my Hand". The Rev. Lester Settle, a former minister of the Church and secretary of the Men's Club was the Organist. The Reverend Don MacQueen officiated. Interment was in Plains Road Cemetery. A time of fellowship and sharing followed in the church hall.

**TUPPER**, Nathan M. - 79, Templar Street, Parrsboro passed away Sunday, June 06, 2010 at South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Parrsboro, he was a son of the late Nathan F. Tupper and the late Vanessa (Berry) (Tupper) Canning. He was a former engineer, mechanic and was the very first employee at Parrsboro Metal Fabricators where he retired from in 1996. During his retirement, he became an avid gardener and carver with his plants, flower and crafts spread across the country. He was a former fire chief of the Parrsboro Volunteer Fire Department. He is survived by his daughters, Natalie Rector (Bill), Parrsboro; Sandra O'Quinn, Kinsac, Halifax Co.; sons, Michael (Cindy); Doug (Sue), all of Parrsboro; beloved grandsons, Jonathan, Chris, Craig, Shaun, Michael and Andrew; "special angel" great-granddaughter, Isabella; brother, Charles, Parrsboro; several nieces and a nephew. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his wife, the former Avora Welton; "special" friend, Norma McBride; step-father, Wilfred Canning. Funeral was held Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at the Parrsboro Baptist Church with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**BATES**, R. James "Jimmy" - 65, of Debert, Colchester Co. and formerly of Highland Village passed away Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born in Five Islands, he was a son of Arlene (Doyle) Bates, Debert and the late James W. Bates. Jimmy was well known in the area for his culinary skills and especially for his delicious jams, jellies, and relishes that he sold through Masstown Market for several years. Besides his mother, he is survived by a brother, Philip, Waterloo, Ont.; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by a brother, Gordon. Memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**DEWAR**, Mildred May "Millie" - 99, Cedarstone Enhanced Care, Truro, formerly of Great Village and Townsview Estates, passed away peacefully on Monday afternoon, May 24, 2010, in the home, just six days before her 100th birthday. Born May 30, 1910, in Harmony, she was a daughter of the late Oscar and Mabel (McCabe) Reid. Millie is survived by her son, George Lynch, Trenton, Ontario; grandchildren, Phillip Lynch, Trenton, Ontario (Victoria Lehman, Texas); Cheryl Lynch (Robert Steadman), Mexico; Laura Lee Lynch (Andy Hazelwood), James (Janet) Lynch, all of North Bay, Ontario; great grandchildren, Ron, Asia, Jamie, Ella; several nieces and nephews. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her first husband, Stuart Lynch; second husband, Alden Dewar; son, Phillip in infancy; sisters, Alma, Jessie; brothers, Isaac, Sanford, Harry, Charles. All are invited to attend a graveside funeral service that will be held 2 p.m., Sunday, July 11, 2010, in Portapique Cemetery, Reverend Dan Gunn officiating. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**GILBERT**, Margaret B. "Peggy" - 69, of West Brook, Cumberland Co. passed away Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Springhill, she was a daughter of the late Lawrence and Doris (Pettigrew) Pettigrew. She is survived by her husband, Gordon; a son, Peter (Sandra), West Brook; sisters, Melissa Davies, London, Ont.; Madeline Pettigrew (Terry), London, Ont.; Carol Proctor (Ernest), West Brook; Valerie Bates (Dave), London, Ont.; Gloria Brownell (Keith Burbine), River Hebert; Kathy Rector (Charles), Amherst; Shelly Rogers (Jimmy), Southampton; a brother, Larry, Parrsboro; 2 grandchildren, Jackie and Bradley; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a sister, Diana; a brother, Robert. Funeral service was held Saturday, June 5th at Smith's Funeral Home with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the West Brook Cemetery. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**KERNOHAN**, David "Doc" M.D. - 87, of Parrsboro, Cumberland Co. passed away Wednesday, June 2, 2010 in the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Ballymena, Northern Ireland, David came to Canada in 1950 and practiced medicine in Parrsboro until 1993, where he also operated a large farm. David loved the countryside and the people of the area. He is survived by his wife, Mollie; son, Andrew and daughter-in-law, Anne MacLellan; daughter, Ann and granddaughter, Mary. He was predeceased by his daughter, Mary Kernohan. A memorial service was held Saturday, June 5, 2010 at St. George's Anglican Church, Parrsboro with Rev. Tory Byrne officiating. