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Pastor Obituaries 2022

REV. ROSS HOWARD

REV. ROSS HOWARD—89—Beloved husband of the late Virginia R. Howard (Boutilier). Dear father of Susan Graham (Richard), Stephen (Karen), Sharon MacKenzie (David) and Sylvia Henderson (Andrew). Brother of Merrill (Carol). Lovingly remembered by his grandchildren and his great-grandchildren. Predeceased by his parents Rev. T.W. and Georgia Howard. For over thirty years Ross served his community as the Protestant Chaplain of the hospitals in Charlottetown. His church work, which started as pastor of the O’Leary field, moved into many volunteer roles at First Baptist Charlottetown and the wider faith community. In retirement, he became PEI District Director of the Canadian Bible Society. He found great joy in serving, and working with others. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be no public visiting. A private family funeral by invitation, will take place at Belvedere Funeral Home Chapel. A livestream of the service will be accessible through Ross’s memorial page at www.belvederefh.com. Interment will take place later in Sherwood Cemetery. Online memorial donations may be made to First Baptist Church or the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Foundation. Online condolences may be shared at www.belvederefh.com. Ross’s family would like to express their sincere thanks to the staff of Beach Grove Home for their compassionate care of both Ross and Virginia.

<https://belvederefh.com/memorial/rev-ross-a-howard-0>

REV. DAVID GRAY

REV. DAVID GRAY—75—It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Pastor David M. Gray on January 20th, 2022 at the age of 75. Born in Saint John on December 20th, 1946, he was the son of the late Corey and Emma (Dunnett) Gray.

David will be sadly missed by his wife and best friend of 51 years, Irma (MacTavish) Gray and by his devoted children Tammy (Robert) Gallagher and Andrew (Stacey Deacon) Gray. He was a wonderful Grampie to Daniel, Hannah, Nathan, Carter, Emerson and Declan. David will be lovingly remembered by his brothers, Joseph (Nancy), Tom (Lynda) and Peter and his sisters, Anne (Andrew) Crossan, Jane Malley and Joan (Reid) Eisenhauer. He was predeceased by David Carter, his son-in-law.

David served the Lord for over 51 years and referred to this as the best life ever! He and Irma pastored at many churches including Church Planting in Pine Glen, Parkside Baptist, Amherst Open Bible and, most recently, Nasonworth Baptist Church for the last 20 years. Their ministry took them to France and Chad Africa with TEAM and included 16 years with Child Evangelism Fellowship serving the Maritime Provinces. They also loved their partnership with the White Head Baptist Church during their missionary conferences. David also served as the teacher of the Children’s Ministry course at the



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New Brunswick Bible Institute for almost 20 years. Every opportunity to serve the Lord was precious to David and Irma. To our dear friends of the Nasonworth Baptist Church, we will never forget your love and kindness during his last ministry. You were in David's heart until the very end.

David treasured his family and loved spending time with his wife, children, and their spouses. His grandchildren brought him the greatest joy, creating wonderful, fun, and meaningful memories with them each visit. David also enjoyed metal detecting and his visits to Prince Edward Island with his family every summer. He was an avid reader and always had many books on the go. Gardening, mowing his lawn and especially tending his lilies were favorite summer activities. David was always kind to God's little creatures and especially loved Oliver (Tammy's puppy) over this past year.

David's family would like to express deep thanks and appreciation to the Doctors and Nurses at the Oncology Clinic of the Moncton Hospital and on 4200. A special thank you to Dr. Al ani for her amazing care over this past year. We would also like to thank David's niece, Ruth Dunnett and his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Carolyn and Randy Thurber for their tremendous support and love during this difficult time.

There will be a ceremony of remembrance in the spring at the Nasonworth Baptist Church.

Donations to the Nasonworth Baptist Church (nasonworthbaptistchurch.ca), Child Evangelism Fellowship Atlantic or New Brunswick Bible Institute (nbbi.ca) would be greatly appreciated.

Fergusons Funeral Home are assisting the family with funeral arrangements, which will include a Ceremony of Remembrance for David to be held in the spring at Nasonworth Baptist Church in Nasonworth, NB.

<https://www.fergusonsfuneralhome.com/obituaries/159600>

REV. FORD ALWARD

REV. FORD ALWARD—91—On February 1, 2022 at Carleton Manor, Woodstock, New Brunswick, following a period of declining health, Rev. Ford Malcolm Alward passed peacefully into the awaiting arms of his Lord and Savior and to be with Jean, his loving wife of 60 years, who went before him.

Dad was born on a farm at Lower Ridge, King's County, NB on August 25, 1931. He was the eldest son of Roy and Ella (Keith) Alward. When he was a young boy the family moved to Havelock, where his father would grow a successful business. As a youth, Dad enjoyed youth group, reading, playing guitar, life on the farm, fishing and fun times with his many cousins and friends.



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As a young adult, Dad attended business school in Moncton, with the plan of operating his own business. He also joined the 8th Hussars in Sussex and served as a Lieutenant and tank commander in the Reserves. Feeling led to full time Christian ministry, Dad made the decision to attend Gordon College, in Boston, MA, where he earned his BA. He was active in student life and served as student council president when the school relocated to Beverly, MA. Following graduation, Dad attended the University of Guelph for one year, studying agriculture to help prepare him for work in the mission field. He then returned to Beverly and completed his MA (Theology).

In what would foreshadow a lifelong commitment to youth camping, Dad met Mom at Camp Wildwood, in McKees Mills, NB. In what would become a lifetime of love, their first date was spent in a row boat on the Bouctouche River (neither of them could swim), followed by banana splits. Dad and Mom dated for seven years, many of them spent from long distance, as Dad attended university and seminary in Massachusetts. Mom joked that she sometimes wondered if Dad would ever pop the question, but the truth was he was saving up money from lunches he skipped to be able to buy her ring.

Mom and Dad were married in Sussex, NB on May 31, 1958. They spent their first two years in Beverly, MA, as Dad finished his theology degree. Dad and Mom had planned to serve on the mission field in India, but due to health concerns, God's plan for them changed and they served together, pastoring throughout the Maritimes, for nearly five decades.

