

MACLEAN, Nancy (Ann Phyllis)

It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of Nancy (Ann Phyllis) MacLean's passing on September 2, 2020.



Nancy was born and raised in Lower Washbuck, NS, a place she loved dearly. As a teacher, her life took her to Toronto where she married and had her children. Baddeck, NS, became her home later in life where she was an active member of the community. It was an ideal place to admire the hills of Washabuck.

Nancy is survived by her son Lauren (Edmonton), wife Christine and their sons Ewan and Finn; her daughter Carla (Toronto), husband Darren Frost and their daughters Mackenzie and Sarah; brothers and sisters and many close cousins, nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her mother Elizabeth MacNeil (MacLean), her grandmother Ellie Ann MacLean and her husband of 13 years, Carleton MacNeil.

We want to express our heartfelt thanks to Nancy's siblings Lex MacNeil (Kelly Simmons), Elaine Lynch (Denny), Monty MacNeil (Lee Lynch), and Dolores MacNeil (Mark Childs) for their ongoing love and support.

Our deepest gratitude goes to the caring team at MacLeod House and the nurses, doctors and support staff at VGMH in Baddeck.

A special thanks to Mom's best friend Carmie MacLean and cousins Rosaire Jenkins and Michele Matheson for their devotion to Mom over the last year.

Other than her children and grandchildren, Nancy was most proud of the Baddeck Gathering Ceilidhs. She started the ceilidhs in 1999 to share her love of traditional Cape Breton fiddle music and dance, and it cleverly allowed her to hear live music every night. No one was on the road more often than Nancy to hear new and established players whether in Glencoe, Mabou, Inverness or Cheticamp.

Nancy also loved and supported Cape Breton's L'Arche community where she worked for several winters, and was a loyal member of the Liberal Party.

Due to COVID-19, services and life celebrations will be postponed until family can safely travel to be together.

We know Nancy will be remembered for her love of Cape Breton fiddle music and all she did to support and share the wonderful traditions of Celtic culture. To continue her mission, we have created the Nancy MacLean Bursary to provide scholarships for youth enrolling in music and dance programs at The Gaelic College. If you are motivated to join us in memorializing Nancy in this endeavor, visit the Gaelic College Foundation page at CanadaHelps.org. Please be sure to mention Nancy MacLean in the message section. Arrangements for the late Nancy Maclean have been entrusted to Sunset Funeral Cooperative, Margaree Valley. Online condolence: www.sunsetfuneralco-op.com