

OBITUARIES

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GRAHAM, Ralph Douglas – 79, Upper Stewiacke, passed away peacefully on Monday evening, March 20, 2017, at Maritime Oddfellows Home, Pictou. Born in Upper Stewiacke, he was a son of the late Ralph and Margaret (Faulkner) Graham. Ralph is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Phyllis Beatrice (McNutt), Brookfield, formerly of Upper Stewiacke; daughters, Karen Graham, Nancy Graham, Truro; Shelley Graham, Brookfield; Angela Graham (Simon Wood), Debert; grandchildren, Rebecca Wood, Lauren Wood, Jarret Retfalvi; sister, Betty Rogers, Upper Stewiacke; brothers, John "Jack" (Peggy) Graham, Calgary, Alberta; Raymond (Lois) Graham, Kamloops, British Columbia; several nieces and nephews. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Catherine in infancy; brother-in-law, Bernard Rogers. Special thanks are extended to all the staff at Maritime Oddfellows Home for their compassionate care and support. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Saturday, March 25, 2017. Spring interment in Riverside Cemetery, Upper Stewiacke. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

LITTLE, Bernard William - Truro, peacefully and surrounded by his family, passed away at the age of 81 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Bernie was born in Halifax to William Patrick and Ellen Theresa (Poteri) Little. His sister Barbara Marie predeceased him in childhood. Bernie was a devoted and caring husband to Dolores Mary (Eisan) Little for almost 59 years and a loving father to Susan (Edward Javinsky), Kevin (Cheryl Ellis), and Michael (Gia Klironomos). We were so blessed to have him as our dad. He adored his grandchildren Matthew Little, Tori-Rose Javinsky, Benjamin Javinsky, Nicholas Little, Alexander Little, and Lillian Little. He was delighted to be a foster grandfather to Renae Watters, and to be a great-grandfather to Julia Irene Cloney. He and Dolores ran the B&D Little convenience store in Debert for many years. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. The date and time of the funeral service will be announced at a later date. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

WEBB, Jeanetta Emeline (VanBuskirk) - 89, Truro, surrounded by her family, went to be with the Lord (who she loved and served) on Friday, March 24, 2017 in Wynn Park Villa, Truro. Mom was born in Pugwash Junction and was a daughter of the late Harry and Margaret (Bears) VanBuskirk. Mom is survived by sons, Jim (Rita), Bible Hill; Larry (Barb), Onslow Mountain; Rev. Carman (Linda), Upper Cape, NB; daughters, Kathy Blakely (Rev. David), Ottawa, ON; Lynn Parsons (Kevin), Bible Hill; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; sister, Ruby McLean, Truro. She was predeceased by her loving husband, Garnet Dawson Webb in 2014; brothers, Harris, Tom, Rod, Jamie VanBuskirk. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Thursday, March 30, 2017, Reverend Scott Penner officiated. Spring interment in Bible Hill Cemetery, Bible Hill. Full obituary and condolences" at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

BOYD, Daniel Aubrey "Danny" - 59, of Truro, passed away peacefully, Sunday, March 26, 2017, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre Truro. Born in Truro, he was a son of Sylvia (Colpitts) Boyd, Glenholme, and the late Wayne Boyd. Along with his mother, he is survived by his wife, the former Darlene (Kent) Boyd; daughter, Katie Boyd (Matt Upham), North River; sons, John (Alycia) Boyd, Riversdale, Chris (Lisa) Boyd, Onslow Mountain; sisters, Lisa, Melanie, Carrie; brothers, David, Steven, Stacey, Nicky; 10 grandchildren. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where a celebration of Danny's life was held Sunday, April 2, 2017. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

LAKE, Anthony E. 'Tony' – Age 78, of Parrsboro and formerly of Fox River passed away on Sunday, March 26, 2017 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Fox River, he was a son of the late Herbert and Laura (Dowe) Lake. He is survived by his wife, the former Helena Cormier; a daughter, Laura Jury (Doug), Moncton; a son, Thomas (Susan Proctor), Amherst; grandchildren, Calvin Tower (Rachel), Ohio; Katrina Gilroy (Bruce), Amherst; a great-granddaughter, Nicole; sisters, Madeline Varner, Annabelle Hamilton, Valerie Smith (Frank), all of Diligent River; Dorothy Ross (Maxwell), Fraserville; Betty Anne DeWitt (Allen), Parrsboro; brothers, Philip (Ruby), Springhill; Alan (Donna), New Canaan; sister-in-law, Cindy Lake, Port Greville; numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Lois in infancy; a brother, Walter. Funeral service was held March 29, 2017 in Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Pastor Douglas Lake officiating. Memorial donations may be made to the L.A. Animal Shelter. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