Throughout the years Dad pastored at First North River, Glace Bay, Riverside-Albert, Nackawic, Florenceville, as well as doing interim work in Fredericton, Quispamsis, Keirsteadville and finally in their adopted home of Woodstock. He touched and was touched by many people along the way. Dad was a pastor in the truest sense of the word...he was a faithful servant, a teacher, a shepherd, a counsellor, a mentor, an administrator and a conveyor of "corny" jokes from the pulpit. He lived what he preached. He cared deeply about not only the people of his congregation, but also those in the communities he lived. He taught each of us the importance of building community through being a cub leader, school board volunteer, helping coach hockey when the community needed a coach (even though he never played hockey), growing vegetables and flowers for the local fair competition, starting a local naturalist club and in later years a very committed door to door political volunteer.

A special passion for Dad and Mom was youth camping, from his days as a student at Campus in the Woods in northern Ontario, to his involvement as a camp director and board member at camp's Wildwood, Green Hill Lake, Shiktehawk and Tulakadik, Dad witnessed the difference camping could make in the lives of children and their families.

Dad had many interests in his life. He was incredibly well read, an avid reader of the bible and all things theological, of history and politics, the news (he still was reading the



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TJ this past week) and especially nature (he loved National Geographic). Over the years he was an avid stamp collector, as it brought the world to his fingertips.

He loved genealogy and researching our family's loyalist roots. His "Alward" book project with his brother Arnold took nearly ten years to complete and took him through the Maritimes, New England and to Europe in his research. He learned to use a computer and the result was four volumes and nearly 2000 pages of pride and love in knowing who we are. He worked on other family genealogy projects and helped other families research their histories as well.

He was an avid bird watcher and citizen naturalist from his earliest days, even when it wasn't popular. He taught us all to respect nature. In fact, a lone robin stood guard in a tree outside his window during his final three days. He taught us how to fish, although we debate how much success he had. He had not only a green thumb, but a green arm. He grew beautiful vegetable and flower gardens.

He loved "food", especially strawberry sundaes and lemon pie. He loved to experience exotic foods from India, blue cheese, eggplant and soy burgers (in the 70's before they were perfected) ...sometimes to our chagrin.

He loved his family deeply. He was a father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He was proud of each of his children including David (Rhonda), Mark (Brenda), Stephen (Janette), Paul (June) and Rebecca (Jeff). Dad and Mom taught us how to love unconditionally; to support and encourage; to go after our dreams, whatever they were; and at times helped meld us when needed.

Dad was especially proud of his grand-children and loved spending time, knowing what they were up to and having pictures of each of them. He will be missed much by Nathen, Jonathan (Shubhi), Bradley, Benjamin, Hannah, Mel, Phoebe, Alison and Jadon, as well as great-grandson Rowan.

Dad leaves to mourn his brothers Arnold (Janice) and Walter (Connie), sister's-in-law Marilyn (Eldon) and Grace, and brothers-in-law Paul and Reg, as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews. He was pre-deceased by his loving wife of 60 years Jean, his parents, his sister Elsie, sister-in-law Donna and brother-in-law Bev.

The family would like to thank all the team at Carleton Manor for the wonderful care Dad received over the past seven years and especially throughout this most difficult time during the pandemic. The care and support Dad and our family received during his final days is gratefully appreciated. Thanks to Dr. Allison Boyle and Dr. Sarah Ganham for the attentive care provided to Dad.

The family would also like to thank Dad's church family at the Woodstock Baptist Church for their love and support. A special thank you to Pastor Craig and earlier Pastor Leonard for their caring touch.

<https://www.culbersonfuneralhome.com/obituary/ford-alward>



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REV. DR. W. RALPH RICHARDSON

REV. DR. W. RALPH RICHARDSON—81—We sadly announce the passing of Ralph Richardson, but with appreciation for a life well lived, in his 82nd year on February 9th 2022 at Monarch Hall, Riverview N.B. after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's. He has fought a good fight with courage, determination and a strong faith and won the prize by entering into the presence of his Lord and Saviour.

Born in Moncton August 21, 1940, he was the son of the late Warren and Annie (Blackwood) Richardson.

In 1962, Ralph sensed a call to ministry, and prepared by studying at New Brunswick Bible Institute, United Baptist Bible Training School, Gordon College and Gordon Divinity School. To better equip himself for teaching he later completed an MTH degree and a Doctorate from Walden University.

His full-time ministry began at Lewisville Baptist Church in Moncton in 1969. In 1971 he began teaching part time at Atlantic Baptist College which led to full time teaching in the role of Dean of the Bible Department from 1973 to 1983 and administrative Vice President from 1983 to 1985. He assumed the role of President from 1986 to 2000. When he resigned from the presidency, he went back to the classroom which was one of his great joys. He enjoyed teaching, but more specifically, he loved and encouraged his students. Even when his health declined, he could recall many students he had taught during his 37 years in the classroom.

During his teaching and administrative career, he also enjoyed several interim pastorates part time, the last being McKees Mills Baptist church where he grew to love this family of faith.

His great dream was to see the university campus on the Salisbury Road become established on the Gorge Road on the property donated by his cousin's wife Ruth Colborne. His dream was realized through the efforts of a great fundraising team and the new campus of Crandall University was opened in 1996.

In March 2020 when Covid closed the programs that provided exercise and social activities he began walking in the driveway. This turned into a fundraiser for Parkinson's Canada and with the help of his caregiver and his wife he walked for 300 days and raised over \$32,000. He was determined to keep going rain or shine which captures his attitude toward life.

Ralph will be sadly missed by his wife Berys (Gilbert) Richardson, his beloved children, Timothy Richardson (Kyla) of Riverview NB, Ruthann Richardson (Ron) of Brisbane Australia and his precious grandchildren, Peyton and Alaina.

Words cannot express our gratitude to the nurses and caregivers at Monarch Hall for their kindness and care, and to Greg Hicks who provided care for 4 years.