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**WHIDDEN**, Eleanor Mae - Greenfield. It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of our loving mother and friend, Eleanor Mae (Davison) Whidden. Eleanor, who was 81, passed away on June 4, 2010 at the Colchester Regional Hospital in Truro with her beloved son Fred and daughter Nancy Strong by her side. Eleanor will be sadly missed by sister-in-law Joan Hoare, long-time friend Frances Langille, and dear friend George Bates. Eleanor was a devoted and loving wife of 61 years to the late Sterling Whidden. She was predeceased by daughter Norma "Marlene" and son-in-law Bob Strong. Born in Portapique, she was the daughter of the late James and Mae Davison and was the last surviving member of her immediate family. Eleanor and her late husband Sterling developed Greenfield Crest Ayrshire Farm which they owned and operated together for 50 years with their son, Fred. A celebration of Eleanor's life was held on June 10th, 2010 in First United Church, 711 Prince Street, Truro, with Rev. Judith Perry officiating. Interment in the Greenfield Cemetery. On-line condolences may be made at: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**ARMSWORTHY**, Irene Louise-60, Crowe's Mills, Colchester County. We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of our mother, who was called home to join her Lord on June 4, 2010, in the QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax, with her daughter Joann at her side, after a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Truro on June 1, 1950, she recently celebrated her birthday with friends and family, looking forward to the warm summer months. She was the youngest child of the late John A. Dunlap and Agnes (Hamilton) Dunlap. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. Irene is survived by her daughter Joann (Rick) Merritt, Bible Hill; sons, Doug Armsworthy and Greg Armsworthy, both of Crowe's Mills; grandchildren, Brittany, Nicole, Natalie, Kenny and Dakota; sisters, Tilly (Bill) Harrison, Edmonton AB.; Anna (Len) Martin, B.C.; Bertha (Calvin) Peppard, Kathy Downing, both of Onslow Mountain; Shirley (Harold) Stairs, N.B.; brother, George Dunlap, East Mountain. She was predeceased by her husband Donald; sister, Mary; brothers, Tom, Mark, Robert, James, Haliburton, and Andrew (in infancy). She will be missed by her treasured friend, Cheryl Murray. Funeral service was held June 8, 2010 at Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Pastor Glenn Ronson officiating. Interment in the Belmont Cemetery. On-line condolences may be made at: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**COLLINS-YORKE**, Sarah - 94, of New Canaan, Cumberland Co. passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan with family by her side. Born in New Canaan, she was a daughter of the late Charles and Augusta (Skidmore) Brown. She, with her husband, operated a family blueberry business for many years. She was Past Deputy Grand Chief of Riverside Temple, Southampton and was Past District Deputy President of the Blomidon Rebecca Lodge, Parrsboro. She was a member of the New Canaan United Church and later the Southampton United Church. She is survived by sons, Merlyn (Helen), New Canaan; George (Joyce), Southampton; Corlas (Arlene), Diligent River; 11 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her first husband, Thornton Collins in 1980; second husband, Cyril Yorke in 1998; sisters, Violet, Frances, Lillian; brothers, Leo, Leslie, Thomas. Funeral service was held June 11, 2010 at the Southampton United Church with Rev. Elizabeth Davies officiating. Burial in the New Canaan Cemetery. