

OBITUARIES

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It is with both great sadness and deep gratitude for a well-lived life that we announce the passing of our beloved mother, Leonora Elizabeth "Bette" Loeffler. Residing in Economy, Nova Scotia, Bette passed peacefully on Sunday, August 3, 2025, at her home surrounded by family, with love and so many memories.



Born in 1930, in Five Islands, Nova Scotia, to the late Wilfred and Helene Corbett, she was the second of four children. Bette is survived by children, Debbie (Ron) Welton, Michelle (Ace) Powel, Rudi (Gudi) Loeffler; three grand-children; two step grand-children; 12 great grand-children; three great-great grand-children; many nieces, nephews and cousins; siblings, Bea (Purdy) Crawford, Steven (Linda) Corbett; and was predeceased by her husband, Rudi and brother, Doug Corbett.

In her early years, Bette lived in Bass River where she spent most of her school years, then later graduated from Normal College in Truro, Nova Scotia. Her teaching career took her to Perron, Quebec where she met her husband, Rudi of 65 years. The couple moved to Ontario in 1952, then on to Manitoba, and Saskatchewan where her husband's construction career took them. While Rudi's work took him away during the week, Bette raised their three children and cared for many other children while their parents worked.

In 1967 they moved "home" to Nova Scotia where they purchased a farm which they operated until 1983. In 1969, Bette taught Home Economics at the Bass River School. Together they opened a meat shop selling products made from beef raised on their farm. Bette supplied the home baking for the shop and was famous for her pies.

After Rudi and Bette started Kenomee Log Homes in 1982, Bette drew up cutting lists for the homes, designed kitchens, managed the accounting, and other administrative tasks. Bette loved to travel and enjoyed trips to Germany, Florida, Texas, Costa Rica plus others. They greatly enjoyed a trip across Canada and to Alaska with Rudi's brother and wife from Germany.

Bette was a wonderful seamstress and enjoyed trying her hand at different crafts. She enjoyed charcoal drawing, ceramics, knitting socks and mittens for her grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. In later years, she especially enjoyed making cards for family and friends and spent many hours puzzling. Bette was very sharp witted and had a wonderful sense of humor and loved knowing what all her children were up to.

Many thanks to all the doctors and nurses, and VON for all the care they provided. Thank you to Linda York for all your care and support. A very special thank-you to Susan Fraser for her care, dedication, and warm support and going above and beyond for Bette and family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Mattatall-Varner Funeral Home, 55 Young Street, Truro where a funeral service will be held 11 am Saturday, August 23, 2025, with Rev. Glen Rupchan officiating. Reception will follow in the funeral home for all. A private family interment at Penial United Church Cemetery in Five Islands will immediately follow the service and reception. Family flowers only. If so desired, donations in Bette's memory to Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia are welcomed. Tributes, words of comfort and memories may be shared at: www.mattatallvarnerfh.com

BOGLE, Elizabeth Anne - It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Elizabeth Anne Bogle (Nee Prescott). Anne was born in Sussex, New Brunswick to Joshua Allison Prescott and Dorothy Frances Johnston. Anne was a first generation Canadian on her maternal side with her mother having immigrated from Scotland, after travelling steerage on the ship The Carthaginian. Anne spent her childhood in Sussex, New Brunswick. Upon high school graduation, she was invited to attend the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal where she achieved her nursing diploma. She then returned to the Maritimes working for the VON and it was there that she met a likeable and social law student, Harold Bogle. They headed West to Calgary (where Harold finished his articles) before moving on to Edmonton, Penticton, and finally Prince George where Harold established his law firm. Anne focussed on raising the children and driving to endless activities. In time, Anne returned to college and completed her fine arts diploma. Her first love was art, and she quickly began to pursue painting seriously. She met like-minded people, and was part of the Milltown artists, Co-runner of the Arterie and a frequent presence at Studio Fair. Music was also important to her; she played the piano, the ukulele and the violin. She also loved to travel and did a semi solo tour of New Zealand in her 80s. Anne was an exceptional cook and hosting dinner parties at their home was commonplace. After Harold's death, Anne moved to Nanaimo. She eventually returned to Prince George so that she could spend time getting to know her younger grandchildren. Anne will be remembered for her piercing blue eyes, her kindness, her love of the Maritimes and her strong wit which she carried with her until her last days. Anne is predeceased by her husband John Harold Bogle, daughter Meredith Catherine Bogle. She is survived by her children John (Allison) and Nancy (Michel), and grandchildren John Duncan (Shannon), Meredith Lucy, Clara, Sam, and George. She is lovingly remembered by many friends, nieces, nephews and extended family in Nova Scotia. Thank you to the staff at Parkside, and to Jasmin, Candy and Harinder for your compassion and exceptional care those last days. A celebration of Anne's life is to follow at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Prince George Community Foundation, Bogle Family.

