

# OBITUARIES

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**SKIDMORE, Wayne F.** – Age 77. It is with great sadness that the family of Wayne Skidmore of Noonan, N.B., and formerly of Parrsboro, announce his passing on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at the Oromocto Public Hospital. Born in Parrsboro, he was the son of the late Blair and Louise (Tucker) Skidmore. Wayne enjoyed his ham radio, wood working shop and most of all his winters in Florida. He will be sadly missed by all. Wayne is survived by a daughter, Donna Van der Zweep (Pierre); a son, David Doncaster (Diana); step-children, Susan and Sarah Symons; and cherished grandchildren, Braydon, Brittany, Foster, Jacob, Aidan and Helen; sister, Sharron O'Brien; brother, Darrell (Heather); nieces and nephews, Lynn, Dawn and Sheldon. He was predeceased by his wife, the former Penny Staebler; a sister, Kathy Skidmore. Funeral service was held October 3, 2015 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Burial followed in the Parrsboro Baptist Cemetery. A memorial service (followed by words of reflection) was held at Monday, October 5, 2015 at 7 p.m. at McAdam's Funeral Home, Fredericton. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com).

**SPENCER, Karen Grace (Morrell)** – 59, Noel, formerly of Truro, passed away Saturday, October 3, 2015, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born August 26, 1956, in Enfield, she was a daughter of the late Stan and Edna (Weatherbee) Morrell. Karen is survived by her loving husband, Murray Spencer; children, Laurie Morrell, Truro; Dewayne Kennedy, Alberta; grandchildren, Rebekah, Daniel, Justin, Hallie; sisters, Evelyn (Gary) Dawson, Bible Hill; Linda (Fred) Mason, Fox Brook, Pictou County; brother, Kevin Morrell (Marla Blenkhorn), Truro; several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her sister, Elizabeth "Betty" (Vernon) Feltmate. Arrangements entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Friday, October 16, 2015, Reverend Valerie Kingsbury officiated. Interment was held in Bible Hill Cemetery, Warren Drive, Bible Hill. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**PHELAN, Brian Gordon** – 82, Brookside, Colchester County, passed away on Saturday, October 3, 2015. Born January 5, 1933, in North Sydney, Cape Breton, he was a son of the late John and Annie (Martin) Phelan. A devoted and loving husband of 59 years, he is survived by his loving wife, Phyllis "Queen Bee". A dedicated and loving father, he is survived by children, Patrick, Truro; Brian (Cathy), Beaver Bank; Ann (Eric) Stewart, Lower Sackville; Mark (Deanna), Truro; grandchildren, Carl (Jen) Phelan, Christina Rankin, Megan Phelan, Christopher (Lisa) Phelan, Ben Stewart, Jonathan Phelan; step grandchildren, Shelley Ruggles, Trish Ruggles, Alex Stewart; several great grandchildren; sisters, Violet "Vi" Thorne, Vivian Gates, Halifax; Ann (Lou) Bruckmoser, Wisconsin; brother, George (Barb) Phelan, New Minas. Along with his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Major John "Jack" Phelan (Retired). Special thanks to personal care giver, Susan Scott, and the Palliative Care Team of Colchester East Hants Health Centre. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Thursday, October 8, 2015, Reverend Clair MacLeod officiated. Private family interment was in Crossroads Cemetery, Valley. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**MacINNES, Aubrey George** (October 3, 1930 – October 4, 2015) He was born and lived a full life in Lower Onslow, Nova Scotia. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Betty (Elisabeth) Lane, children, Bob (Kim), Jo-Ann (Gary Knight), Doug (Wanda), all of Lower Onslow and Terrilyn, Georgia, USA; grandchildren, Amanda, Jonathon, Blake, Courtney, Elissa, Chayce, Sydney, Zaria, B.J. and step grandsons, Christopher and Mathew; six great grandchildren; niece, Joan (Frank) Whippie. Aubrey and Betty were very special Foster Parents to many children over the years. He was predeceased by his parents George and Ethel (Fletcher) and half brothers, Lloyd and Doug Stewart. Aubrey was employed as a mechanic for many years; semi-retired at 60 to drive a school bus for seven years. Aubrey and Betty spent many summers camping at Carrs Brook and Sand Point making friends and memories. More recent years found him laughing with friends at the Open Mic or card games. Family and friends admired him for many reasons. His devotion to "Mom", who he lovingly visited daily, was a tribute to the life they created. There will be no visitation or service at this time. Aubrey's wish was to be cremated and taken home till Betty joins him. Once together again there will be a family graveside service. Donations in his memory may be made to the Alzheimer Society of Nova Scotia. On-line condolences may be made at [www.colchestercommunity.com](http://www.colchestercommunity.com)