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**GAMBLE**, Frederick Leroy (1932-2010) - 77 Surrounded by loving family, Fred Gamble peacefully passed away at his home in Londonderry on June 10th, 2010, after an earnest battle with cancer. He is predeceased by his parents, Greta Lydia Rushton (Westchester) and David Hamilton Gamble (Londonderry); his brothers, Carl (Debert) and Ronald (Brookfield); his sisters, Doris Whynot (Bridgewater), Helen Scott (Sutherland's Lake), and infant sister Hazel. He is survived by his loving wife, Rose (McLeod) Gamble; brother, Darrell (Pictou); his eight children, Debbie Fulton (Gerry Richard) (Bass River); Dennis (Betty) (Folly Mountain); Barbie (Bobby) McNutt (Londonderry); Clay (Joanne) (Lornevale); Fonda (John) Smyth (Truro); Sandra (Stephen) Gambin (Saint John, NB); Glenn (Brampton, ONT); and Nicole (Dale) Hart (Truro); fifteen grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, one great great grandson, and numerous nieces and nephews. A family graveside service was held Sunday, June 13, 2010, at Hillcrest Cemetery, Londonderry. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**WILLIGAR**, Hazel M. - 89, of Parrsboro, Cumberland Co. passed away Sunday, June 13, 2010 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. She was a daughter of the late Stanley and Jenny (Davis) Aylward. Hazel was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She is survived by daughters, Hilda Adams (Gary); Linda Willigar (Doug); Marjorie Shaw (Ronald); sons, Ralph (Ruth); Myles (Lynda), all of Parrsboro; a sister, Mildred Snowden, Springhill. She will be sadly missed by her 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren who will remember her as Nanny with hugs, kisses, milk, cookies and unconditional love. She was predeceased by her husband, Stephen E. Willigar in 1991; sisters, Grace, Regina and Lillian; brothers, Ralph, Edward and Lloyd. Funeral service was held Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at St. George's Anglican Church, Parrsboro with Rev. Tory Byrne officiating. Burial in the St. George's Anglican Cemetery. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**DICKIE**, Gerald "Gerry" Bayne, 75, Upper Onslow, passed away May 28, 2010 in QE II Infirmary, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Born in Belmont, he was the son of the late Cecil and Reta (Smith) Dickie. Gerald spent most of his life in Ontario driving tractor trailers for Neilson/Cadbury. He is survived by his sister, Marjorie McCabe, Moncton; brothers, Ken (Nora), Bible Hill, Victor (Betty), Brookfield; several nephews and a niece. He was predeceased by his brother, Foster. A Memorial Service was held June 1st at Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, N.S. with Rev. Larry Harrison officiating. Interment in Onslow Island Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Kidney Foundation of Nova Scotia. On line condolences may be made to: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**JOHNSON**, Raymond "Swede" Nelson - 93, Lower Onslow, passed away June 18, 2010 in Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born in Valley, Colchester County, he was the son of the late Leonard and Minnie (Bailey) Johnson. He is survived by daughter Dorothy (Wayne) Dauphinee, Fredericton; sons, Reginald (Janet), Jordan Station, Ontario, Robert, Truro; granddaughters Susan, Sarah; step grandsons, Todd, Rob; brothers, Wesley (Delia), Truro, Roy, St. Catherines, On; several nieces and nephews. Raymond was predeceased by his wife, Grace (Fleming); sisters, Violet, Freda, Vivian; brothers, Chester, Earl, Leonard, Aubrey. Funeral service was held Tuesday, June 22, 2010, with Rev. Gerald Kerr officiating. Interment in the Lower Onslow Clarke Cemetery. On-line condolences may be made to: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**CUMING**, Barbara Lorraine - Truro. The death of Barbara Lorraine Cuming occurred at the Colchester Regional Hospital in Truro on Saturday, June 19, 2010. Born in Fredericton, NB, Barbara was a daughter of the late Allen and Bessie (Grant) MacNabb of Fredericton. She is survived by her husband, Fred; sons, Gary (Bonnie), Melville; Mark (Rosemary), Halifax; John (Julie), Halifax; eight grandchildren, Peter and Jonathan, Daniel and Jordan, Robbie, Jacob, Tom and Claire; five great-grandchildren; sister, Lorna (Ralph) Peters, Saint John, NB; sisters-in-law, Betty (Harold Jenken), Niagara Falls, ON; Millicent Cuming and Joan MacNabb of Fredericton, NB; and special daughter Darlene Campbell, Truro. She was predeceased by her parents and one brother, Gordon "Bud" MacNabb. A private family memorial service was held with Rev. Lori Ramsey and Rev. Gary Yetman officiating. On-line condolences may be made at: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**CUMING**, Frederick Gordon, 