BOGLE, Edith Alena "Edie" Born March 28th, 1930 in Londonderry, Nova Scotia. Edie passed away in her home in Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan on April 22, 2025 with her children David, Janet, and Susan by her side. Preceded in death her parents Alfred Bogle and Myrtle Gamble Bogle, Sister Janet Bogle, Brother Lloyd Bogle, and Harold Bogle, Sister Charlotte McVicker. Edie was known for her love of Fiddle music, dancing and laughter. Although she spent over 60 years in the USA, she still called Nova Scotia her home. Edie trained as a Nurse at Victoria General Hospital. Edie spent the majority of her working career, caring for oncology patients. Edie had three children David Tucker, Janet Tucker, and Susan Peterson. Also her beloved 3 Grandchildren Bayard King V, Noah Peterson, Colin Peterson. Also Edie's very caring son-in-law's who she loved dearly Ron Pogats and Tom Peterson. Edie loved playing 45's card game with her friends in Tatamoucouche. Edie was blessed to have many dear friends during her life. Edie will have a private funeral service. You can reach out to her family at ediebogle@comcast.net Bless all of you who were so kind to our Mother in her life and later year's.



Edie Alena Bogle at one of her Birthday party's on March 28, 2025, she was 95. She had a party everyday for a week, also on her Birthday she had two parties.

CLARK, Geraldine Florence - It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of **Geraldine Florence Clark**. Beloved mother, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, who left us peacefully on July 24, 2025, at the age of 83 years. She was surrounded by her loving family in the comfort of her home in Debert Court. Born October 20, 1941, in Truro, Nova Scotia, Mom was the daughter of the late Charles and Pansy (Ettinger) McCallum. Geraldine was the cornerstone of her vibrant and loving family. As a devoted mother raising six children, she treasured the special moments she shared with her children creating a lifetime of memories. Mom was an incredible mother, her hands were never idle, always creating memories to look back on. The family would like to thank the loving and caring staff at Debert Court – Shannex for their kindness, compassion and care of our mom and all of us during this difficult time of grief. Geraldine is survived by her six children, Brenda (Larry), Elsa, Glenn (Noelline), Shawn (David), Pansy and Erven; her many grandchildren, great grandchildren and a great-great grandchild who all adored her with all their hearts and a host of family and friends whose lives were touched by her warmth, humour and unwavering spirit. Also survived by her sisters, Violet (Bill), Dianne, Iris (Bob) and sister-in-law, Frances McCallum. She was predeceased by two brothers, three sisters and a son in infancy. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations be made to the Colchester East Hants Health Centre - Dialysis Unit or CEHHC "We Care About Cancer." All were welcome to join the family in celebrating our mom on Monday, August 4th at 11a.m. in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro, NS, with Eileen Corah, officiating. e will be deeply missed, but her love, wisdom, and spirit will remain with us always. May she rest in peace, surrounded by the love she freely gave.

