

OBITUARIES

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DOWE, Kenneth M. 'Kenny' – also known as 'Do' or 'Bumpy' – Age 80, of Diligent River passed away peacefully on Monday, April 1, 2024 at the South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro with family by his side. Born in Ward's Brook on December 10, 1943, he was the son of the late Perry and Marie (Allen) Dowe. Kenny, known for being a 'jack of all trades' could always be found out in his shop, many times as early as 3 am, because if he was awake, to the shop he went. Kenny's love of working could never compare though to how much he loved his wife and three children; they were what kept him going. His heart grew even bigger back in 2000 when he became the proudest grandfather ever and took the name 'Bumpy', a role which brought him so much joy in spoiling his two treasured grandsons. Kenny spent many years working away through the week, painting highway lines with Maritime Pavement Markings, and later with Northside Pavement Markings. In 2004 he achieved what he had always wanted to do, and his dream became a reality, starting his own metal fabricating company, calling it CKD Fabricators Ltd. Kenny is survived by, and leaves behind his children who will miss him dearly, Corey 'Cork' Dowe, Diligent River, and Darcy 'Dolly' Sterling and her husband, Andrew, Diligent River; grandsons, Cole, Parrsboro and Cooper, Amherst; his grand doggies, Ryker, Kobe and Ozzy; his sisters, Althea Legere (Pat), Enfield; Faye George (Willie), Rockwood, ON; Helen 'Honey' George, Acton, ON; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife of 56 years, Carol (Colpitts) just a few months ago, in November 2023; his son Craig in 2004; his brothers, Sterling, Wilson 'Bill', Isaac 'Ikey', Perry, Allan; his sisters, Vivian, Marion, Ruby, Leona. In keeping with Kenny's wishes, no public funeral service will be held at this time. A private family memorial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Atlantic Chapter of Cystic Fibrosis Canada. Kenny's family would like to express their most sincere gratitude to the Victoria Order of Nurses (Cumberland), the nurses and staff of both Cumberland Regional and Parrsboro Health Centres for their compassion and support, and special thanks to Carla Blakeney, palliative care nurse, for her dedication, compassion and kindness in support of our father. Your acts of kindness will never be forgotten! Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, www.smithsfuneralhome.com

PETTIGREW, Lily E. – Age 84, of Parrsboro. It is with great sadness to announce the passing of Lily E. (Rogers) Pettigrew at the South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro on Friday, April 5, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. Born in Springhill, she was a daughter of the late Clayton and Hannah (Allen) Rogers. Lily was a lady with many talents who lived a full and wonderful life. Aside from being a loving wife and mother, she enjoyed so many things - cooking (especially baking her homemade bread), playing cards, gardening and travelling the world with Harold. Lily was also well known for her beautiful creations as a local florist in Parrsboro for many years. She was predeceased by her infant daughter, Wanda Lynn Pettigrew in 1960; her brother, Gareth Rogers. She is survived by the love of her life, Harold W. Pettigrew; their three children, Cindy Roberts (John), Parrsboro; Angela Muir (Bill), Panama; Susan Stewart, Kelowna, BC; sisters, Starr Blue (Duncan), Springhill; Valerie Oepferkuch (John), Ontario; Ramona Oakley, Ontario; 9 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation was held from 12-2pm on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, where funeral service will follow at 2 pm, Eric Perreault of Church of Jesus Christ and Latter Day Saints officiating. Burial to follow in the West Brook Cemetery. Memorial donations in Lily's memory may be made to the West Brook Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, www.smithsfuneralhome.com

SMITH, Katherine Dawn - 28. It is with profound sadness that the family of Katherine Dawn Smith, 28, affectionately known as Kat, announce her passing on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. After leaving the Military in 2022, Katherine returned to Nova Scotia. She was in the process of establishing a second career in Federal Corrections and during this time of transition she found purpose in waitressing, landscaping and most recently at Kohltech Windows. Those left to cherish her memory include her father, Kevin Smith (Anik Lapointe), Habitant; mother, Dianne Tough (William Hoskins), Bridgewater; brother, Cameron Smith (Camille Morin), Gatineau, Quebec; step-brother, William Hoskins (Carina Legnaro), Gagetown, New Brunswick and step-sister, Laura Hoskins, Halifax; grandparents, Shirley Smith, Canning, Michael and Irene Tough, Burlington; aunts, Heather Smith (Darren Anderson), Waterville, Angela Tough-Kenneally (Dana), Burlington, and Pheobe White, Port Bradford, Newfoundland; uncle, Michael Tough (Colleen), Kingston. Katherine also leaves behind many cousins, extended family, friends and her beloved dogs, Xena (her person) and Luda. She was predeceased by her grandfather, Arthur Smith; great grandparents, Ruth Smith, Victor Kinsman, Guida and William Joseph Tough; uncle, Garfield White and beloved great aunt, Mary. There will not be a funeral but there will be a Celebration of Life in pure Kat style at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Wounded Warriors Canada or your local SPCA in Katherine's memory as these were organizations near and dear to her heart. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall-Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Tributes, words of comfort and memories may be shared at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

