

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

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"LONNIE"
ALISTER
DOWE*



It is with deep sadness that the family of Lawrence "Lonnie" Alister Dowe of Nyanza announce his passing on October 6, 2026, at the age of 88. Born on May 15, 1938, in Glace Bay, Lonnie was the son of the late Norris and Margaret (MacIntyre) Dowe.

Lonnie is survived by Yvonne (Egan), his devoted wife of 68 years; his children, GERALYN (Hughie) Dowe-MacEachern and Kevin (Annabelle) Dowe; and his loving grandchildren, Kathlene (Stephen) Farrell-Perry, Megan Farrell (Garrett), Cordell Dowe (Amy), Mitchel (Charly) Dowe and his pride and joy Lynden Perry, great-grandson. Being a lover of dogs, he will be missed by his cherished companions Hailey, Tika, and Sally. He is also survived by his sister, Anne (Ray) Lawrence; his brother, Daniel (Diane) Dowe; and his sisters-in-law, Betsy (Joe), Betty and Gina, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Lonnie was predeceased by his siblings Doris (Wayne Farrell), Audrey, Norris, Jack, and Kevin, and closest friends Leo Simmons and John Golemieci.

Lonnie served his community as a police officer for 32 years. He retired as an Inspector in 1995, having served with the Town of Glace Bay. His commitment to children and community was reflected in his organization of a special day at the Bill Lynch Show for children with disabilities in Glace Bay, as well as in his volunteer work as a minor hockey coach and with the Police Boys and Girls Club of Glace Bay.

Lonnie was a Shriner and a member of Thistle Lodge in Port Morien, where he served as treasurer for many years. Following their retirement, he and Yvonne moved to Nyanza. There, he continued his lifelong tradition of service as president of the Middle Rivers

Seniors Club for 20 years. He became well known for selling tickets and leading fundraising efforts in support of the club and the community.

Lonnie also served on the boards of directors of Victoria Co-op and Victoria Memorial Hospital. He loved to garden and took great pride in his flower and vegetables gardens each summer. In his younger years, he enjoyed camping, hunting and fishing with family and friends, as well as boating on the Bras d'Or Lakes.

Lonnie will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his many years of public and community service, and his generous willingness to lend a hand. His legacy of service, friendship, and love will live on in all who knew him.

The funeral service will take place 11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 10, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, 511 Chebucto Street, Baddeck. Visitation will be held at the church for one hour before the service, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Following the service, a reception will be held at St. Michael's Parish Hall.