SABEAN, Wendall Malcolm - Age 72, of Five Islands, Colchester County, passed away on March 29, 2017 at the QE II Health Sciences Centre, Halifax. Born in Weymouth, Digby County on December 20, 1944, he was a son of Donald Murray and Marion Louise (Cosman) Sabean. He grew up in South Range, attending schools at South Range, North Range and graduating from Digby Regional High School in 1962. He worked for Maritime Tel. and Tel. Co. Ltd. for over 31 years, retiring as Regional Manager Residence Services in New Glasgow in 1994. He spent his retirement years in Five Islands. He enjoyed camping, Bluegrass Festivals, snowmobiling, golf and, especially, his winters in Zephyrhills, Florida. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Marilyn (Langille); sons, Donald (Ellen), Douglas (Sandra), both of Dartmouth; daughter, Tracy (Craig Wright) of Lake Echo; granddaughters, Katie (Adrian), Jessica, Meagan, Ainslie, Emily; twin grandsons, Sean and Adam; brothers, Chester (Ellen), Dale (Louise), Glen (Florence); sister, Pam; sisters-in-law, Jean, Audrey, Sharon, Donna; brothers-in-law, Jack, Les, Ross; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents; step-father Maurice Sabine; father and mother-in-law, Lawrence and Virginia Langille; brother-in-law, Harvey. There will be no visitation. A memorial service was held April 2, 2017 at Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro with Rev. Glenn MacLean officiating. Private family burial to be held in Five Islands. A special thank you to Dr. Karen Ewing and the physicians and nursing staff of the sixth floor, Centennial building of the QE II Health Sciences Centre. Donations may be made to the Peniel United Cemetery, Five Islands or to a charity of your choice. Online condolences at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

LUPPICINI, Peggy Lee M. – Age 76, of Dieppe passed away Thursday, March 30, 2017 at the Dr. Georges L. Dumont Hospital in Moncton. Born in Apple River, she was a daughter of the late Laurence and Edith (Crossman) Boyde. She is survived by a daughter, Audra Pitre (Daniel), Fredericton; sons, Rocci (Ginger), Ottawa; Joel (Michelle), Montreal; sisters, Ruth Ann McCully (Gary), Port Greville; Mary Lou Spicer, Port Greville; brothers, Sidney (Pam), Port Greville; Phillip (Lynn), Saint John; 7 grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her former husband, Wayne Luppicini; a nephew, Laurence. Funeral service was held at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro on April 8, 2017, Rev. Lloyd Bruce officiating. Burial in the Fraserville Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Dr. Georges-L.-Dumont Foundation. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

CHASE, Phyllis Elisman - 84, Truro, and formerly of Great Village, passed away peacefully, Friday, March 31, 2017, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Ingersoll, Ontario, she was a daughter of the late Edwin and Rose (Minard) Johnson. Phyllis formerly belonged to Great Village Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. For many years Phyllis along with her late husband Harry, owned and operated Suckling & Chase Florist Limited Truro. She is survived by daughter, Deanna Brush, Halifax; sons, Edwin Brush, Springhaven; Darren Brush, Truro; Patrick (Uta) Brush, Berwick; step-daughter, Janice Pearson, Truro; step-son, Sandy Chase (Gwen), Miramichi, New Brunswick; grandchildren, Eric, Keith, Zackery, Caelyne, Francis, Hannah, Seamus, Lucas, Shawn, Kristen, Lee; great-granddaughter, Sophia. She was predeceased by her first husband, Hubert Henry Brush; second husband, Harry Alfred Chase; sisters, Pauline, Marie, Margaret; brothers, Ralph, Pat. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Saturday, April 8, 2017, Father Dariusz Miskowicz officiated. Spring interment in Terrace Hill Cemetery, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

DYAS, Joyce M. – Age 91, of Truro and formerly of Parrsboro passed away Monday, April 3, 2017 at the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Toronto, she was a daughter of the late Duncan and Jean (MacLaren) MacGillivray. She is survived by daughters, Barbara Pollotta, Rochester, N.Y.; Susan Dyas (David Doane), Keswick, Ont.; a son, Kenneth (Dawn Wall), Truro; five grandchildren, John Pollotta, Marc Pollotta, Tammy Holwell, Keri Ziegler, Trent Dyas; 15 great grandchildren; a great-great grandson. She was predeceased by her husband, Charles; a daughter, Nancy; a son, John. Funeral service was held Friday, April 7, 2017 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro, Rev. Lloyd Bruce officiating. Burial in the Parrsboro United Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to charity of choice. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