**SHRUM, Clair L.** – Age 83, of Parrsboro passed away Friday, October 9, 2015 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Clair served his country with the Canadian Army and with External Affairs. He lived a full and most interesting life. Clair is survived by his wife, Mildred Carr-Shrum. At Clair's request, there will be no visitation or funeral services held. Memorial donations in his memory may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at [www.smithsfuneralhome.com](http://www.smithsfuneralhome.com)

**GOUTHRO, Robert Michael "Chuck"**, 83 of Bible Hill, passed away peacefully on October 10th in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Wolfville, N.S., he was a son of the late Thomas and Helen (West) Gouthro. Chuck worked for many years with the Gulf Oil Refinery in Point Tupper, N.S. He also worked for the Schwartz Company and was a Veteran of the Korean War. Chuck leaves behind his daughter, Susan Stone; grandson, Will Stone; sisters, Helen MacNeil of Toronto, Beverly Ann Grace (Bill) of Bedford, Rosemarie Greene (Art) of Lower Sackville and Margaret Thum of California. He was predeceased by his wife, Patricia; brothers, Paul, Thomas and James. Visitation and Reception was held on October 14th in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Private family interment in Watson Cemetery, Truro. Donations in Chuck's memory may be made to the Palliative Care Unit of the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**ROODE, Pauline Heather** – 61, Upper Onslow, passed away on Tuesday evening, October 13, 2015, at home. Born February 12, 1954, in Belmont, she was a daughter of the late Leo and Shirley (Roode) Lindsay. Pauline is survived by her loving husband, George; siblings, Richard (Vera) Lindsay, Brookfield; Brian (Debbie) Lindsay, Shirley Ann Lindsay, Belmont; Larry Lindsay, Fort McMurray, Alberta; Donna Lindsay (Jim Totten), Truro; Randy (Bianca) Lindsay, Onslow; Michael Lindsay, Debert; many nieces and nephews. Graveside interment service was held Saturday, October 17, 2015, at Crossroads Cemetery, 110 Salmon River Road, Valley, Reverend Henry Boehm officiated. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)

**TOTTEN, Daniel Leland**, 71 of Bass River, passed away October 16, 2015 in Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Lee was the son of the late Lester and Letitia (Barley) Totten. He was predeceased by brothers, Reginald, Erwin, Ronald and Stanley; sisters, Ella, Grace, Florence and Leta. Lee is survived by sister, Joyce; brothers, Lionel (Marie), Royce (Donna), Ted (Ruth) and Bernard (Judy); daughters, Denise and Janet; three grandchildren, Meghan, Brooke and Alexander; special friend, Dave Fulton as well as many nieces and nephews. Visitation for Lee was held on Wednesday, October 21st beginning at 1pm followed by Funeral Service at 2pm all in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro with Rev. Anne Hoganson, officiating. Interment in Plains Road Cemetery, Debert. Donations in Lee's memory may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting: [www.ColchesterCommunity.com](http://www.ColchesterCommunity.com)

**FORBES, Bessie Eileen "Betty"** – 88, Truro. On Friday, October 16, 2015, Mum went quietly into the night, surrounded by her family and friends. Betty is survived by her son, Gary (Delia) Fleck, Bible Hill; step grandchildren, Sylvia (Bruce) Conrod, Middle Sackville; Corine (David, deceased) Slack, Spryfield; Christian (Amanda) Thompson, Saint John, New Brunswick; brother, Alfred "Buddy" Fielding, Truro; nieces, Valerie (Mark) Thompson, Halifax; Nancy (Andrew) Snooks, Annapolis Royal; nephew, Terry (Vicki-Lynn) Black, Halifax; in-laws, Logan (Elizabeth) Fleck, Jean Chapman (Bob), Halifax; Peter Fleck (Diane), Truro. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her first husband, Russell Charles Fleck; second husband, Harry Fletcher Forbes; son, Barry Fleck; sister, Shirley (Laurie) Black. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall – Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Wednesday, October 21, 2015, Reverend Valerie Kingsbury officiated. Interment was held in Old Barns Cemetery. Full obituary and condolences at: [www.mattatallvarnerfh.com](http://www.mattatallvarnerfh.com)



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