

OBITUARIES

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ELLISON, Corrie Robert— 42, Truro. It is with deep sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Corrie on Saturday, April 18, 2020, in Portapique. Corrie and his brother, Clint, were visiting with his father when Corrie was taken from us during a senseless tragedy. Corrie is survived by his father, Richard Ellison, Portapique; brother, Clinton "Clint" Ellison (Angela), Halifax; son, Conner; aunts, Jean Hooper, Ottawa, Ontario; Kaye Blois, Truro; uncle, David (Doris) Ellison, Portapique; several cousins. He was predeceased by his mother, Deborah Ann (Kirk) Ellison; paternal grandparents, Victor and Bessie Ellison, who loved him dearly; several aunts and uncles. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

TUCK, Aaron Todd was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Aaron lived his life devoted to his wife and daughter. He enjoyed get-togethers with family and friends around a good fire, listening to his records and staying connected to friends....with a few drinks. Aaron was known as a crafty individual with a big heart and he was very mechanically inclined. He loved and was known in communities for restoring cars and was also experienced in leather work. Aaron is survived by numerous family members and friends in Alberta and Nova Scotia. He was predeceased by his father, Bruce Tuck and mother, Gloria Mae as well as Angus Rogers. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

OLIVER, Jolene Lori was born in Calgary, Alberta. Jolene lived her life centered around her family. She often organized gatherings and was always one to reach out and stay connected with her family members and friends across Canada. Jolene served as a career waitress and loved connecting with people in the community. She enjoyed writing poetry, was an avid bird watcher and had a passion for nature. Jolene enjoyed every aspect of life and was able to see the positive in every situation. Jolene is survived by her parents, John and Bonnie Oliver; sisters, Crystal (Warren) Mendiuk and their children, Josh and Sara; Tammy Oliver-McCurdie (Ken McCurdie) and their children, Richard, Justin and Sydney as well as numerous other family members and friends. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

TUCK, Emily Mae was born in Calgary, Alberta. She was a wonderful blend of both her parents but had her own uniqueness as well. Emily was brave, strong, and outspoken. Emily will always be remembered for her kind heartedness, her sense of humor and her selflessness. She enjoyed playing her fiddle ("never call it a violin"), creating art and writing poetry. Emily spent a great deal of time in the garage with her dad where she learned about mechanics and often helped him with his projects. She had a talent for and enjoyed working in construction and wanted to apprentice as a welder. Emily was a bright light to her family and to those who had the pleasure of crossing paths with her. Emily was loved by all who knew her and will be remembered by many extended family and friends across Canada. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

GULENCHYN, Dawn and Frank – Portapique. In loving memory of Dawn and Frank Gulenchyn who were taken from us too soon. Survived by their sons, Ryan and Jonathan; daughter, Traceena; lovingly remembered by all their brothers and sisters and their families. Nana and Papa to Riley, Nolan, Alyssa, Callie, Ethan, Isabella, Kaylee-Anne, Keagan and Makinlee. They are at peace with their late granddaughter, Heaven-Lee. Frank was a loving son to the late Pearl and Peter Gulenchyn. Dawn was a loving daughter to the late Ralph Patriquin (Helen) and Marion Rusnell (Deane). They will always be together and forever in our hearts. The family would like to thank everyone for the continued support throughout this difficult time. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

ZAH, John Joseph was born in 1950 in Morris, Minnesota and graduated from Morris High School in 1967. He briefly attended St. Cloud State University before joining the United States Navy where he served as a Russian linguist. He has four children – Jennifer, Sarah, Andrew and Daniel from his first marriage. In 1981 he moved to Grand Forks, North Dakota where he started his career with Federal Express. Elizabeth Joanne Thomas was born in 1961 in Winnipeg, Manitoba and graduated from Pierre Radisson Collegiate in 1979. She moved to Grand Forks, North Dakota in 1980 to attend University of North Dakota. She was employed at United Hospital there. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

MacALONEY, Vennessa K. – Age 74, of Parrsboro passed away Friday, April 24, 2020 at the QEII Health Sciences Centre (Infirmary Site), Halifax. Born in Truro, she was a daughter of the late Elwin and Jean Barrett, and step-mother, Iona (Hughes) Barrett. She is survived by her husband, Lloyd; daughters, Norma Jean; Lynn Neil (Harry Taylor), all of Truro; a son, Charles (Rhonda), Parrsboro; grandchildren, Natasha Neil, Delaney Neil; Katrina MacDonald (Paul Anderson); great grandchildren, Brianna, Brooklyn, Bryson and Hayden Anderson. She was predeceased by a sister, Joan (MacKenzie) Martin; brothers Gordon Barrett, George MacKenzie, Don MacKenzie; Billy MacKenzie; a son-in-law, Steven Neil. At this time of Covid-19, private family services are being held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Kidney Foundation of Canada. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

CORBETT, Allison E. - Age 86, of Five Islands passed away Sunday, April 26, 2020 at Vimy Court, Bible Hill. Born in Five Islands, he was a son of the late Frank and Ruby (Fader) Corbett. He was a retired forestry worker, painter, and retired after many years working with Stanfield's in Truro. Allison loved hunting and his passion was hockey, having played goalie until he was 77. He enjoyed his time spent at his camp in Gundalow, with long-time friend, Jack Campbell. He is survived by daughters, Linda Corbett (Jack D'Elia), Parrsboro; Margie Corbett (Scott McCallum), Truro; sons, Allison Corbett, Parrsboro; Jamie Corbett (Angela), Lower Five Islands; 11 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren. As well, his long-term companion, Phebe Smith. He was predeceased by his wife, Margaret; a son, Frank. With respect to the health safety of others surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, a celebration of Allison's life will be scheduled at a later date once health restrictions are lifted. Memorial donations may be made to Peniel United Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

