

OBITUARIES

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RECTOR, Elston C. April 23, 1941-September 20, 2012. Born in Bass River, NS to Audrey (Newton) and H. Borden Rector. Elston, affectionately known as El or Al, died peacefully at George Dumont Hospital, Moncton, NB, after a courageous 16-month battle with colon cancer. Left with broken hearts are his wife, Sharon MacDonald Rector, Oxford NS; daughters, Kelly Rector, Woodstock ON; Kimberly (Rick) Koch, St Thomas ON; stepsons, Corey Hansen, Oxford NS; Karl (Andrea) Hansen, Milton ON; mother, Audrey Rector Akerman, Cedarstone Enhanced Care, Truro, NS; sister, Colleen Rector, Dartmouth NS, and grandchildren Joshua Rector, Jessica Koch, Timothy Koch, and Thomas Chambers. He is also survived by several step-brothers and sisters in Ontario. He was predeceased by his brother Vaughn in 1965 and his father, Bordie, in 1977, and his step-father, Harland Akerman in 2012. Elston fulfilled his childhood dream of being a Truck Owner - Operator, and was employed by Midland Transport for 36 years. One of his proudest employment achievements was receiving a four million mile accident free award from the Company, and was rewarded with an Alaskan Cruise for Sharon and himself. Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of his life was held September 29, 2012 at Christ Church, Anglican, 5 Lawrence St, in downtown Amherst NS followed by a reception and shared memories in the Church hall. Interment followed at Riverside United Church cemetery in Bass River, NS.

MCCULLY, Ada J. - 72, of Diligent River passed away September 23, 2012 at Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Yorke Settlement, she was a daughter of the late Ervin and Lillian (Bowden) Yorke. Ada with her husband Floyd, operated the Southampton Irving Gas Station and Convenience Store for 10 years. She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Floyd; daughters, Denise Brown (Rod), Southampton; Lori LeBlanc (Mike), Amherst; grandchildren, Terri, Leanne, Danielle, Jenna, Shelley and Mark; great grandchildren, Brooklyn, Keegan, Hayden, Avery, MacKenzie and Morgan; a sister, Euda Benjamin (Kenneth), Shad Bay; brothers, William Yorke (Eva), Diligent River; Chester (Connie), New Prospect; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a son, Danny; brothers, Layton, Malcolm and Joseph. Funeral service was held September 26, 2012 with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the Diligent River Baptist Cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

PETTIGREW, Ronald A. - 80, of Fox River passed away Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at All Saints Hospital, Springhill. Born in Springhill, he was a son of the late Joseph and Vera (Mackey) Pettigrew. Ronald is survived by a daughter, Terry Oliveira (Andy), Brampton, Ont.; sons, Perry Pettigrew, Petawawa, Ont.; Joseph Pettigrew (Margaret), Hamilton, Ont.; grandchildren, Carrie-Anne, Cailey, Curtis, Jessica, Megan, Garrett, Paige, Marina and Dante; great grandchildren, Alyssa, Sonny, Robbie, Quinton and Austin. He was predeceased by a son, Robert; a sister, Evelyn Epps. A private family service will be held at a later date. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

CANNING, Leonard C. - 84, of Parrsboro and formerly of Fox River passed away September 30, 2012 at the South Cumberland Community Care Centre, Parrsboro. Born in Fox River, he was a son of the late John and Mary (Bowden) Canning. He is survived by daughters, Barbara Field (James), Great Village; Helen Field (Marshall), Advocate Harbour; Bernice Slocum (Ron), Glenholme; Mary Morris (David), Ward's Brook; a son, Brian (Marjorie), Diligent River; 16 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, the former Muriel M. Allen; sisters, Daisy, Ruby; brothers, Leslie, George. Funeral service was held October 3, 2012 with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Private family committal at a later date. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