ROOSE, Kayla Joleen – Today as a family, we have the heartbreaking task of informing all of our loved ones and friends that Kayla Joleen Roode, found peace on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. Kayla was born in Truro to adoring parents, Wade Roode and Lisa Roode (Cameron) who has sadly passed on. Once again Kayla is cuddled up safe in her mother's arms. She now sits amongst her loved ones who have gone before her; Kayla's beautiful sister, Kristen Beaton (Roode); Kayla gets to hold Baby Beaton who we've never met yet; Nana, Joan Cameron (Higgins); Grampie, Randall Cameron and Grampie, Eugene Roode; cousin, Deke Cameron; uncle, Shawn Roode. Kayla's favourite guy in her life is her beloved dad, Wade Roode, North River, her favourite brother, Richard Roode and her sister-in-law, Shannan Roode of Belmont; brother-in-law, Nick Beaton, Belmont. Kayla's most happy place on earth was when she was with her three adorable nephews. They brought so much joy to her; Daxton Beaton, Cameron Roode and Jaxson Roode. Kayla also left behind her great grandmother, Margaret Roode (MacQuarrie); grandmother, Bonnie Roode (Lynds) and grandmother, Sybil Cameron; and her partner, Kat Smith. Kayla worked at Kohler Windows in Debert. Honouring Kayla's wishes, there will be no funeral. If so desired, donations to Hearts Haven Park in Debert are welcomed. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall-Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Tributes, words of comfort and memories may be shared at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

ERB, Jarrett N. – Age 37, of Lower Sackville. With heavy hearts, we bid farewell to our beloved Jarrett, who passed away surrounded by his loving family on Thursday, April 18, 2024. He leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and light that will forever shine in our hearts. Jarrett had a remarkable sense of humor that lit up every room he entered. His witty jokes and contagious laughter brought smiles to all that knew him. He had a unique ability to find the silver lining in every situation, spreading positivity wherever he went. From a young age, Jarrett, displayed a talent and passion for sports. Jarrett graduated from Memorial University with his B.A. and B.Ed. degrees. Shortly after graduation, he embarked on a journey to South Korea to teach English. Upon returning home, he taught in various schools throughout HRM. To his family, Jarrett was not just a brother, he was a best friend and a source of endless love and support. His brother, sister-in-law and niece held a special place in his heart, sharing countless unforgettable moments filled with laughter and love. Uncle Jarrett was a big part of our lives, and we will miss him forever. Jarrett is survived by his mother, Beverly (Neil Ripley); his father, Neil (Maxine O'Brien); a brother, Shane (Stephanie); niece, Amelia; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family, and so many friends. A 'Celebration of Life' for Jarrett was held May 10, 2024 from 4pm to 7pm at the Sackawa Canoe Club (159 First Lake Drive, Lower Sackville). Memorial donations may be made to Jumpstart, an organization committed to inclusive sports for kids of all abilities. We know that Jarrett would be most proud to support such a cause in his memory. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, www.smithsfuneralhome.com

LANGILLE, John S. – Age 71, of Station Road, Southampton passed away suddenly on Monday, April 22, 2024 in Mapleton as the result of an automobile accident. Born in Pictou, he was a son of the late Edward and Lois (Thompson) Langille. John was a retired truck driver for Midland and Day & Ross for many years. John was very active in his community, volunteering with the Parrsboro Lions Club, Cumberland County Hospice Palliative Care Society, Southampton Fire Department, and even had taken the Draegermen training for mine rescue in his younger years. He is survived by his son, Adam (Janice Welsh), Southampton; a sister, Sandra McGee, Merigomish; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Frances; brothers, Ronald, Leonard. In keeping with John's wishes, no funeral or memorial service will be held at this time. Memorial donations in his memory may be made to the Parrsboro Lions Club or the Cumberland County Hospice Palliative Care Society. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, www.smithsfuneralhome.com

GIBBONS, Christopher D. 'Chicken' – Age 62, of Parrsboro passed away suddenly on Saturday, April 27, 2024 in Parrsboro. Born in Springhill, he was a son of the late Wilfred Paris and Betty Keddy. Chris enjoyed many sports, particularly hockey and baseball. He was an avid Boston Bruins and Boston Red Sox fan. Chris will be forever missed as a fixture in Parrsboro, and his slow drives up and down Main Street with the tunes blasting either Billie Jean (Michael Jackson), You Shook Me All Night Long (AC/DC) or Eminem. He is survived by three sisters, Cindy Bourgeois (David Henry), Springhill; Charlene Rogers, Springhill; Jeannie McCully (Buddy Cormier), Amherst; brothers, Dwight Keddy, Aylesford; Peter Doane (Amy), Bridgewater; special cousin, Shirley Hurley, Lower Five Islands; numerous nieces, nephew and cousins. Chris was a friend to so many over the years, more recently was a great friend of Brandon Davis, Five Islands. He was predeceased by brothers, Timothy Gibbons; Dale Malliet. A 'Celebration of Life' for Chris will be held May 4, 2024 at the Parrsboro Fire Hall. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, www.smithsfuneralhome.com