87, Truro, passed away June 20, 2010 in Colchester Regional Hospital. Born in Fredericton, New Brunswick he was the eldest son of the late Gordon and Hattie (Bonnar) Cuming. Fred graduated from the University of New Brunswick and Dalhousie University with a BSC and MSC in science. He worked with the Canadian Forestry Service for 35 years. Fred was a Navy veteran of WW II, a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #26, Truro, and the Masonic Lodge # 43 and Scottish Rite. He is survived by his sons, Gary (Bonnie), Mark (Rosemary), John (Julie), all of Halifax; sister, Betty Jenken; sisters-in-law, Millicent Cuming, Lorna (Ralph) Peters, Joan MacNabb; eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Barabara (MacNabb); brother William. A private joint family memorial service for Fred and Barbara was held in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, with Rev. Lori Ramsey and Rev. Gary Yetman officiating. Interment for both will be held later in Fredericton, N.B. On-line condolences may be made at: [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)

**COX**, Annie Mildred - 89, Great Village, where she resided with Glenys and Parker, formerly of Truro, passed away peacefully Saturday morning, June 19, 2010, in Cedarstone Enhanced Care. Born July 9, 1920, in Glace Bay, she was a daughter of the late James and Mary (Lynk) MacPherson. Annie is survived by her daughter, Glenys Anderson (Parker Morris), Little Dyke; sons, Courtney (Joyce), Regina; Randy (June), Truro; Lawrence (Leone), Little Dyke; Alan, Truro; 11 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren; sister, Valerie (Lewis) Linton, Quebec; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Elmer Smith Cox; daughter, Nancy in infancy; sisters, Pearl, Marguerite, Christelda, Thelma, Donna; brothers, Allister, Clarence, Lawrence, Clinton, James "Junior". Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall ~ Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Wednesday, June 23, 2010, Reverend David Lutes officiated. Interment was in Robie Street Cemetery. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**MOORING**, Doreen Shirley - 73, of Bible Hill, passed away Monday, June 21, 2010, at The Mira Long Term Care Facility Truro. Born in Belmont, she was a daughter of the late Donald David and Alice Loleta (Graham) Roode. She is survived by sons, Jesse David (Barb Jackson), Dartmouth; Shawn Roderick, Bible Hill; daughter, Lorelei Alice (Martin Walsh), Sussex NB; sisters, Carolyn McNeil (Frank), Crowes Mills; Donna Shearer (Sterling), Belmont; brothers, Jack Roode (Joyce), Crowes Mills; Arnold Roode (Nellie), Onslow Mountain; grandchildren, Steven Mooring and Vanessa Mooring; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Jesse Freeman Mooring; grandson, Christopher Jesse David. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall ~ Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Thursday, June 24, 2010, Reverend Brian DeLong officiated. Interment was in Bible Hill Cemetery, Bible Hill. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**FULTON**, Lloyd Carson - 93, lifelong resident of Bass River, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at Vimy Court Nursing Home in Bible Hill. Born in Bass River, he was a son of the late George Bradbury and Margaret (Henderson) Fulton. Lloyd was a farmer, construction worker and sawyer for most of his life. He was a lifelong member of the Oddfellows Lodge of which he was District Deputy Grand Master and had just received his 75- year jewel. He also was a member of the Bass River Baptist Church. Lloyd was a very loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend to all who knew him. He is survived by his loving wife, the former Rose Gertrude Davison; sons, Hedley (Ethel), Centerville; Gerald (Dianne), Logan (Joan), Truro; Richard (Marilyn), Comox BC; sister, Rose (Ted) Fulton, Toronto; brother, Cyril (Minnie), Dartmouth; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by brothers, Charles, George, Fred. Funeral service was held Saturday, June 26, 2010, in Mattatall ~ Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, Mr. Larry Tirrell officiated and Reverend Florence Antle-Brison assisted. Cremation followed. Interment has taken place in the Bass River Baptist Cemetery. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)



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