GIDDENS, Henrietta "Faye" - 82, Lower Onslow, passed away peacefully on October 6, 2012 at the Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. She leaves behind her only child, Dwight Giddens and his wife, Carolyn Boyd, as well as beloved nieces and nephews. Faye was predeceased by her husband, Merle, brothers, Keith Hamilton and Fern Hamilton and her loving companion Russ Anthony. As per Faye's wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral service. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the Lower Onslow Clarke Cemetery or the Onslow Belmont Fire Brigade. Online condolences may be expressed at: www.colchestercommunity.com

MacKINNON, Frances Louella "Fran" - 93, Belmont, passed away peacefully, Saturday, October 6, 2012, at Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born September 5, 1919, in Crowes Mills, she was a daughter of the late Suther and Lila (Crowe) Roode. Fran was the last surviving member of her immediate family and is survived by her sons, William "Pink" (Val) MacKinnon, Donald (Marlene) MacKinnon, Belmont; grandchildren, Lisa (Kevin) MacNutt, Jeff (Theresa) MacKinnon, Truro; great grandchildren, Cole MacNutt, Ally MacNutt, Annalise MacNutt, Jillian MacKinnon, Emily MacKinnon, Delia MacKinnon, Natalie MacKinnon, Jack MacKinnon; foster sister, Diane Cormier, Debert; numerous nieces and nephews. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Allen Joseph MacKinnon; siblings, Gardner, Earl, Lawrence, Don, Gerald, Laurie, Helen, Rita, Dora, Maime, Ida in infancy. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Monday, October 8, 2012, Reverend Gerry Kerr officiated. Interment was in Belmont Cemetery. Full obituary at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

FLETCHER, Marion "Peg" Agnes (Fulton), 97, Bass River, passed away October 8th, in the Mira Long Term Care, Truro. Born in Bass River she was the daughter of the late Scott and Caroline (Knight) Fulton. Peg was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great, great grandmother. She is survived by daughters, Joanne (Mike Lamb) Boyd, B.C., Karen (Sherwood) Crawford, NB, Marion (John) Graham, BC, Beverly (Ron) Phinney, Five Islands; son, Charles (Donna Bagnell), Bass River; ten grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; three great great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Ronald; son, Robert; sisters, Eva, Leta, Dorothy in infancy; brothers, Stanley, Harry, Dawson, Kenneth, George, Harlan, Don. Funeral service was held October 10th in the Bass River Baptist Church. Arrangements entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. On-line condolences and donations may be made at: www.colchestercommunity.com

WISSINK, Buelah K. - 87, of Parrsboro passed away Monday, October 8, 2012 at the Chignecto Manor, Advocate Harbour. Born in Parrsboro, she was a daughter of the late Raeburn and Eva (Smith) Rector. She was a retired cook having worked more than 23 years at the Parrsboro Hospital. She is survived by daughters, Judy Strong (Vince MacDonald), Halifax; Debbie Veinott, Truro; Peggy Hill (Cecil), Advocate Harbour; a brother, Basil Rector (Bertha), Parrsboro; 5 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, John in 1994; a sister, Audrey Hughes; a brother, Lowell Rector. A private family graveside service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

DAVIS, Elsie L. - 93, of Lower Five Islands passed away Thursday, October 11, 2012 at Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born in Lower Five Islands, she was a daughter of the late James and Ruth (Wood) Eagles. Elsie was a lifelong resident of Lower Five Islands. She was a member and trustee of the Lower Five Islands United Church, where for many years she served as a teacher and secretary for the Sunday School. She was also a member of I.O.G.T. and Eastern Star Lodge for many years. She is survived by sons, Glendon (Nancy), Lower Five Islands; Mark (Judy), Amherst; Lou (Margaret), Truro; Harold (Donna), London, Ont.; 16 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; 1 great-great grandson; numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Roland V. Davis; sons, Berton and Perry; sisters, Blanche, Floretta, Inez, Hazel, Anne, Edith, Freeda, Edna, Evelyn; brothers, Hilbert, Harold, Clarence. Funeral service was held October 14, 2012 at Peniel United Church, Five Islands, Rev. Florence Antle-Brison officiating. Burial in the Lower Five Islands Cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