McCLELLAN, Rachel Lauraine – 50, Truro, passed away on Tuesday, April 28, 2020, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Truro, she was a daughter of Richard McClellan, Bible Hill, and the late Avangelina (McLeary) McClellan. Rachel is also survived by her step-mother, Edna McClellan, Bible Hill; sisters, Rebecca McClellan, Truro; Sarah McLellan, Crowes Mills; brother, Ken McClellan, Kemptown; step-sister, Dorothy Roode, Crowes Mills; step-brothers, Rodney Roode, Onslow Mountain; Trevor Roode, Belmont; special friend, Jean Dunn, Truro; niece, Alexis Petrie; nephew, Chayse Petrie; many aunts, uncles and cousins. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, private interment will be held in Belmont Cemetery and a celebration of her life will be held at a later date. If so desired, donations in Rachel's memory to a charity of choice are welcomed. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

WEATHERBY, Jeanette Bernice – 90, Debert, passed away peacefully on Wednesday morning, April 29, 2020, at Lillian Fraser Memorial Hospital, Tatamagouche. Born in Folly Mountain, she was a daughter of the late Arthur and Sadie Murray. Jeanette is survived by her children, Florence Marple, Truro; Ethel Weatherby, Debert; Doris (Tommy) McMasters, Masstown; grandchildren, Belinda Otterson (Bill Jennings), Onslow; Michelle McMasters (Roger Roode), Highland Village; David McMasters (Brandi Taylor), Debert; Jennifer (Buddy) Shipley, Onslow Mountain; Crystal (Glen) Thompson, Truro; several great grandchildren. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, John Alexander Weatherby; several sisters and brothers. Private interment was held in Middle Road Cemetery, Debert. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

LAKE, Sharlene P. – Age 43, of Parrsboro – It is with great sadness we announce the sudden passing of Sharlene at home with her loving husband, Tim by her side. Born in Truro, she was a daughter of Darlene Laird, Tatamagouche and the late Gerald McNutt; and stepfather, the late Jack Laird. Sharlene moved to Parrsboro in October of 2000 after meeting Tim, to whom she married in 2003. Sharlene was an active community member and was a great supporter of community events. Sharlene was a member of the Parrsboro Lion's Club, and member of the Parrsboro Baptist Church. Besides her mother, she is survived by her husband, Tim; mother-in-law, Elaine Lake, Parrsboro; sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Girven (Tim), Pennsylvania; Shawna Cameron (Carl), Parrsboro; brothers-in-law, James Lake (Geraldine), River Hebert; Stanley Lake (Robin), Diligent River; numerous nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. She was predeceased by her father-in-law, James Lake; sister-in-law, Annie Hiltz; niece, Denver Hatfield; nephew, Jordan Lake. With respect to the health safety of others surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, a celebration of Sharlene's life will be scheduled at a later date, once health restrictions are lifted. Memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia or to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

MacGILLIVARY, S. Dwight – Age 71, of Advocate Harbour passed away Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at the Colchester-East Hants Health Centre, Truro with his wife Virginia, and special aunt, Rev. Phyllis Nesbitt by his side. Born in Advocate Harbour, he was the 4th born child of Stewart and Myrna (Rector) MacGillivary. Dwight graduated from Cumberland Regional Vocational School in Springhill with a welding certificate in 1967. He then went to work at the Halifax Shipyards but always longed for home to start his own business. He built his first log trailer in 1978 for his uncle LG MacGillivary & Son. In 1980, he constructed his welding shop and did portable welding throughout the region. He looked after repairs at the Scott Paper Saw Mill for many years, while still operating his own business. He bought his first grader in 1985 to work on Scott paper roads throughout the area. After the closing of the saw mill in the early 1990's, Dwight started to manufacture Mac Trailers full time (both tag-along and pony dumps), as well as manufactured Mighty Mac Wood Splitters for many years. More recently, he continued to operate the wood splitter and grader aspect of the company with his son, Scott. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Virginia (Rector) MacGillivary; daughter, Shelley MacGillivary and her children, Bailee-Lynn MacGillivary-Downs and Jesse William Downs; his son, D. Scott MacGillivary (Coralee), and their son, Devin; a brother, Carvel MacGillivary (Debbie); numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. As well, special family friends, Caroline Foote; Pat and Barry. He was predeceased by sisters, Camilla, Judy; a brother, Donald. With respect to the health safety of others surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, a celebration of Dwight's life will be scheduled at a later date once health restrictions are lifted. Memorial donations may be made to the Cumberland Branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON) or to the Allenville Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

JOKELA, Robert Calvin – 81, Londonderry, Colchester Co. On April 30, 2020, Robert Calvin Jokela died from cancer at his home in Londonderry, N.S. He was 81 years old. He was the son of Eino Jokela who came from Finland and Grace (Miller) from Lindsay Lake. Being the oldest of the family, he had three sisters: Olla, Kingston, Ontario; Barbara, Ohio and Wilma, Halifax. He had two nieces, Shelley and Heather. He was predeceased by a sister Eva, and brothers Bernard and Johnny. Robert was survived by his loving wife, Elizabeth Jean (Fulton) of 56 years, his sons and their wives, Stephen and Maureen from Saskatoon, Timothy and Coral from Calgary, Benjamin and Melanie from Moncton. There are four grandchildren, Kael from B.C., Ethan from Calgary, Kian and Elisa from Moncton. Special thanks to the Red Cross and the V.O.N. nurses. Their help was invaluable. Arrangements are under the direction of Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Online messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

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