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There will be a service to celebrate Ralph's life on Sunday February 20th at 2 pm at Fergusons Funeral Home 1657 Mountain Rd Moncton (858-1995). Due to Covid regulations proof of vaccination, government ID and mask will be required. There will be no visitation.

Due to limited seating the family has made available the option to view the funeral service via live stream by using the following link: <https://vimeo.com/676386624>

Donations in his memory can be made to Parkinson's Canada or Crandall University. Online condolences may be expressed on the Fergusons Funeral Home Facebook Page or at www.fergusonsfuneralhome.com

<https://www.fergusonsfuneralhome.com/obituaries/160122>

REV. ROBERT TRITES

REV. ROBERT TRITES—68—It is with humble and profound sadness that we share the passing of Robert at the Saint John Regional Hospital. He is now at home with his Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, Whom he loved fiercely and served faithfully.

Born in Moncton to Wanda and the late Ronald Trites, he graduated from Moncton High School in 1973 and married his only love, Susan, in September of that same year. Soon after, he felt the call to Christian ministry and after attending Atlantic Baptist College and Acadia Divinity College, he was ordained to ministry in 1998. He faithfully served in churches in Nova Scotia – in Shag Harbor and Woods Harbor – and in New Brunswick – Lakeville Corner, Lindsay, and Seal Cove on Grand Manan Island.

He leaves behind his wife of 48 years Susan, their sons Matthew (Jennifer) and Jeremy (Jasmine) and grandchildren Lauren, Emily, Alicia, Brianna, Hailey, and Caedmon; his siblings Michael (Linda), Dan (Louise), Janet, Rodney (Terri), Stephen (Ann Marie), Karen (Steven), and Patti (Bruce).

Upon retiring from pastoring, he and Susan settled in Jacksonville and he worked in the trucking industry both in the office and as a driver. He has done many things throughout his lifetime: refereeing hockey games, volunteering on the ambulance, lobster fishing, building houses, automotive mechanics, and all the while loving his family and friends.

Visitation will be held Friday, March 18 [2022] from 2-4 and 7-9 pm at the Carleton Funeral Home in Jacksonville, NB. Funeral service will be Saturday, March 19 [2022] at 2:00pm at the Hartland Baptist Church.

Donations can be made in Robert's memory to the Hartland Baptist Church Memorial Project.

<https://www.carletonfuneralhome.ca/obituaries/Robert-Harvey-Trites?obId=24282347#/celebrationWall>



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REV. DR. ROGER PRENTICE

REV. DR. ROGER PRENTICE—78—The Reverend Dr. Roger Howard Prentice, a man of distinction and beloved by many for his kindness, probity, and sense of joy, died at home on April 8, 2022, at the age of 78. Born in Saint John, NB, he grew up in Halifax where he and his family were active in First Baptist Church. After receiving his BA from Dalhousie University in 1966, Roger went on to Acadia University, graduating with the BD degree in 1969. This began a life-long connection with Acadia that was recognized in 2008 when he received the degree Doctor of Humanities, Honora Causa, as a “dedicated scholar, friend, servant of and ambassador for Acadia University.”

Roger had student pastorates in Advocate Harbour/Apple River and Truro Heights. In September 1969 he was ordained by First Baptist Church Halifax and became the Assistant Minister and Minister of Christian Education in First Baptist Church Amherst. Through camping, directing plays, managing a Church League hockey team and indefatigable outreach, Roger impacted many young people with whom he maintained contact for the rest of his life. This focus on providing interactive opportunities for spiritual reflection and growth became a pattern for very successful ministries in Baptist Churches in St. Stephen, NB and Annapolis Royal, NS, culminating in his outstanding service to Acadia as University Chaplain for 22 years. Through daily services, annual Passion Plays, attendance at university events, sensitive counselling and his personal example of integrity, spirituality and Christian love, Roger made a significant and lasting contribution to the lives of thousands of students as well as staff.

Prior to coming to Acadia, in 1979, Roger began four years of study at Regent’s Park College, Oxford, focusing on Baptist Church history, which led to another large circle of friends with whom he was in regular correspondence enhanced by occasional visits. His scholarly activity endured throughout his life. He read deeply and widely and wrote many articles and books.

Roger was an active member of the Wolfville Baptist Church, the Wolfville and Area Interchurch Council, the annual Christmas “Fezziwig” production, as well as offering advice, counsel, lectures, and sermons at a variety of Churches in Nova Scotia and beyond. He helped found the Atlantic Baptist Fellowship (now the Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms), which he served as President, Bulletin Editor and Credentials Committee Chair. For many years he was Chaplain to the Wolfville Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 74.

Roger’s contribution to community was recognized in the bestowing of two important awards on him: the Queen’s Jubilee Medal, 2012 and the Senate of Canada Sesquicentennial Medal, 2017.

After retiring, Roger concentrated his scholarly research in the Baptist Archives at Acadia which led to several publications. He submitted the draft of his most recent book to the publisher only a few days before his death. Many of his friends treasured another



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retirement project – the annual arrival of the Christmas publication of his “Mildred” stories.

Roger was predeceased by his parents, Percy and Myra (Long) Prentice, and by his fiancée, Leanne Oickle. He is survived by several cousins.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in Acadia’s Manning Memorial Chapel with a reception to follow at Fountain Commons Hall. Burial will take place in Wolfville’s Willowbank Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Manning Memorial Chapel Endowment Fund or a charity of your choice. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the White Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Kentville.

<https://www.whitefamilyfuneralhome.com/obituaries/161441>

REV. CURTIS DUCLOS

CURTIS DUCLOS—67—It is with great sadness we announce that God called Curtis Edgar Duclos home, at the age of 67, when he passed suddenly on April 15, 2022 at his home in Digby, NS. Born in Kitchener, Ontario, on July 2, 1954 he was a son of Marilyn and Marcel Duclos (Calgary). Survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Leona Duclos, lovingly remembered by daughter, Laura Johnston (Ian); sons, Luke Duclos (Kristan), Buck Duclos (Kiyono); grandchildren, Ashley, Brooke, Simon, Sofia, Gabe, and Aurelius; brother to, Kim Pewar (Kelowna BC), Lois McArthur (Scottsdale, AZ), Dennis and Sandi Duclos (Kitchener, ON) and lots of nieces and nephews. Dad loved to read the word of God and share the love of Christ with others, sometimes even from his front porch. Curtis was the kindest, patient, most honorable man you would ever meet. Curtis (Pa) enjoyed video chatting with his children and grandchildren, walking with his wife Leona and dog Jax in the bush while on the lookout for new trails! He loved hunting and fishing and riding his Harley on the open road. He had many adventures in his life, from rodeo work in Arkansas, sheep farming in New Zealand, building bridges in the Northwest Territories, to serving in the Airborne Jumper Regiment from January 1976 to July 1980.