DARBY, Edwin Sydney – Age 88, Valley, passed on July 28, 2025, in Truro. Edwin was born in Summerside, Prince Edward Island on April 28, 1937. He grew up in Abrams Village, where he attended the village school and learned to speak fluent French. This education prepared him for a job in later life with the Department of Veterans Affairs in Charlottetown. Ed, as he was fondly known, held down a number of sales positions throughout his life: selling cars, snowmobiles, hardware, insurance and real estate. He is survived by his first wife, Rosalie Darby; their three children, Chris, Sandra, and Pamela; their spouses and their children and by several great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his adopted children, Wanda, Bonnie and Kenny - from his second marriage. Also left to mourn are brothers, Allen and Clare Darby and their spouses, and his loyal companion, Heather. sister, Veda Grace and parents, Margaret and Edwin Darby. Donations in his memory may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. His ashes will be spread in the New Dominion Cemetery, PEI, later this year, as per his wishes. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.ColchesterCommunity.com.

TERRY, Glendon Ernest – Age 70, North River, NS, passed away on July 24, 2025, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre. Born in Truro, Glen was a son of the late Lloyd and Marion (Clarke) Terry. He is survived by his two sons, Greg Colborne and Tim Terry; sister, Delores Smith; brother, Larry Terry (Josephine Walsh) and many nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his wife, Janice (Nutter) Terry. Glen worked for Stanfield's for many years before moving on to life on the road as a carnival owner. After that career, he became a truck driver for Amour Transport until he retired. Glen loved to play pool at many different places in Truro and was pretty good at it. He also liked to play cards and he was a very nice guy all around. He will be missed by his family and friends. Donations may be made to CEHHC "We Care About Cancer". There will be no funeral at this time. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro.

GAMBLE (Blackburn), Glenora Jane – Age 88, formerly of Upper Economy, passed away on Friday, July 25, 2025, in Elk Court – Brookfield. Mom was born in Cambridge Station, Kings County on February 11, 1937. She is survived by her daughter, Joanne Gamble, Dartmouth; sons, Kenneth (Natalea), Hilden, Douglas (Kim), Salmon River, Robert (Heather), Truro; twelve grandchildren; sixteen great grandchildren; sisters, Vivian (Bill) Paul, Calgary, Shirley DeBay, Truro, Donna Leslie (Rob), Truro Heights, Karen (John) Blinn, Truro, Barbara Johnson (Gordon), Truro; brothers, Wayne (Chris), Tommy and Randy, all of Calgary, Gordon, PEI, Douglas (Carol), Alliston, ON, Jimmy (Donna), Darrell (Marilyn) and Steven (Theresa), all of Truro. Mom was predeceased by her husband, Derral James Gamble; mother, Doris Gertrude Johnson (Blackburn); stepfather, Melvin Edson Johnson; brother, Harry "Speed" Johnson (Louise); brother-in-law, Victor DeBay; daughter-in-law, Sheila Gamble (Pike); one grandchild and two great grandchildren. Throughout her life, Mom worked as a salesclerk, with her first job at Woolworths in Truro. She was also one of the first employees hired at K-Mart when it opened in Truro. Mom loved campfires, shopping, travelling, fishing and spending time at her vacation home on Zephyrhills, Florida with Dad. She had a great fondness for cats, dogs and nature's wildlife. The family would like to extend their deep appreciation to the management, staff and fellow residents of Elk Court who cared for her and shared their companionship with her. Donations in Mom's memory may be made to the Alzheimer Society of NS or the Colchester SPCA. A graveside service for family and friends will be held at a later date in Economy Cemetery. Family flowers are welcome. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro, NS.

