

OBITUARIES

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MacNUTT, Wayne Arnold — Age 83, Truro. The family of Wayne A. MacNutt are saddened to announce his passing on July 25, 2026, in the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born in Wallace, he was a son of the late Arnold and Beatrice (Nairn) MacNutt. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Lorna Fay (Stewart); daughters, Deanna MacNutt (Mark Phelan), Bible Hill and Carla MacNutt (Mark Lewis), Truro; his grandchildren who were a precious addition to his life, Vannassa Caldwell (Mike Giroux), Red Deer AB, Amber Caldwell (Thomas Drewery), Truro and Jarret Doyle (Ashley Dalter), Bible Hill; step grandchildren, Christopher and Jonathan; great grandchildren who brought him great joy, Jocelynn, Savannah and Matthew along with special nephew and wife, Dana and Verna Perry, AB. Wayne is also survived by sister, Linda, Dartmouth; brother, Garry (Carolyn), Greenville; sisters-in-law, Verna, Tatamagouche, D. Phyllis, Truro Heights, Sheila (Jeff), Peterborough, ON, Reby (Percy), Valley, Linda, Stewiacke and Veronica, Dartmouth; brothers-in-law, Spurgeon (Wanda), Tatamagouche and Stanley, Goose Bay, NL as well as many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his infant son, Edward Arnold; sisters, Morna and Erva; brothers, Darrell, Blaine and Brian; brothers-in-law, Harold Treen, Bob Perry and Marsden Moxon and son-in-law, Neil Bennett. We would like to thank the VON and healthcare workers, the hospital staff and Dr. Blaauwendraat for all of the care and compassion shown to Wayne. Wayne enjoyed outdoor living, snowmobiling, hunting and many hours at the camp with friends and a Toddy. Other cherished memories were of playing cards with longtime friends. Wayne also loved to travel by car with Lorna as co-pilot covering the Maritimes and longer trips to Alberta, where he spent many of his working years, and onward to Alaska. In lieu of flowers, donations in Wayne's memory may be made to the Monument Hill Cemetery (58 Angevine Lake Road, Angelina Lake, NS B0K 1Y0), the Heart and Stroke Foundation or a charity of choice. In keeping with Wayne's wishes, cremation has taken place and a family graveside service will be held at a later date in Monument Hill Cemetery, Richmond, Cumberland County.

WILLIS, Kathy Anne — May 25, 1959-July 29, 2026. Kathy Anne Willis, age 67, of Lower Onslow, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, on Wednesday morning, July 29, 2026, in Colchester East Hants Health Centre following a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Bass River, Kathy was the daughter of the late Gerald and Helen Lewis. Kathy worked for many years as a cook at The Palliser Restaurant and Fletcher's, but her greatest joy was being a devoted wife, stay-at-home mom, and proud gramma to her grandsons. She was an amazing mom, gramma, and friend, known for her quick wit, unwavering honesty, and loving heart. Those who knew her could always count on her for compassion, guidance, and a laugh when it was needed most. Kathy is survived by her husband and soulmate of 50 years, Steven Willis; her children, Stacey (Ted) Ash, Mitchell Willis (Kandie Fee), and Marcy Willis (Jerry Maloney); and her beloved grandsons, Login Willis (Gracie McKiel), Keilin Willis (Rachel Tooker), and Ethan Ash (Lauren Stevenson). Besides her parents, Kathy was predeceased by her parents-in-law, Jim and Theresa Willis. She was lovingly welcomed into heaven by her cherished granddaughter, Gracie Ash. The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the doctors, nurses, caregivers, and staff of Colchester East Hants Health Centre for their kindness, compassion, and professionalism throughout Kathy's illness and care. Donations in Kathy's memory may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or the SPCA. In keeping with Kathy's wishes, there will be no funeral service.