Curtis became an ordained minister and then served as a Armed Forces Padre from April 2002 to July 2014 until he retired. Curtis and his wife Leona enjoyed the community in their forever home on earth in Digby, NS overlooking the ocean.

Donations in memory may be made to a charity of choice or The Parkers Cove Baptist church or the local food bank.

A funeral service was held, Friday, April 22 at 2pm from Parkers Cove Baptist Church (1129 Parker Mountain Road, Granville Ferry), Pastor Collin McMahon presiding, with burial to follow. A video recording of the funeral service can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RDY33gL67vc>

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/digby-ns/curtis-duclos-10717415>



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REV. SCOTT MACDONALD

REV. SCOTT MACDONALD—58—Scott Donald MacDonald passed away at the Yarmouth Regional Hospital on Sunday, April 17, 2022, after a long battle with liver disease. He was 58 years old.

Scott was born on March 6, 1964, in Zweibrucken, Germany, while his father was assigned with the Military in Europe. He attended Atlantic Baptist College and Acadia Divinity College. He held a Master of Divinity degree and embraced his call to pastoral ministry. He especially had a passion for rural ministry and served pastorates in Port Lorne (NS), Belmont (PEI), Pugwash (NS) and Port Maitland (NS). He finished his formal ministry in Sandford, NS in 2016 following cancer surgery which exasperated his liver disease. His health no longer allowed him to do what his heart yearned to continue.

His love for people and community always lead him to be involved with various outreaches, whether it was on the SAC in his children's schools, as a Board member or Spiritual Life leader of Camp Peniel, or as a member of the Spiritual Care committee at the Yarmouth Regional Hospital. One of the highlights for Scott was chaplain of the local Legion in Port Maitland, and organizing and participating in the annual Remembrance Day service held in the Port Maitland Elementary School. It was painful for him when his health forced him to have to give up this last community involvement.

Despite Scott needing to retire from full-time ministry, he kept true to his pastoral calling and character by continuing ministry in his own way. Even in his sickness he struck up friendships and connections with those around him. Scott strived to look beyond the surface and to see someone for who they are. This led to him delaying sharing his profession so that people could be their authentic selves without judgement of his title.

To us, Scott was larger than life, but not in his own eyes. He disliked the title of Reverend, but if one was necessary, preferred that of Pastor Scott (or PScott as he was affectionately known by the youth group!) He was a gentle giant with a great capacity for love and compassion. He will be remembered for his infectious and hearty laugh, and his ability to anticipate a good joke. He was gifted in his ministry to care for people, especially with illness, dying, and death. He had a way of calming the room with just his presence. He touched many lives by offering great help, care, and love in their toughest times. His compassion for those hurting in sickness and grief shone in the many hours he spent with families in hospital and the funeral home.

But Scott's greatest joy and pride was in his family. He loved his children fiercely and was so proud of their accomplishments. He beamed through their weddings, and popped buttons at every graduation! The spirit being willing, Scott was looking forward to attending his son's graduation with a Master's degree from Acadia University in three weeks. Unfortunately, the body was too weak, but there is no question as to the desire of his heart. Scott loved all things Maple Leafs and was touched when Braedon arranged



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a trip to Toronto to watch their team play! He also shared a love for the New England Patriots with his kids, and family dinners rarely went by without a sports narrative taking place at some point! Scott was proud of his daughter's career as a pharmacist. One of his simplest pleasures over the years was to bring her and her co-workers a coffee at work, just to check to see how her day was going. He was so proud to tell his liver transplant team that his daughter was looking after him!

And just as he was entering the gruelling process of liver transplant assessment, and the twelve-year struggle was intensifying, the Lord gave him the gift of a grandson. Luke's smile and love lifted his spirits on the most difficult of days and gave him the courage to keep fighting. In his heart, his greatest role on this earth had become Grampie... or "Bimpy" as Luke had taken to calling him.

Scott is survived by his wife Heather (nee Rose); his children Kaitlynn (Phill) d'Entremont, Braedon (Rebecca) MacDonald; his grandson Luke (Kaitlynn's); his loving parents Rev. Earl and Clara MacDonald; his siblings Glenn MacDonald, Heather (Chris) d'Entremont; Phil (Crystal) MacDonald. He is also survived by sister-in-law Marilyn (Robert) Ellis; brothers-in-law Jim (Peggy) Rose, Bill (Linda) Rose, Art (Diane) Rose, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation is planned for Friday, April 22, 2022, from 6-8 pm at Sweeny's Funeral Home on 567 Main St. Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. The funeral will take place on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 2 pm, from Sweeny's Funeral Home, with Pastor Bill Parks officiating (The service will be live-streamed on Sweeny's Funeral Home website). Burial to be in Darlings Lake Cemetery. All are welcome to attend but we would request masks be worn. Family flowers only, but donations in Scott's memory can be made to Sandford United Baptist Church, Camp Peniel, Red Cross, or a charity of your choice. Online condolences may be sent to: sweenys@sweenysfuneralhome.net, or you may sign the guestbook online at: www.sweenysfuneralhome.net. The family wishes to acknowledge Scott's amazing medical team; including the liver transplant team in Halifax, the staff of the ER and 4-East at Yarmouth Regional Hospital, our continuing care team, and especially our family Physician, Dr. Joe Gillis, for his exceptional care for Scott.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11.

