

OBITUARIES

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Casey, Andrew Scott - 32, of Valley, passed away suddenly on June 1, 2022 in the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. He was born in Truro on April 26, 1990. He is the son of Chris and Sonya (Crossman) Casey. He is survived by his brother, Michael (Nadia Hassan); grandmothers, Sharon Rundle and Betty Crossman; aunts, Ann Crossman (Ray Telder), Brenda Mosher (James), Carol MacKenzie (Sedley), Pat Findlay (Kevin); great aunt, Carole Darrah (Dave); and uncles, Glen Casey (Karen), Kenneth Casey (Patricia), Tim Casey (Beth), Paul Casey and many cousins. He was predeceased by grandparents, Raymond and Ruth Casey, Raymond Crossman and aunt, Debbie Jordan. Andrew lived life to the fullest and always had a smile on his face. He had a vivacious laugh that would brighten up the room and make everyone smile. He thought the absolute world of his family and friends and would go above and beyond to do anything for them. He did everything wholeheartedly including gaming, hiking, fishing, watching anime, socializing and totally enjoying good food. Andrew's kindness shined when he interacted with children and animals; who were both drawn to him. He will be forever missed by his family, friends and loyal cat, Misty. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the SPCA. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, NS where a visitation was held on Saturday, June 4th at 3pm until time of a Celebration of Life Service at 4pm with Pastor Dave MacLean officiating. Interment in Eagle Hill Cemetery. Webcasting will begin at 3:58pm (AST) and is available with online condolences at www.ColchesterCommunity.com



GEDDES, Vernon M. - 90, Truro, passed away peacefully on Saturday morning, May 28, 2022, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Truro, and raised on the family dairy farm in Alton, he was a son of the late Ozro and Annie (McInnis) Geddes. Vernon and his late wife, Shirley, attended First United Church and after Shirley's passing, he began attending Trinity United Church with his special friend, Jennie Whalen. In earlier years, he worked in the Service Department at Cockshutt Farm Equipment and Nelson Motors. He then drove trucks for Barnhill Transport and White Rose Oil Company until 1963. Vernon is survived by his sons, Paul Geddes, Truro; Kim Geddes (Lyndsay Murphy), Truro; granddaughter, Samantha Geddes (Brian Landsberg), Camden; great grandson, Lane Landsberg; many nieces and nephews. Following Shirley's death, Vernon found great companionship and a loyal friend in Jennie Whalen, and they have enjoyed many years together. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his wife, Shirley (Carter); siblings, Benjamin (Evelyn) Geddes, Douglas (Ruth) Geddes, Lenore (Hume) Ellis. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Wednesday, June 1, Reverend Glenn MacLean officiated. Interment was held in Brookfield Westside Cemetery. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

DIXON, Hank - passed away peacefully on June 2, 2022 at his home in North River. Hank leaves behind his mother, Joan Dixon; brothers, William (Leslie), Troy (Goldie) and Danny; his partner (his better half), Pauline; mother of his sons, Paula; his sons, Dale (Jade), Dylan (Craig); their son, Corbin; his stepdaughters, Jamie, Briana (Carson), Emily, Sydney; nieces, Nicole (Dolton), Emily (Ryan) and their children, Caige, Zoey, Kholson. He was predeceased by his father, Isaac Dixon. Born in Toronto, Hank and his family moved to North River in 1973. He proudly operated the family business, B&D Glass & Mirror. Hank's business pursuits included running his Christmas tree farm, along-side his son, Dale, for 30 years, the 311 U-Fish with Pauline and pumpkin and sunflower farming. Hank was passionate about giving back to his community. Hank was a proud member of the Masonic Lodge Corinthian 63. Hank enjoyed spending his time outdoors. Hunting and fishing were his passions. Hank loved having a good time with great friends and enjoyed having a good laugh. Life with Hank was a "Dream come true". A heartfelt thank you to the hardworking caregivers who provided exceptional care to Hank. The IWK Hospital, Victoria General Hospital, Colchester East Hants Health Centre, The Palliative Care team and the VON. Hank's family will be forever grateful for all that Marcus Costandi, Kim McNutt and Emily Stewart have done over the past year. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society. A celebration will be held in Hank's honour on Saturday, June 18th from 2-4pm in his homestead of 40 years at 91 Highway 311, North River.

