



Rankin, Joan Ann

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Joan Ann Rankin, 73, of South West Margaree on July 11th, 2020. Born in Rotterdam, Holland to Constance and Harry Schroder, she emigrated to Canada in 1957 and settled in Ottawa, Ontario. She moved to Cape Breton in 1974 with her husband and three children where she remained in her beloved Margaree until her death. In her early years she studied ballet, learned many crafts including sewing, knitting, crochet and all types of needlework. In her later years she was a talented miniaturist and was acknowledged by the International Guild of Miniature Artisans for her baskets. She excelled at her many other interests including gardening, scrap booking, genealogy and the study of the Neolithic Bronze Age. She was a private, fiercely independent, no nonsense feisty spirit and will be greatly missed by her family. She is survived by her daughters Liann Rankin Gillis (Robert), Dione Rankin, grandchildren Bryanna, Kiara, Julia, Anthony, great grandson Cameron, dear friend Robert Tompkins and son David. There will be a private family burial. Special thanks to the incredible Palliative Care Team, her home care nurse Jean and all the wonderful nurses during her final illness. Donations may be made to the Central Inverness County Palliative Care Society. Online Condolences: www.sunsetfuneralco-op.com