<https://sweenysfuneralhome.frontrunnerpro.com/book-of-memories/4910510/MacDonald-Scott/index.php>

REV. DOUGLAS PORTER

REV. DOUGLAS PORTER—85—Douglas Almon Chapman Porter went to be with the Lord he served on July 9, 2022. The son of the late Andrew and Lillian (Chapman) Porter formerly of Hebron. Doug was predeceased by his son, David and grandson, Justin.



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He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Ella (Doane), Harbour View Haven, Lunenburg; son, Phil (Judy), Dartmouth; daughter-in-law, Shawna, Brooklyn; son, Andrew (Nancy), Wisconsin; daughter, Sandra (Greg Lowe), Bridgewater; grandchildren, Bethany, Zachary, Isaac (Maria), Steven, Jessie, Ted (Marissa), Cameron and Abigail; great grandchildren, Joshua, Angela, Alexander, and Oliver; sisters, Bernice Powell, Iris and Peggy (Jim Rose). He's also survived by his constant companion, Ella's cat, Cuddles.

A retired Baptist minister, for over 60 years Doug pastored churches in Quincy, Mass., Westchester, Wentworth, New Annan, Collingwood, Dorchester, N.B., Dartmouth, Aylesford, Morristown, Lake Paul, Coldbrook, Pleasantville, Milton, Charleston, Port Medway, New Ross and New Cornwall. He was the Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Federation on Alcohol and Other Drug Problems. While in Dartmouth he was instrumental in the planting of Regal Road and Immanuel United Baptist churches.

Doug was a founding member and first chair of the board for Ghana Rural Integrated Development (GRID). As active members of the GRID organization, Doug and Ella helped hundreds of thousands of people in Ghana who were the recipients of their love and care, as they raised funds and acted as resource people and leaders on their four trips to Africa that have led to clean water, schools, churches and a modern hospital in Northern Ghana.

Doug viewed hospital and seniors' homes visitation as very important in ministry and was actively involved in both local senior's ministries and as a member of the board of the Atlantic Baptist Senior Homes.

An active volunteer, Doug served with the Aylesford and District and Pleasantville fire departments as both a fire fighter and chaplain for over forty years. Always together, he and Ella have travelled to ten provinces, 24 states and 8 countries. Their greatest love was their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren; they considered them their treasure.

A memorial service followed by a reception will be held at Bridgewater Baptist Church on Tuesday, July 26th, at 2:00 p.m. Service will be live-streamed at bridgewaterbaptist.com. No flowers at the request of the family. The family requests attendees wear masks in recognition COVID is still with us. If you wish to honour Doug's memory, the family encourages you to make a donation to Ghana Rural Integrated Development or Bridgewater Baptist Church.

<https://sweenysfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/3577/Rev-Douglas-Porter/obituary.html#tribute-start>

REV. DR. FRANK GUINTA SR.

REV. DR. FRANK GUINTA SR.—98—Dartmouth NS, went to be with the Lord he served. He passed away peacefully at the Veterans Memorial Hospital in Halifax, Nova Scotia on



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Canada Day, July 1, 2022. Born in Montreal, Quebec on September 4, 1923, he was the third child of Luigi and Katarina (Foti) Giunta (Guinta).

Frank Sr. served in the Royal Canadian Navy joining the military service in 1941, a World War II Veteran decorated and honourably discharged, retiring in 1967, Chief Petty Officer, First Class. While in the Royal Canadian Navy Frank Sr. served as a communicator sailing on ships such as the HMCS Snowberry, 1942, HMCS Haida, 1948, HMCS Magnificent, 1949, HMCS Labrador, 1955, HMCS Bonaventure, 1958, HMCS Terra-Nova, 1961. During his naval career he was stationed on Naval Bases HMCS Stadacona, Halifax, N.S.; St. Hyacinth, Quebec; and HMCS Cornwallis, N.S.

Following retirement from the RCN he felt a call to enter training for the Gospel ministry. This calling was a direct result of his itinerant ministry serving as the "Singing Evangelist" in Maritime Baptist churches. He earned a BTh from Acadia Divinity College, Wolfville, NS and was ordained in 1968. Later he earned a ThM in 1987 and a ThD in 1989 from International Seminary, Plymouth, Florida. Frank Sr. served several Baptist churches including Lucasville and Hammonds Plains Baptist, Halifax; Faith Memorial Baptist, Yarmouth; Millville United Baptist Church Field, NB; Parker's Cove Baptist Church, N.S. Serving in the Reformed Church of America, he pastored churches in Montreal, QC; Waupun, Wisconsin, USA; and Cohoes, NY, USA. At the age of 75 he retired to Dartmouth, NS. At the age of 80 he took on the responsibility of serving Clyde Avenue Baptist Church in North Sydney, Cape Breton for five years, retiring for a third time to live in Dartmouth.

Throughout his life Frank enjoyed music, baseball, travelling, gardening, beaches, politics, visitation and sharing his faith. He lived at home enjoying family until his final year of life.

Frank Sr. was predeceased by his loving wife Lena Wynetta (Hamilton), his brother Albert and sisters Vincenza, and Francesca. Surviving Frank are his four children Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta Jr. (Donna MacArthur); David, both of Dartmouth; Peter (Sharon Mapplebeck), Waterloo, Ontario; Alexandra (Philip Mooney), Barrie, Ontario; grandchildren Jonathan, Julia (Jesse), Barbara, Myles (Pamela), Bryan (Carolyn), Andrew (Cheryl) and Sarah (Elliot); eight great grandsons and two great-great grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. Internment will take place later.

The Celebration Service for the Rev. Dr. Frank Guinta Sr. will take place at Life Branch Church, 10 Lancaster Dr., Dartmouth, NS on Saturday, July 23rd, at 2:00 pm. Masks are recommended.