SENCABAUGH, Gordon L. - Age 80, of Parrsboro passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at the Northumberland Hall (Shannex) in Amherst. Born in Parrsboro, he was a son of the late Lawson and Josephine (Brown) Sencabaugh. Gordie was employed in many professions over the years, but enjoyed most, his time farming wild blueberries, and had a long standing relationship with the late Croyden Wood and family, operating as Jenks Meadow Farm. He was a life member of the Parrsboro Baptist Church, and was responsible for the cemetery for many years. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by a brother, Carson. Gordie will be greatly missed by friends, neighbours and family, particularly his long time friend, Darrell Spence, with whom he enjoyed going out for weekly breakfasts, since the 80's. A graveside service of remembrance was held on Thursday, June 9, 2022 at the Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery (Old Section), Pastor David Forbes officiated. Memorial donations may be made to the Parrsboro Baptist Church. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at: www.smithsfuneralhome.com

SHEPHERD, Mark Edward - Age 71, Truro, lived most of his adult life in Halifax. He moved to Truro two years ago to be closer to family. Mark passed away peacefully on June 7, 2022, surrounded by family in his sister and brother-in-law, Deb and Pete's home. Mark was born in Halifax on December 24, 1950 – an extra special Christmas present that year! Mark and his brother, Mike owned and operated the Wyse Owl Beverage Room in Dartmouth in the 1970's, a place famous for its music and good times. Mark spent the rest of his working life serving people their favourite beverages with a smile and keeping them entertained with his quick wit. He ended his career at Jenny's in Halifax, where he is still loved and missed by customers. With a great love of travel, Mark's favourite place to visit was Mexico, where he spent most of his winters after retirement. Mark had the most kind and gentle soul, and we are already feeling a huge void in our lives. Mark was predeceased by his parents, Jack and Mary (Tobin) Shepherd; brother, Mike and niece, Toni. He is survived by his sisters, Nancy, Sheila and his favourite baby sister, Debbie and brother-in-law, Pete Chisholm; stepdaughter, Andrea Miller (Adan) and their children, Alexandria and Antonio. He had many nieces and nephews, but had a very special place in his heart for his niece, Kate and nephew, Iain and their families. We would like to thank both the VON and the Palliative Care team in Truro for working so hard to support us in our goal to keep Mark at home with us. You provided us a level of service, support and guidance we desperately needed and will be forever grateful for. If desired, donations may be made to the VON. Cremation has taken place. There will be no service, at Mark's request. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Online condolences are available at www.ColchesterCommunity.com

SPENCER, Karl Delmar - 75, of Spencer Point Road, Great Village, passed away on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 in the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Truro, he was a son of the late Clayton and Bertha Spencer. Karl is survived by his only child, Karla (Spencer) and fiancé Dennis Benere of Enfield; grandson, Dylan (Kayleigh) Askew of Lantz; granddaughter, Brea Askew of Enfield; sisters-in-law, Dorris of Ontario, and Myrna (Frank) Weir, Crowes Mills. He was predeceased by his wife, Iona Spencer; brothers, Keith and Garth Spencer; sister, Thelma Spencer; sisters and brothers-in-law, Agnes and Newell Hill; Alvis and Velma Hines; mother and father-in-law Harry and Hilda Fahey. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro where the funeral service was held on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, Reverend Mark Kingsbury officiated. Interment was in Mahon Cemetery, Great Village. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

FOLEY, Sean Daniel - 57, Belmont, passed away suddenly, as a result of health complications, on Saturday evening, June 11, 2022, at home. Born in Toronto, he was a son of the late Daniel and Margaret (Brown) Foley. Sean is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Patricia "Pat" (Mulle); children, Robert Foley (Morgan Furlotte), Bass River; Lindsay Brewer, Lunenburg; siblings, Leeann Billard, Edmonton, Alberta; Bart (Monica) Lausanne, New Ross; many nieces and nephews. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Sherry. A celebration of Sean's life will be held at a later date at Onslow – Belmont Fire Hall. If so desired, donations in Sean's memory to Onslow – Belmont Fire Brigade are welcomed. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

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Exhibitions Assistance Program Expanded

Nova Scotia's agricultural exhibitions can get help reopening this year through an expanded provincial infrastructure program. The \$226,000 exhibitions program will now accept applications to cover some operating expenses, in addition to funding upgrades and repairs to grounds and facilities.

"For this year, we are expanding the program to help agricul-

tural exhibitions with eligible operating expenses so they can open fully for the first time since the pandemic forced closures in

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Applications for funding from the Nova Scotia Exhibition Infrastructure Program must be received by August 1.

There are 13 exhibitions and eight fairs that are part of the Exhibition Association of Nova Scotia. About 100,000 people attended exhibitions in their last year of full operations in 2019.

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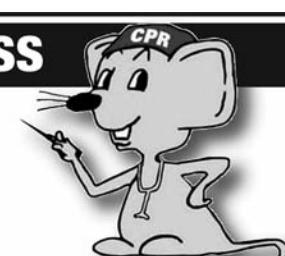
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