COLPITTS, Marie E. – Age 84, of Diligent River passed away on Monday, April 3, 2017 at Vimy Court, Bible Hill. Born in Diligent River, she was a daughter of the late Alexander "Papa" and Mae (Porter) Salter. She is survived by daughters, Jill Rafuse (Norman), Parrsboro; Janice Colpitts, Diligent River; sons, Brad (Debbie), Peterborough, Ont.; Dwight (Sherry), Ward's Brook; Jeff (Wilma), Fox River; Gordon (Lynn), Truro; 16 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; sisters, Gloria Himmelman, Thelma Venus (Bob), Flora Whebby (Jack), all of Dartmouth; a brother, Curtis, Ottawa; numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Arthur in 1992; sisters, Dorothy and Augusta; brothers, Robert, Gordon, Raymond, Ralph. Funeral service was held Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Fox River, the Rev. Dr. Brian Spence officiating. Burial in the Diligent River Anglican Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Nova Scotia. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

RUSHTON, Erma Florence - 94, of Lower Truro Road, Truro, passed away peacefully to be with her Lord, Friday, April 7, 2017, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Pugwash, she was the daughter of the late Arthur and Florence (Black) Murray. She is survived by daughters, Martena (Wendell) Hendsbee, Truro; Gwen Rushton, Truro; son, Brian (Kathryn), North Vancouver; brother, Douglas (Mary Lou) Murray, Kingston; grandchildren, Amy (Chris) Dail, Craig (Allison Bannard), Gerred, Adam; great-grandchildren, Peter, Jasper, Ruby and Ivy Dail; Sophia Rushton; several nieces and nephews; step Mother Mary Jenkins, Sisters in Law Myrna Murray, Patricia Croucher. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 67 years Carl, sisters Gladys, Hazel; brothers Vaughn, Angus. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where Erma's family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, May 16, 2017, and funeral service 2 p.m., Wednesday, May 17, 2017, Pastor Ken Fillmore officiating, assisted by Pastor Steve Adams and Pastor Doug Campbell. Reception will follow. Interment in Eagle Hill Cemetery, Westchester Station. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

ROBINSON-LEVERING, Shirley Anne Kathleen 49, Truro Heights, died suddenly, April 9, 2017 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Halifax, she was the daughter of the late William and Pearl Robinson. Shirley leaves behind her loving husband, John; sons, Durell, Shawn, Noah; brothers, Michael Robinson (Tammy), Truro, Alton Robinson (Judy), Amherst, Charles Robinson, New Glasgow, sister, Peggy Robinson, Truro; several brother and sister in laws and nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, Shirley was predeceased by daughter, Tamara Leigh Robinson. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro from where the Memorial Service was held April 15, Pastor Brian O. Johnston officiated. Interment will be held in Robie Street Cemetery at a later date. If so desired, donations in Shirley's memory may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Children's Wish Foundation, online condolences may be made at: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

EAGLES, Morris Dwight - 66, Great Village, passed away peacefully, Sunday, April 9, 2017, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro, surrounded by his family. Born in Truro, he was a son of the late Walter and Eva (Rushton) Eagles. Known to most as Moke, he loved music, his guitars and his family. He is survived by sisters, Rose Richards and Donna Joseph; children, Calvin, Timmy, Danny, Natasha, Coressa; step-children, Weldon, Shelly, Marlene, Sherry; several grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his biological parents, Stewart and Thelma (Rushton) Eagles; brothers, Timmy, Myles; sister, Elda. A Celebration of Life for Morris will take place at a later date in Londonderry Community Hall, Londonderry. Interment at a later date in Hillcrest Cemetery, Londonderry. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

ADAMS, Anthony Mark - It is with broken hearts that we announce the passing of Anthony Mark Adams, 48 of Debert in the morning hours of Monday, April 10, 2017. Anthony was born in Truro on March 15, 1969. He had a passion for hunting as well as fishing. Anthony worked for many years as an industrial roofer being a member of Union Local 409. We wish to thank family, friends and the community for all of their help, love, prayers and support during Anthony's battle with cancer. He is survived by his mother, Anna; daughter, Darian MacBurnie (Cody Nelson); son, Cody

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