Donations may be made to Acadia Divinity College, 15 University Ave, Wolfville, NS B4P 2R6 or to the charity of your choice.

www.donaldkwalker.ca/Obituaries/rev-dr-francisco-frank-joseph-guinta/



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REV. EDWARD (BEV) DENSMORE

REV. EDWARD “BEV” BEVERLY DENSMORE—74—passed into his Lord & Savior’s arms on Saturday August 6th, at the Yarmouth Regional Hospital after a lengthy illness. Born in St. Martin’s NB on June 15th, 1948, he was son of the late Herb & Ruth Densmore. “Bev” as he was better known grew up in Fairfield, NB with both parents being deaf mutes. He graduated from Simonds High Saint John, NB, Atlantic Baptist College, NB and Acadia Divinity College, NS. Before he was called into the ministry, he worked at Maritime Beverage Co in Saint John. He pastored in Restigouche Field Flatlands, NB, Moores & Mann’s Settlement (Que), held Bible studies on McDavid’s Mt., Smithtown, Salt Springs, Titusville (NB), Freeport, Port Hilford, Arcadia, Chebogue, Rockville, Carleton and Lake George (NS). He loved to be creative with popsicle sticks, wooden models. He had a passion for model trains. His greatest joy was preaching and visiting. In his later years he was blessed with precious granddaughters. He was predeceased by his parents Herbert & Ruth Densmore, brother Lloyd and sister Marion (in early childhood). He is survived by wife, Ethel; sons, Jonathan (Bonny) NB; Andrew (Amee), PEI and daughter, Heidi (Yarmouth); delightful granddaughters: brothers, Carl (Val); Walter (Happy); George (Linda); sister-in-law, Fran.

A funeral service was held on August 12, at 1pm at Temple Baptist Church with Pastor Tim Turpin officiating. Please visit the link below to view the video of the service.

Donations may be made to Lake George church, VON, or Send a Kid to Camp. A special thank to all the Doctors, nurses and staff at Yarmouth Regional Hospital and Tri County VON for their kind and compassionate care.

<https://memorials.sweenysfuneralhome.net/edward-bev-densmore/4998621/>

REV. ALBERT N. MARSHALL

Rev. Albert Nelson Marshall—88—a herald of the Kingdom, went home to be with the Lord on July 31, 2022, at the South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater.

Born in Saint John, New Brunswick, in 1934 he was the son of the late Mark William and Rebecca Jane (Snelgrove) Marshall and spent his early years there being educated in the city school system.

Albert studied for the Christian ministry at the Salvation Army William Booth Memorial Seminary, Toronto, Ontario. Upon ordination in 1953 at the age of 19, he held parishes in Ontario and Nova Scotia. He furthered his education at Acadia Divinity College, Wolfville, Nova Scotia and was ordained by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches in 1972. He served convention churches in Hampstead Pastorate, and Pokiok Pastorate in New Brunswick before moving to Nova Scotia to serve the Guysborough pastorate, Deep Brook pastorate and New Ross pastorate followed by serving the Lewisporte Baptist Church in Newfoundland. While in New Ross, he served as secretary-treasurer of the New Ross Board of Trade and was a life member of the New Ross Farm Museum. He served as moderator in several Baptist Associations with a lengthy term as moderator of



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the Newfoundland and Labrador Baptist Association. Upon retirement, he went on to do interim ministry at Chester, Bridgewater, Barss Corner, Mahone Bay and Liverpool Baptist churches, ably supported by his wife in team ministry. He was a member of the Bridgewater Baptist Church. Albert's faith and determination remain undaunted throughout his ministerial career, serving his parishioners with compassion. His wife Doris, predeceased him in 2017 after 59 years of marriage. He is survived by daughter Janice (Robert) Miller, Chester. Son, Andrew (Donna), Chester Basin. Grandchildren Matthew (Julia) Miller, Annapolis Royal; Jennifer (Michael) Bennett, Havre Boucher; Micahla (Travis) Clarke, Chester; Colton and Kate Marshall, Chester Basin; Great Grandchildren – Sage Sophie, Shepherd, Simon Bennett; Lucas and Brayden Miller; Violet Clarke; nieces and nephews. Albert was the last surviving member of his family. Predeceased by brothers Malcolm, Bramwell, and Charles. No visitation by request. A joint memorial service will be held for Albert and Doris on Saturday, August 27 at 11:00 am in the Bridgewater Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. Aaron Kenny officiating. Private burial for family only will be held in the Pinehill Baptist Cemetery, Chester.

Memorial donations may be made to the Bridgewater Baptist Church 564 Glen Allan Drive, Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, B4V 0B3. Acadia Divinity College, 15 University Avenue, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, B4P2R6. Arrangements are entrusted to the Davis Funeral Home, Chester.

No online obituary for Rev. Marshall is available at this time.

REV. EUSTACE MARSHALL

Rev. Eustace Ashton Marshall—passed away at his residence on September 9, 2022. He was the son of the late Henry and Hilda Marshall of New Amsterdam, Guyana.

Rev. Marshall completed his education at the Church of England School in Guyana, Kingston Bible College (B.B.S), and Acadia Divinity College (M.Div.). He was a chartered member of the Institute of Purchasing and Supply, London England. He served in many churches in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and Guyana. In his earlier years he worked with the Demerara Bauxite Company as a land surveyor and draftsman, and as a purchasing agent for Alcan Aluminum in Guyana and Manhattan, NY.

Rev. Marshall was dearly loved by his family and will be greatly missed. He was a good father and provider and was always there to encourage and advise his children, supporting them in their academic careers and achievements.

He is survived by his wife, Jackelin Marshall of Kentville; his beloved children, Andrew (Gladys) of Dieppe, NB; Peter (Tracey) of Dartmouth; Lois Marchand (Mike) of Brownsville, Texas; Ruthann McDow (Darren) of Los Angeles, California; and his grandchildren, Adelle; Aaron; Karli; Justin; Janelle; Quinn; and Cameron.



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In addition to his parents, Rev. Marshall was predeceased by his grandson Van Der Saar Salomon.

The family extends their grateful appreciation to the staff at the VON who cared for Eustace.

At the family's request there will be no visitation. There will be a service to celebrate Eustace's life in the Kentville Baptist Church on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 2:00 pm with Rev. Dr. John McNally officiating followed by a reception in the church vestry. Interment will be at the Elm Grove Cemetery, Steam Mill, Kentville. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the VON. Arrangements have been entrusted to Serenity Funeral Home, 34 Coldbrook Village Park Dr., Coldbrook, NS, B4R 1B9 (902-679-2822).