PROSTAK, Victor (Vic) John. Born December 27, 1940, in Denver, Colorado, passed away on July 29, 2026, in Truro, Nova Scotia. Vic was predeceased by his beloved wife, Catherine Marie Dunn (June 20, 2019); his parents, Victor John and Josephine Stella (Hattel) Prostak; and his sister, Patricia (Tish) Pedreya. After paying his way through Colorado School of Mines by arm wrestling and playing pool, Vic built an accomplished career as a metallurgical engineer. His work took him throughout the United States and around the world before settling in Truro, Nova Scotia, where he served for many years as President and General Manager of Nystone Chemicals, a pharmaceutical barium production operation in Debert with a mine in Brookfield. Vic was a registered engineer in the state of Texas and the province of Nova Scotia, and was also a member of AIME, APENS, and the Mining Society of Nova Scotia. He enjoyed talking about his work and was often heard saying, "If it can't be grown, it has to be mined." Vic was strong, stubborn, and imposing. He had a solid work ethic, valued self-reliance, believed there was a right way to do things, and was never afraid to share his opinions or take on a challenge himself. He also had a softer, introspective, and wistful side. Vic demonstrated his love through his dedication to family, working hard throughout his life to provide for and care for his wife and children. Vic is survived by his daughters, Michelle Marie; Cathleen Lorraine (Omphemetse Olesitse); Cynthia (Cindy) Jeanette (Wesley Jones); and Victoria (Vicki) Josephine. He was a proud grandfather to Finley Carter Jones and Fiona Evelyn Jones. Vic is also survived by his nephew, Donald Pedreya, and nieces, Lorraine Murray and Hope Sawyer. The family extends sincere gratitude to the physicians, nurses, and staff of Colchester East Hants Health Centre for the care (and all the warm blankets) provided throughout Vic's illness. Heartfelt thanks also go to the dedicated VON nurses and Continuing Care Assistants, whose kindness, professionalism, and support helped him remain at home for as long as possible. The family is equally grateful to Vic's neighbours for their years of compassion, assistance, and friendship. Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to Colchester Community Funeral Home, Truro. Details regarding a private visitation or service will be announced at a later date.

ROGERS, Janet Louise - Age 90, Truro, passed away July 30, 2026, in the Colchester East Hants Health Centre, Truro. Born on August 11, 1935 in the Salt Springs area of Pictou County, she was a daughter of the late Henry and Emma (Taylor) Graham. Janet settled with her young family on Alice Street, Truro, where she was a resident for over 70 years. Janet enjoyed sewing, knitting, quilting and baking. She enjoyed her monthly meetings with the "Apple Dumpling Gang", dances at the legion, bingo, shopping with Chris and being a vendor at the New Glasgow area flea market with Laddie and Cathy. As well as being a mother, she taught sewing at the Truro Vocational School, she was a sales associate at the Mayflower Gift Shop and a personal care giver for the elderly. She is survived by her sons, Chris, Peter (Michelle); daughter, Penny (Bert); eleven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; stepdaughter, Joyce Enxing (Bill); many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband of over 40 years, Aubrey Rogers and daughters, Debbie and Clare; stepson, Ralph Rogers (Shirley). Cremation has taken place. A private family graveside service will take place in Watson Cemetery, Salmon River. A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, August 6th at 12:30pm at the home of her son, Peter, at 803 Brookside Road, Upper Brookside.

JOHNSON, Prescott Harry — It is with sadness that the family announces the loss of their beloved brother and son, Prescott Harry Johnson, who passed away in Truro, Nova Scotia, on July 30, 2026, at the age of 62. Born in Truro, Nova Scotia, on March 27, 1964, Prescott was raised in nearby East Mountain. For most of his working life, and until his retirement a few years ago, he was an independent courier with Same Day Courier. His work with Same Day required him to maintain a residence in Cape Breton for many years, though the family home remained the centre of his life. Following his retirement, Prescott devoted himself to caring full-time for his bedridden father, whose wish to remain in his own home was made possible through Prescott's loving care and unwavering commitment. Although he never married and had no children, Prescott shared a special bond with his nieces and nephews, each of whom held a special place in his heart. He also cherished the close relationship he shared with his cousin, Doug, and his family, who were a constant source of love and friendship throughout his life. Prescott was a devoted son whose loving care for his father reflected the depth of his character. He was also a cherished brother, brother-in-law, and uncle whose presence will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Prescott was predeceased by his mother, Eva Marie (Weatherbee) Johnson. He is survived by his father, Harry Burton Johnson; his brothers, Dwane Burton Johnson (Valerie), Kevin Homer Johnson (Annemarie), and Garfield Oscar Johnson (Beverly); his cherished nieces and nephews; his extended family; and many friends. The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the physicians, nurses, and staff who provided Prescott with exceptional care and compassion throughout his two-month hospitalization prior to his passing. Their kindness, professionalism, and unwavering dedication brought comfort not only to Prescott but also to his family. The family is also deeply grateful to all who have offered their love, support, and prayers during this difficult time. A viewing was held Saturday, August 8th from 1:30pm until time of service at 2:00pm in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow St., Truro. Following the service, there will be time for visiting and refreshments. Burial to follow in Crossroads Cemetery, 120 Salmon River Road, Valley, (next to Valley Elementary School). www.ColchesterCommunity.com

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