LING, Margaret E. - 93, of Parrsboro passed away suddenly on Friday, October 12, 2012 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Melville, PEI, she was a daughter of the late Hector D. and Laura B. (MacWilliams) Gillis. Margaret was very involved in community service and was an active member of Trinity United Church since she moved to Parrsboro in 1968. Her involvement with volunteer organizations included serving as President of the Parrsboro Lioness Club and 25 years as President of the Ladies Hospital Auxiliary, President of Unit II UCW Group and past member of the Board of Directors of the Cumberland Arthritis Society. She received numerous awards for her service including the Governor General's Award, Provincial Volunteer of the Year Award and the Queen's Golden Jubilee Award, among many others. Margaret is survived by her loving husband of 65 years, Elmer; daughters, Nancy Nymark (Gary), Parrsboro; Norma Alberg (Michael), Winnipeg; daughter-in-law, Pam (Moreside) Ling, Charlottetown, PEI; sister-in-law, Alice (Ross) Gillis, Maine; 7 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her beloved son, Dr. Barry Ling in 2008; a sister, Flora Morrison; a brother, Preston. Funeral service was held October 18, 2012 at Trinity United Church, Parrsboro, Keith Selwyn-Smith, DLM officiating. Burial in the Parrsboro United Cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

FAULKNER, Harriet Anne (Archibald) - Truro, passed away on October 12, 2012. Born in Beaver Brook, NS, on October 21, 1931, she was the daughter of the late Charles William Archibald and Mary (Liney) (Clarke) Archibald. She is survived by husband, Gordon Faulkner; children Ruth, Chris (Terry), Paul (Lynn), Cathy (Joe Pinto), Alan (Saida), Jane (Joel) Henderson, Sandy, Irene (Paul) VanZeumeran; sisters, Rhoda and Myrtle Rushton; brother, Leslie Lloyd, grandchildren, Jason, Janet, Colin, Joel, Laura, Erin, George, Michael, Brett, Craig, Ian, Ross, James, Steven, Daniel, Amira, Nicholas, Hannah, Eric, step-grandchildren, Jennifer and Jonathan; great-grandchildren, William and Jillian, Jack, Matthew and Brianna, Max, and Austin. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday, October 16, 2012, in the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church, 669 Prince Street, Truro, Father Dariusz Miskowicz officiated. Full obituary at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

SITSER, Jan (John) Adrianus - 70 - Debert went to be with his Lord on Sunday, October 14, 2012 in the Moncton Hospital, NB surrounded by his family and friends. He will be dearly missed and is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Erma Melanson-Sitser; his children and grandchildren, Bill Sitser, Ont. and Ranine, Anya, John and their mother, Jeannine O'Leary; James and Lisa (vanderHeide) Sitser, Alton, and Thomas and Emily; Patrik and Anna-Marie (Sitser) Ebener, Switzerland and Deana and Claudy; brothers and sisters, Henk and Gerda (Sitser) Velthuis, the Netherlands and family; Henk and Alice (Sitser) Snoeijer, the Netherlands and family; Bill Sitser and Kathy Halvorsen, British Columbia and family; Henk Sitser and Margreet Molenijzer, the Netherlands and family; Evelyn (Melanson) Gaudet, Digby and family Eric and Millicent Melanson, Granville Ferry and family; his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews of the Eisses family. Also his son at heart, Alexander Klink of Germany and family. He was predeceased by his sister-in-law, Ellen Melanson. John was born in Zupten, the Netherlands and immigrated to Canada in 1959 with his twin brother, Bill. He began his life in Canada as a farmer and worked in agriculture for a number of years. In 1972, he began working for Kent Homes for whom he erected houses and landscaped all over the Maritimes. In 1985 he began working for Colchester County as a By-law officer. John had a great love for animals and continued his work until his retirement in 2006. We wish to give special thanks to all the nurses and doctors in the CCU of the Moncton City Hospital and to Guy and Lynn. Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 18 from 7-9 pm; funeral service on Friday, October 19 at 2 pm, both in Debert Baptist Church, 1273 Plains Road, Debert Pastor Bill Martin officiating. Interment in Middle Road Cemetery, Debert. Donations may be made to the Lung Association of Nova Scotia or a charity of choice. On-line condolences and donations may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