<https://serenityfuneralhome.ca/tribute/details/8839/Rev-Eustace-Marshall/obituary.html#tribute-start>

REV. HAROLD ARBO

Rev. Harold William Arbo—82—On Friday, September 9, 2022, one day shy of his 83rd birthday, Rev. Harold William Arbo of Fredericton, NB, son of the late Rev. Harold and Louise (McEachern) Arbo, passed peacefully into the presence of his Lord and Saviour. He will be dearly missed by his wife of 60 years, Lucille (Roberts) Arbo; children, Jennifer Sherwood (Brian) and Mark Arbo (Yoko); four grandchildren, Jacob and Kayla Sherwood, Alyssa and Mae Arbo; sister, Joan Murphy; brothers, Pastor Larry Arbo (Reet) and Paul Arbo (Lorraine); several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother-in-law, Roy Murphy.

Harold faithfully served the Lord pastoring various churches around New Brunswick from the age of 19, until his 70s. During that time, Christ's calling also took him to St. John's, Newfoundland, as well as the Baptist Convention Office. Harold took very little from people... but gave so very much. Whether it was a bereaved family, a scared prisoner, a nervous young pastor, a homeless addict or one of his own children or grandchildren, his love and patience seemed limitless. Harold felt compassion in a way that compelled him to intervene. His love was steeped in wisdom and backed by a tireless work ethic as well as a deep faith that God still heals and restores. As a result, his life impacted a great many churches, neighbourhoods, and countless individuals.

Visitation will take place at York Funeral Home, 302 Brookside Drive, Fredericton, NB on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 from 2-4 and 6-8 pm. A celebration of his life of love and service will be held at The Drive Church, 150 Greenwood Drive, Fredericton, NB on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 11 am. A private burial will take place at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Saint John, NB. For those who wish, remembrances may be made to



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Outflow Ministry, York Care Foundation, or Alzheimer Society. Personal condolences may be offered through www.yorkfh.com

<https://yorkfh.com/tribute/details/7686/Rev-Harold-Arbo/obituary.html>

REV. DR. WILLIAM BRACKNEY

Rev. Dr. William H. Brackney—74—On Sunday, November 13, 2022, William H. Brackney passed away at the age of 74 in Kentville, Nova Scotia. He was the beloved husband of Kathryn Edens Brackney of Wolfville, Nova Scotia; cherished father of Noel Christian Brackney (Krystyna Drywa), Erin Brackney Kremkus (Mark Kremkus) and Godfrey Raphe Brackney (Nicole); loving grandfather to Isaac and Iris Brackney, Ivy and Aurora Kremkus and Ava, Emma and Margot Brackney. Bill was predeceased by his parents, Samuel Harp Brackney and Mildred Pointer Brackney and brother, Kennard Samuel Brackney.

Born in 1948 in Washington, DC, Bill grew up attending Landover Hills Baptist Church and graduated from Gabriel DuVal Senior High School in 1966. Bill went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts (Honors) from the University of Maryland (College Park, MD) in 1970, an MA in Religion from The Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary (Philadelphia, PA) in 1972, a second MA in History from Temple University (Philadelphia, PA), after which he earned his Doctor of Philosophy (with distinction) in 1976.

In 1970, he married Kathryn Godfrey Edens of Landover Hills, Maryland.

Bill was ordained a Baptist minister in 1971, an elder in the United Methodist Church in 1976, and he carried recognition in the Wesleyan Church for many years. Throughout his life, he delighted serving as a pastor in Baptist and United Methodist churches in Texas, Pennsylvania, Washington, DC, New York and Nova Scotia.

The author of over 40 books and numerous other publications, Bill was a distinguished and prolific scholar in the fields of Baptist Studies Post-Reformation Theology and Ethics, including Anabaptist Studies and the Radical Reformation. He made contributions in the areas of Human Rights and Global Ethics from a Free Church perspective. He served in numerous academic and administrative roles in his long career, including as Assistant Professor at Houghton College in Houghton, NY, Associate Professor of Church History at Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, NY, Executive Director of the American Baptist Historical Society in Rochester, NY, Archivist of the American Baptist Churches USA in Valley Forge, PA, Vice President and Dean, and Professor of History of Christianity at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, PA, Principal and Dean of Theology at McMaster Divinity College, McMaster University, in Hamilton, ON (1989-2000), Chair of the Department of Religion and Professor of Religion at Baylor University in Waco, TX (2000-2006), Distinguished Professor and the first occupant of The Millard R. Cherry Chair in Christian Theology and Ethics at Acadia Divinity College, Acadia University, in Wolfville, NS (2006-2017), where he was named Professor



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Emeritus, and the Pioneer MacDonald Professor of Baptist Theology and Ethics at Carey Theological College, University of British Columbia, in Vancouver, BC (2017-2019).

He was honored as a Research Fellow at several international institutions and served on the national boards and committees of the Canadian Council of Churches, the Churches Council on Theological Education, the Canadian Bible Society, the Baptist World Alliance (BWA), InterVarsity Canada and the Interfaith and Spirituality Network of Nova Scotia. Bill was a beloved professor and mentor who shaped the lives and careers of countless students across the world. His graduate students include professors and deans at colleges and theological schools, missionaries and pastors in various denominations and he mentored over thirty doctoral theses and dissertations.

Both personally and professionally, Bill was an avid traveller who relished learning about local cultures and history and exploring them with others. Closer to home, he enjoyed spending time at the family cottage on the Bay of Fundy shore and his hobbies such as driving his 1948 Ford N tractor, keeping current on world events, enjoying classic movies as well as an interest in trains and model railroads. Bill was a passionate student of his family's histories and undertook a decades-long labour of love compiling detailed genealogies that he published for his loved ones to treasure and share in the years to come.