ARCHIBALD, Josephine "Josie", Truro, passed away unexpectedly at home on April 27, 2024. Born in High Tor, Saskatchewan, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Caroline (Hyrchuk) Sloboda. She was the last remaining member of her immediate family. Josie and her husband, Owen loved to travel. They crossed Canada numerous times in their younger years finally returning and settling in Nova Scotia in 1996. Josie worked at a variety of jobs including selling Mary Kay, Avon and Laura Secord as well as being an accountant for Owen's trucking business for over twenty years. She had a strong faith and belief in God. Some of her favourite pastimes included walking around the Kiwanis Pond, going for coffee or tea at the mall and chatting with friends. She also enjoyed strong tea, wonderful conversations and cooking earning her the nickname of the "Queen of the Perogies." Josie is survived by her sons, Dale, Prince George, BC and Darren (June Anne), Red Deer, AB. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband of 43 years, Owen; daughter-in-law, Bernadette as well as her siblings. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Colchester Food Bank or the Salvation Army Food Bank. A funeral service was held on Friday, May 3rd in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Pastor David MacLean officiating. Reception to follow the service. Burial was in Kempton United Church Cemetery following the service and reception.

SMITH, Murray Wayne – Age 74, Truro. The family of Murray Wayne Smith are saddened to announce his passing on Sunday, April 28, 2024, with loved ones by his side in New Glasgow to the late Clarence and Isabelle (MacKenzie) Smith. Murray is survived by his wife, Karen (Connors); stepdaughter, Amanda Nowell; stepson, Chris Kennedy (Amanda); step grandchildren, Lily and James Kennedy whom he adored; brother, Allan and sister, Elaine (Rick) Gautreau. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by brothers, Jamie and David; sister, Carol MacCallum and brother-in-law, Alden MacCallum. Murray worked at Burchell MacDougall for over 25 years during which time he started his own bailiff company, Murray W. Smith Bailiff Services Limited. He retired in 2014 at which time he gave responsibility of his company to his stepdaughter, Amanda. His passion was harness racing and he co-owned several winning horses. A special thanks to the CEHHC Hemodialysis Unit that administered Murray's kidney dialysis over the past three years. In lieu of flowers, donations in Murray's memory may be made to the Kidney Foundation of Canada – Nova Scotia. A visitation was held on Sunday, May 5th from 1pm until time of service at 2pm, both in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Eileen Corah officiating. Online condolences at www.ColchesterCommunity.com.

QUINN, (Breanna) Fowler - It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of our sweet Quinn (Breanna) Fowler. Quinn passed away on April 28, 2024, after yet another battle with pediatric cancer. Quinn was born on November 3, 2006, to parents, Shawn Fowler and Sarah Frizzell of Truro. Though Quinn faced many challenges in her seventeen years, she faced them with resilience and fortitude that inspired all who knew her or heard their story. Quinn had a village of love that surrounded them that included their parents, brother, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, teachers, and their medical team. Quinn will be remembered for their uniqueness, creativity and passion for kindness and acceptance for all. Quinn loved sitting with their dog, and birds while drawing, spending time with their brother, Brayden and Dad, talking with their best friend, Auntie Charlie, and having tea with their Grandma and Mom. Home was Quinn's happy place and where they will be brought to rest. The family wishes to thank everyone for all the love and support over the years. It has meant the world to them. Quinn always had a special connection with animals, so in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in their honour to an SPCA near you. A funeral service was held for Quinn on May 10th at 1pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. The family held an open reception following the service from 2-3pm.

HINGLEY JR., Henry A. – Age 71, of Fox River passed away suddenly on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at home, with his wife of 46 years, Georgia by his side. Born and raised in East River St. Mary's, he was a son of Janet (Russell) Hingley, Thorburn and the late Henry A. Hingley, Sr. During Henry's younger days, he worked for Home Hardware in Debert for 10 years as a forklift operator. He later worked for the Crossroads Co-op in Parrsboro as the bookkeeper for many years retiring in 2003. Henry was a devoted husband, father and 'Papa' to his grandchildren. He enjoyed nightly FaceTime calls, visiting with his family, enjoyed fishing with his special friend, Dick Stronge, and time at the camp spent with special friend, Hollie Benjamin. Besides his mother, Henry is survived by his wife, Georgia (Winter) Hingley; a daughter, Shannon Morris (Glen), Brampton, Ont.; sons, Jason (Ashley), Shearwater; Adam (Maddie), New Glasgow; sisters, Susan MacGillivray (Billy), Thorburn; Bonnie Mullin (Todd), Thorburn; his grandchildren, Claire, Max, Jack, Ryleigh, Ryerson, Ryken, Emilia, Piper, Easton. He was predeceased by brothers, Angus and twin brothers, David and Douglas; a sister, Sarah. A time of visitation was held from 1-3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. All are welcome! A 'Celebration of Life' will be announced for a later date (Summer '24); details to be announced. Memorial donations in Henry's memory may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, www.smithsfuneralhome.com

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