

OBITUARIES

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JOHNSTON, Roberta - 91, Antigonish, formerly of Great Village, passed away Friday, August 12, 2016, at R. K. MacDonald Guest Home, Antigonish. Born in Great Village, she was the youngest daughter of the late Edward and Catherine (Hunt) Johnston. She is survived by her sister, Geraldine Greenwood, Hamilton, Ontario. Along with her parents, she was predeceased by her sister, Madeline; brothers, Francis "Frank", Alexander "Sandy", Artemus "Art", Walter, J. Wilbur Johnston. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Monday, August 15, 2016, Reverend Carolyn Rushton officiated. Interment was held in Belmont Cemetery, Belmont. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com.

COX, Lawrence J. "Larry" - 66, Little Dyke/Truro, passed away peacefully at home on August 13, 2016. Born in Truro, N.S., he was a son of the late Elmer and Annie (MacPherson) Cox. Larry is survived by his wife, Leone; son, Randy (Susan), Toronto, Ont.; daughter, Shirley (Adam), Truro; brothers, Courtney, Regina, Sask., Randy and Allan, both of Truro; sister, Glenys, Truro; grandchildren, Ryan, Ashley, Patrick and Olivia as well as great grandson, Zane. A special thank you to the VON and Palliative Care for their support and care for Larry and the family. Cremation has taken place under the care and direction of Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Royal Canadian Legion Br. 26 conducted a Tribute Service on August 16. Donations in Larry's memory may be made to the Lung Association of Nova Scotia or to the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON). Online messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

BERKELAAR, Frank M. - 76, Harmony, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on Sunday, August 14, 2016, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Vinkeveen, Holland, he was a son of the late Jan and Anneke (van Rossunn) Berkelaar and immigrated to Canada in 1953. Frank is survived by his spouse, Sally (MacLean) Archibald, Harmony; daughter, Cheryl Archibald (Steve Kunz), Lumsden, Saskatchewan; grandchildren, Jackie Archibald, Calgary, Alberta; Adam Archibald, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories; Justin Archibald, Tatamagouche; sisters, Ria (Rex) Hodgson, Musquodoboit Harbour; Marrie Berkelaar, Maders Cove, Lunenburg County; brothers, John (Joanne) Berkelaar, Bible Hill; Peter (Jannie) Berkelaar, Malagash; Gus Berkelaar (Sonia), Vancouver, British Columbia; several nieces and nephews. Special thanks are extended to the Palliative Care Unit of Colchester East Hants Health Centre and to our family, friends and colleagues for your love and support. Celebration of Frank's life was held Saturday, August 20, 2016, at Atlantic Stockyard Ltd (formerly Maritime Cattle Market), 48 Greenfield Road, Murray Siding. Private family interment was in Belmont Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

MITCHELL, Minerva Elizabeth - 82, Debert, passed away peacefully, Monday, August 15, 2016, at Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Central New Annan, she was a daughter of the late Wilfrid and Elizabeth (Moore) Swan. She is survived by her son, Allen (Sylvia) Mitchell, Debert; daughter, Ruth (Bob) Patriquin, Great Village; grandchildren, Marie Mitchell (Less Wallace), Melissa Mitchell (Mike Taylor), David Patriquin (Amy Nichols), Dawn Patriquin-Slack (Kyle); great-grandchildren Nathan, Hannah, Aidan, Samantha, Liam, Logan, Erica, William; sisters-in-law, Jean Mitchell, Debert, Phyllis Mitchell, London, ON; several nieces and nephews; also her two loving cats, Lucy and Lexy. She was predeceased by her husband, George Earnest Mitchell; sisters, Esther in infancy and Violet; brothers, Hugh, Jim, Alex. Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall - Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro, where the funeral service was held Thursday, August 18, 2016, Reverend Morley Bentley officiated. Interment was held in Mahon Cemetery, Great Village. Full obituary and condolences at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

GERO, Karen Gail (Waugh) - 56, passed away August 19, 2016 in Saint Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, Ontario. Born on July 31, 1960, she was a daughter of the late James and Marjorie (Crewe) Waugh. Karen was so very proud of her boys, Robert, Josh and Devin and held a special place in her heart for her grandchildren, Taylor, Orianna and Cohen (Robert and Marney), Gracie and Jackson (Josh and Sara) and especially her "pride and joy", Nevaeh (Devin and Cat). Karen is survived by her partner, Wesley Haines, Ontario, siblings, Robert Waugh (Lana), Florida, Howard Waugh, Wentworth, Peter Waugh, Halifax, Jane Mackinen (Paul), Salmon River, Harry Waugh (Lucy), Ontario, Charles Waugh (Lynn), Onslow, Beverly Waugh Cutten, Bible Hill, Anthony Waugh (Karen), Lower Truro, Jackie Waugh, Lower Truro. Karen is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by husband, Albert "Butch" Gero as well as sister, Barbara McLean. There will be no public visitation by request. A Private Family Celebration of Karen's life will be held at a later date. Donations may be made to a charity of choice. Online messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

JESSOME, Lloyd "Barry" - Bass River, NS, June 23, 1946 – August 20, 2016. It is with deep sadness that we, Barry's family announce his passing after a lengthy illness with Pulmonary Fibrosis and cancer. He never once complained but carried on with his usual unbelievable optimism. He loved his family and many friends. He loved having anyone who dropped by (and we are so fortunate that there were many). You had to have a cup of tea and maybe a cookie and of course a chat! He still considered himself a true Cape Bretoner, although he lived on the "mainland" in Bass River where he married Margaret Faulkner 44 years ago. He served 7 years in the army in which five years were spent in Germany. He discovered ATVing late in life and he enjoyed it with a true passion. Some of his happiest hours were spent on the trails with our ATV friends from the Colchester Five Islands ATV Club. He may not of had some of the doctors approval for many of our last trips but he was doing what he wanted and that is what mattered. And after an enjoyable 80 – 100 kms, we always returned home safe and another good memory made! Gotta love that!! He

was the son of the late Minnie and Robert Jessome, Sydney Forks, Cape Breton. He was one of nine children, Margie, Adele (Jackie), John "Butch" (Carol), Bobby Ann (Roy), Larry, Peter (Diane), Patsy (Bill). Predeceased by sister, Verle and brothers-in-law, Stan and John. His children, Rick (Lucia), Robert (Gabriela) and Shelly (Chris), grandchildren, Dean, Amber, Ashley (Luke), Max, Zac (Taylor), Tyler, Zack and great granddaughters, Vera and Madison; sister-in-laws, Susan (Lee), Libbi (Wayne) and brother-in-law, Charles (Kim); many nieces and nephews. Memorial service was held August 24 in the Riverside United Church, Bass River with Rev. Carolyn Rushton officiating. Interment in Riverside Cemetery, Bass River. Donations may be made to Colchester East Hants Palliative Care or the VON. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro. Condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com

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