LANGILLE, John Vernon – Age 94, passed away peacefully in the Willow Lodge, Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia, on July 29, 2025, into the loving care of his Saviour Jesus Christ. Born on March 7, 1931, and raised in Wallace, Nova Scotia, he was the son of the late George Percy Langille and Annie Jeanetta MacAulay. John joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1951 and served for 30 years. He worked as a commissionaire for 12 years.. He is survived by sons, Jerry (Shelley) and Robert (Angie); grandchildren, Stephanie (Robert), Vernon, Nicole, Hailey, John (Jessica) and Candice (Jimmy); great grandchildren, Isaiah, Savannah, Sierra, Abel, Leanne, Amadahy, Ari, Gabriella, Emmett, Ryan, Tyson, Arabella, Wesley, Calvin, Adrienne, Benjamin, Samuel and sister, Irma Reeves. Besides his parents, John was predeceased by brothers, Karl (infant) and Gerald; former wife, Pearl; daughters, Cindy and Sherri; grandsons, Eric and Owen. John was active in his community serving in the Wallace District Volunteer Fire Department, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 60, Wallace Area Development Association, St. Johns United Church, Wallace Area Men's Club and Open Hamper Food Bank. He loved his community and tried to be a good neighbour. He was a good man, loved by all. A visitation was held on Thursday, July 31st from 1pm until time of funeral service at 2pm, both in St. John's United Church, Wallace. Burial to follow in Wallace Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro.

BARBER, Douglas – Age 84, Bible Hill, passed away in Truro on July 29, 2025, after a year-long battle with cancer. Born in Paget, Bermuda in 1940, he was the son of the late Sidney and Judy (Leach) Barber. Doug immigrated to Canada in 1962, where he joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and ,served over 30 years. He was predeceased by his wife, Donalda (née MacDonald); brother-in-law, Ronald and sister-in-law, Mary. Doug is survived by his daughter, Nadine (Ian); son, Sidney; brother-in-law, Gerald and several nieces and nephews. At Doug's request, there will be no visitation or service. Interment will be at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro.

BAIRD, Grethe Kathrine - In loving memory of Grethe Kathrine Baird, who passed peacefully on July 29, 2025, at the age of 88 years with loving family around her. Born in Truro to Gunnar and Ane Katrine (Nielsen) Nielsen of Old Barns who emigrated from Denmark to Canada in 1930. After graduating from Brookfield Rural High School, Grethe briefly attended Nursing School in New Glasgow, NS before jumping into family life, and her lifelong career as an incredible seamstress. Grethe leaves behind a legacy of family including sons, Charles (Shaun) Baird, Old Barns, Craig Baird, Lower Truro and daughters, Cathy (Steve) Myette, Shortts Lake, Cheryl (Perry) Kienzle, Valley, Cindy (Stuart) Dahlke, Port Moody, BC; grandchildren, Aaron (Autumn) Baird, Nicole (Jay) Gamble, Lauren (Kevin) Cooke, Sara Mills (Brent MacIsaac), Patrick (Kara) Myette, Todd (Bhreagh) Myette, Hannah Kienzie, Alex Kienzie (Ashley Rooney), Jillian Ernest (Neal McGill), Ryan Ernest, Erin Dahlke, Jason Dahlke; step grandchildren, Jadie and Tegan; great-grandchildren, Brooke, Logan, Kara, Kayden, Elliott, Wilder, Sonny and step great-grandchildren, Alex, Cameron; Taylor, Gabby, Jake; Tristan, Oliver and Zoe; brother-in-law, David (Carol) Baird, Lower Truro; many nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her loving husband, Carson (Ted) Baird; brothers, Roy Nielsen, Stewiacke, Hans Nielsen, Old Barns and sister, Karen Clish, Pictou. She had many pets over the years, and leaves behind her beloved cat named Kat. Grethe was a multitallented woman who could fix or build anything. She loved quilting, sewing, woodworking, painting, rug hooking, stitching, knitting and reading. She was most passionate about her gardens and spent many years volunteering for the Dalhousie Agricultural Campus – Friends of the Garden; she was also a volunteer Cobequid Fire Brigade Firemenette for many years. She loved road trips, garden walks, the lake, and she loved ice cream. Donations in her memory may be made to Colchester SPCA. Truro, NS. gin Hare officiating. A private family burial will take place, at a later date in Old Barns Cemetery.

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