The family extends their heartfelt thanks to the nurses and staff of the Valley Regional Hospital in Kentville, NS and the Victoria General and Queen Elizabeth II Hospitals in Halifax, NS, with special gratitude to Dr. Melissa Broaders, Dr. Michael Mulherin, Dr. Jack Rasmussen and Dr. Robert Raskin, who provided Bill with such compassionate care in his final days. The funeral service will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2022 in Wolfville Baptist Church, 487 Main Street, Wolfville, NS, B4P 1E3. Memorial donations may be made to the Wolfville Area Food Bank, the Wolfville Baptist Church Deacons Discretionary Fund or a charity of your choice. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the White Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Kentville.

<https://www.whitefamilyfuneralhome.com/obituaries/166296>

REV. HOWARD McCORMICK

Rev. Howard Eugene McCormick—96—passed away on Wednesday, November 30, 2022 in Heart of the Valley Long Term Care Centre, Middleton. Born in Bear River, Howard was the eldest son of the late Ross Eugene McCormick and Pearle Marion (Coombs) McCormick. He was predeceased by his sister, Evelyn Gertrude; and brothers, Reverend Roland Keith and Gerald "Sonny" Arthur. He was predeceased by his first wife, Muriel Catherine (Nicholl) and second wife, Jean Phyllis (Dimock, Cogswell). He is survived by his daughter, Robin (Allan) Rogers; sons, David (Catherine), Christopher (Carla) and Carroll (Diane); as well as two stepsons, Tim (Pam) Dimock and Tom (Anne) Dimock. He had nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.



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He graduated from Toronto Bible College in 1949 and from Acadia Divinity College in 1957. Ordained in 1967, he served as Pastor of Churches of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches until he retired in 1991, often filling in as Interim Pastor when needed. He was given the title of Minister Emeritus from Pereaux and pastored in many churches in Nova Scotia, as well as pastored in Saskatoon. He was an avid fisherman, hunter and gardener. He loved to sing and was involved in many singing groups over the years.

The family would like to thank the staff at the Heart of the Valley Long Term Care Home and Annapolis Valley Home Care for their care and support over the years.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 10, 2022 in Pereaux Baptist Church, Pereaux. Reverend Doctor Mark Parent officiating. Interment will take place in Mount Hope Cemetery, Bear River at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory may be made to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to the White Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Kentville. On-line condolences and inquiries may be directed to www.whitefamilyfuneralhome.com.

<https://www.whitefamilyfuneralhome.com/obituaries/166706>

REV. ROBERT BAKER

Rev. Robert Baker—81—We are sad to announce the passing of our loved, Rev. Robert E. Baker on December 7th, 2022 at the Yarmouth Regional Hospital with his loving wife of 58 years by his side.

Bob was born on January 25, 1941 in Goobies, NFLD. Son of the late John and Mary (Avery) Baker. He was predeceased by sister, Juila Avery, brother, Nicholas. Left to mourn his passing are his wife, Sylvia and son, Rob; sisters, Louise, Pearl, Sadie, Sylvia, Eileen; many nieces and nephews. While serving in his church he was ordained in 1964. B.T.H in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts BA. He graduated from Acadia Divinity College in 1989 with Bachelor of theology. Bob served in Pastorates, in NFLD, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick. He was an avid reader, loved talking to people, loved to visit and loved to preach. He was a big fan of the WWE Wrestling.

Visitation will be April 21st, 2023 from 6-8 p.m. in the Sweeny's Funeral Home Chapel. A Memorial Service will be from Temple Baptist Church April 22nd, 2023 at 2 p.m. with Rev. A.D. Bill Newell and Rev. Raymond Pitcher officiating. Burial will be Yarmouth Mountain Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Friends of Gilles Boudreau Cancer Help Fund. The family would like to thank, Rev. Raymond Pitcher, Rev. Robert Gates and Rev. A.D. Bill Newell for their visits and comforting words. Thank you to Janet and Lisa for being there for us, we wouldn't have gotten through without you. Special thank you to Sweeny's Funeral Home and Crematorium, Charles MacIsaac and Kim Boudreau.



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“Well done thou good and faithful servant, thou have been faithful over a few things I will make thee ruler of many things enter thou into the joy of the Lord till we meet again”

<https://memorials.sweenysfuneralhome.net/robert-baker/5090808/obituary.php>

REV. ROBERT LABOUNTY

Rev. Robert S. Labounty—84—Passed away peacefully at his residence on Monday, December 12, 2022.

Robert was a case manager for the Massachusetts Association for the Adult Blind in the Boston area. He pastored churches in Sutton and Mansonville QC for several years and then several in Lyndon Centre Vermont, USA and in Riverview NB and ended his career working for CNIB in Saint John, NB. He was a graduate of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Hamilton, Mass. Robert had a great love of the outdoor and took part in many activities for fun exercise and adventure: swimming, skating, snow skiing, water skiing, fishing, sailing, peddling hard on our tandem bicycle, hiking, running, and mountain climbing. He loved music, playing harmonica, listening to CDs, everything from folk songs to grand opera and especially Ivan and Vivian Hicks and their fiddling friends. Singing hymns and praising the lord for his goodness and the blessing of salvation was his great delight.

Born in Fall River, Mass, USA, he was the son of the late Frank Labounty and the late Imelda Nadeau.

Robert will be sadly missed by his wife: Lenore Labounty (Gustafson); his sons: Richard of Virginia, USA and Daniel (Virginia) of Israel; his grandchildren: Noam, Natan and Nava; his brothers: Frank (Eva) of Florida, USA and Kenneth (Connie) of Mass, USA; also by several nieces and nephews.

Visitation and celebration will remain the same. Visitation will be held at Passage funeral chapel, 625 Mountain Rd., Moncton, on Saturday, December 17, 2022, from 1 PM until time of celebration of life at 2 PM at the chapel.

In his memory, a donation can be made to The Seeing Eye Inc., 1 Seeing Eye Wy, Morristown, NJ 07960, United States, from where he trained with 6 of his dogs.

Thank you to the extra-mural nurses for their compassion, faithfulness, and professionalism.

The family invites you to sign an online book of condolences and see the funeral later in the day at: www.funerairepassagefuneral.ca.

Arrangements under the professional care of Passage Funeral Co-operative and Cremation Center.

<https://funerairepassagefuneral.ca/en/robert-labounty/>