COOKE, Muriel Blanche - 92, Highland Village passed away October 16, 2012 in Debert Court, Debert. Born at Spencer's Point, September 1, 1920, she was a daughter of the late Warren Melville and Agnes Maude (Chisholm) Spencer. She was a resident of Highland Village for 85 years, where she was a very competent farmwife. She spent the last 6 1/2 years of her life at West Side Villa, Truro, Glen Haven Manor, New Glasgow and Debert Court, Debert. She is survived by sons, George Melville (Martena), Debert, Lester Russel (Louise), Portauptique, Douglas Raymond (Shirley), Terry Leigh (Patricia), both of Highland Village; daughter, Jean Elizabeth (Allan) MacDonald, Burlington, Mass.; sister, Norma James, Woodstock, Ont.; eleven grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Harold Russel Cooke; brothers, Aubrey, Nobel, Clayton and Lester Spencer. Funeral service was held October 21, 2012 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Valerie Kingsbury officiating. Interment in Mahon Cemetery, Great Village. On-line condolences and donations at www.colchestercommunity.com

HOYT, Mary Eugenia "Jeanne" (Bent) - 87, Central Onslow - It is with a heavy heart that the family of Mary Eugenia "Jeanne" Hoyt announce her passing peacefully on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at The Mira, Truro. Born in Bridgetown, she was the eldest daughter of Henrietta and Joseph Bent. Jeanne met the love of her life, Milton when he came to work on the dykes of the Annapolis Basin. They were married at her family home in 1947. Together they lived in Central Onslow and raised three children. She is survived by daughter, Audrey (Martin) MacLean, Bible Hill; sons, Charles (Janet), Central Onslow, David (Alexa), Lower Onslow; grandchildren, Krista Benoit, Quebec, Kelly (Jody Lynch), New Brunswick, Jason Hoyt (Jacqueline), Valley, Taylor Hoyt, Lower Onslow, step-grandchildren, Scott MacLean (Cyndi), Truro, Shawn MacLean (Cindy), Enfield and Nicholas MacLean, Port Williams; nine great-grandchildren; sister, Doris Bent (Murray), Phinney Cove, Annapolis Co. She was predeceased by her husband, Milton "Mike" Hoyt in 2010; sister, Margaret (Norman) Sollows. Funeral service was held October 22, 2012 in Trinity United Church with Rev. Gerald Kerr officiating. Private interment in Robie Street Cemetery. On-line condolences and donations may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

PHILLIPS, Nancy Evelyn - Truro It is with sadness that the family of Nancy Evelyn (Fiddes) Phillips announce her passing on Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2012 at the Colchester Regional Hospital at the age of 78 years. Nancy was the daughter of the late W. Alex Fiddes and Florence M. (Biswanger) Fiddes, Onslow, NS. Her working career in Truro, Pictou and Kentville included various banking positions and prior to her retirement, was the manager of the Town of Truro Housing Authority for 9 years. She is survived by son, Marty of Truro, daughters, Naneve MacRae (Allan) Charlottetown, PEI and Lisa, Dartmouth. She is also survived by grandsons Aaron MacRae, Halifax, Brodie MacRae (Francesca Perez), Montreal; granddaughter Alanna MacDonald (Darren Boutillier), Charlottetown, along with two great granddaughters, Taylor and Brianna, Charlottetown as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. Surviving siblings are Helen Zwicker, Indian Point, NS and Sharon Hewitt (David), River John, NS. She is also survived by brothers-in-law Walter Webber, Chester and Ronald MacCormick, Truro. Nancy was the sister-in-law of Eleanor Phillips, White Rock, BC, David and Halga Phillips, Red Deer, Alberta and Dr. Robin and Ruth Phillips, Valley, Col. Co. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 59 years, William Lewis (Bill) Phillips in March 2012, her parents, her-in-laws William and Violet (Lewis) Phillips, her sisters Shirley Webber, Norma MacCormick, and brothers-in-law Lawrence Yuill, Warren Zwicker and Dr. John Phillips. A celebration of her life was held at the Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro on Saturday, October 27th followed by private family interment. On-line condolences and donations may be made at www.colchestercommunity.com

