

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

*ALICE
FRANCES
(CROWDIS)
MARPLE*



It is with heavy hearts that we announce our beloved Mom, Alice Frances (Crowdis) Marple age 100 of North East Margaree, passed away on July 19, 2026 at Inverness Consolidated Memorial Hospital surrounded by her family.

Born on July 8, 1926 to the late Frank and Hazel (Ross) Crowdis, Alice was the last remaining member of her immediate family.

Alice was predeceased by her husband of 65 years, Richard; her infant son, Emerson Frank; sisters, Margaret and Elizabeth Rose (Rosie): and her brother, John Edward.

She is survived by her children, Milton (Bernardine), North East Margaree; Brenda (Lloyd) Ingraham, Margaree Centre; Basil (Colleen), Boucherville, Quebec; Marlene (Alfred) Gallant, North East Margaree and Ken, Toronto Ont; grandchildren, Brendan (Danielle), Amber (Trevor), Kim (Jasen), Cyndi (Greg), Jody (Elvis), Tanya (Tamer), Sandra (Eric), Kevin (Angela), David (Michaela), Evan, Susan (Tim) and Stephen; 20 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by her fur baby, her cat Sparky, who always, without fail, brought a smile to her face.

Mom was a wonderful Mother and Nan, she had a way of making each one of us feel special. She was happiest when the little ones were visiting and she could get a hug from them.

Alice was a member of Wilson United Church, Margaree Centre and a lifelong member of the UCW (United Church Women) Group.

She worked for Statistics Canada for 15 years, was a cook at the Normaway Inn and also worked at the Cape Breton Heritage Museum, where she perfected her weaving skills. Mom's abilities were many and varied. She was a seamstress, a baker (her blueberry pie and oatcakes were favorites) and an accomplished artist (her paintings can be found across the country). Never shy to try a new craft, she took a woodworking class and tried tole painting more than once. Mom rarely sat without some type of handiwork in her hand and passed her "free" time knitting, quilting, crocheting and embroidering.

Mom had a green thumb and took great pride in her vegetable garden and pleasure tending her flowers both indoors and out.

The family would like to give a heartfelt thanks to Patricia Ghattas, who gave Mom tender loving care these past few months, and to the doctors, nurses and support staff at Inverness Consolidated Memorial Hospital for their professionalism and care of Mom during her short illness and their kindness and care to the family, which made a difficult time easier. We also want to express our thanks to Marlene and Alfred, who moved in with Mom 12 years ago. Their care and support to Mom made it possible for her to remain in her home and gave all of us peace of mind knowing that Mom was well cared for.

Visitation for the late Alice Frances Marple will be held Friday, August 21, 2026 between 7: p.m. and 9:00 p.m. in Wilson United Church Hall, Margaree Centre. Funeral service to celebrate the life of Alice Frances Marple will be held on Saturday, August 22 at 2:00 p.m. in Wilson United Church with Rev. Alicia Cox officiating. Interment will take place in the Congregational Cemetery, Margaree Centre. Family flowers only. Donations in memory of Alice may be made to Wilson United Church or a charity of choice. Funeral arrangements are under the care and direction of sunset Funeral Co-op, Margaree Valley.