GOODWIN, Percy Vernon - 89, Truro, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on Friday afternoon, October 19, 2012, at Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born June 12, 1923, in Debert, he was a son of the late Calvin and Lillian (Matthews) Goodwin. Percy is survived by his sister, Wanda (Paul) Comeau, Truro; brothers, Terry Goodwin, Truro; Bryce (Ann) Goodwin, Lower Truro; several nieces and nephews. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Madeline (Lorne) Bigney. Private family interment has taken place in Middle Road Cemetery, Debert. A memorial service was held Sunday, October 21, 2012, in The Peoples Church, 15 Elm Street, Truro, Pastor Ken Fillmore officiated. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

LAMB, Sarah C. - 96, of Diligent River passed away Saturday, October 20, 2012 at Gables Lodge, Amherst. Born in Diligent River, she was a daughter of the late Homer and Bessie (Vickery) Salter. She was a member of the Pythian Sisters and the Rebecca Lodge. She is survived by daughters, Shirley Dickey (Gordon), Upper Musquodoboit; Bonnie Salter (Raymond), Porter's Lake; Martha Thibeault (Henry), Cartier, Ont.; Erma Carmichael (Jack), North Sydney; Kathleen McIlherson (Ken), Toronto; Caroline Fleet (Danny), Halifax; Naomi Lamb, Amherst; sons, Rodney (Doreen), Toronto; David (Suzanne), Leveck, Ont.; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, George; sons, William and Stephen; sisters, Georgena and Alice. Funeral service was held October 24, 2012 at St. George's Anglican Church, Parrsboro, Rev. Tory Byrne officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

MCCULLY, Myrna Louise - 74, Debert passed away October 22, 2012 in Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. She was born February 5, 1938 in Beaverbrook, the daughter of Phyllis (McNutt) Graham and was raised by grandparents, Frank and Laura (Geddes) McNutt. In earlier years, she worked along side her husband as a cook in the lumber camps. She is survived by daughter, Stacey (Randy) Culgin; son, Shayne; grandchildren, David, Laura, Emma, Denver, Isaac, Hayden; sister, Helen Johnston. Myrna was predeceased by her husband, Manning; son, Sidney; infant daughter, Teresa, brothers, Brian Pothier, Roland, Wesley, Merle, Harold, Gordon; sisters, Winnie, Kathleen and Victoria. Funeral service was held October 24, 2012 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Bill Martin officiating. Interment in Debert Cemetery. Donations in her memory may be made to the Debert Firehall or the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 106, Debert. On-line condolences and donations at www.colchestercommunity.com

MOORE, Gilford H. - 66, of Lower Sackville and Parrsboro passed away Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at the Infirmary Site, QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax surrounded by loved ones. Born in Springhill, he was a son of Lois (Gilbert) Moore, Parrsboro and the late Hilton Moore. He will be dearly missed by Josie, his wife of 45 years; daughters, Kathleen Moore, Lisa Moore; grandchildren, Tanisha, Damian, Dawson, Cody, Tyler, Steven, all of Lower Sackville; mother, Lois Moore, Parrsboro; his sister, Linda Keirstead (Andrew), Caribou Island; various nieces and nephews, loyal and caring friends. Funeral service was held October 27, 2012 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro with Rev. Greg Doyle officiating. Burial in the Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com