IN LOVING MEMORY OF



ELAINE HARRIET LEBLANC

(December 18,1948- November 2, 2026)

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved sister, aunt, and cherished friend, Elaine LeBlanc, on November 2, 2026, at the Sacred Heart Hospital, in Cheticamp, Nova Scotia. She was predeceased by her parents Francis and Adelaide, her sister Noella, brother Edward and sister-in-law Linda, brother Leonel, and brother-in- law Robert.

She is lovingly remembered by her surviving family members: Anita (Robert – deceased) Hannigan, Margaret (Leonel-deceased) LeBlanc, Ruth (Edward- deceased) Watts, Richard (Yvonne) LeBlanc, George (Mary Frances) LeBlanc, Paul (Carol) LeBlanc, Laura (Donald) McLennan, and Mark (Cecilia) LeBlanc along with many nieces, nephews, grand nieces, and grand nephews.

Elaine was born in Cheticamp and raised in the neighbouring village of Belle Cote. Growing up in a large family, in a rural area, Elaine learned the art of caring and giving while maintaining a fierce sense of spirit and independence. She lived in Cape Breton her entire life and contributed in countless ways to the welfare of her family and community.

Upon graduation from high school, Elaine attended Saint Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia where she completed her Bachelor of Education degree. During her 35-year career as an elementary school teacher she taught in Belle Cote, Creignish, and Port Hawkesbury she specialized in teaching French Immersion. Elaine was a gifted teacher who was well loved by her students and respected by her colleagues. Elaine went above and beyond to inspire and care for those she touched, particularly those less fortunate and those in need of encouragement.

Personally, Elaine loved nature and simple joys like ‘blueberry picking’, completing the weekly crossword puzzle on Sunday mornings, playing the card game ‘200’ with her girlfriends, working on a jigsaw puzzle, and taking part in kitchen parties, avec ‘un p’tit coup’. She was extremely creative and devoted to her Acadian culture; a gifted singer, quilter, gardener, and cook. For years she was a proud member of the Acadian chorale in Cheticamp sharing her beautiful, strong alto voice at numerous performances. The creation of her own archive of favorite Acadian French songs and her work on heirloom quilts will continue to be cherished as part of her enduring legacy. We carry memories of her beautiful garden grown flowers that graced many a family table, and her flair for Acadian cooking-especially, ‘pâté’ and ‘fricot’. These are but a few of the many gifts she shared generously with family, friends, and community.

In lieu of a funeral Elaine requested that we have a Celebration of Life. To include as many members of the family as possible the event will be held in conjunction with the annual family reunion July 2027.

The family extends its heartfelt gratitude to the health care professionals who cared for and supported Elaine. In her memory, donations can be made to The Sacred Heart Community Health Centre Palliative Care Team or to the Belle Cote Community Centre. Online expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family via Sunset Funeral Co-op: www.sunsetfuneralco-op.com

The Life Story Obituary Sample

[*He/She/They*] [*was/were*] born in [*city*] in [*year of birth*] to [*parents' names*], who [*insert what your loved one remembered most about their parents and/or interactions with them*]. [*Insert a few childhood memories here; they could be about school, childhood friends, vacations, hardships, etc.*]. [*Pronoun/Name*] attended [*middle/high school*] before [*"studying (major) at (university name)," "going to work at (workplace name)," "joining (military branch)," etc.*]. [*Elaborate on why this was important to them, or how it impacted their life*]

ADD A PARAGRAPH FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DETAILS YOU MAY WISH TO HIGHLIGHT:

1. SPOUSE – [*First name*] met the love of their life, [*spouse's name*] in [*year*] [*at/while*] [*location/event*]. [*Insert a funny or heart-warming story of their early relationship.*] Excited to start their new lives together, the two were married [*date/location*].

2. CHILDREN – [*First name*] and [*partner's first name*] couldn't wait to start a family of their own, and their children meant the world to them. [*Insert children's names and/or happy family memories*]

3. GRANDCHILDREN – Though [*he/she/they*] loved [*activity*], [*activity*], and [*activity*], [*First Name*]'s favorite role was that as a grandparent. [*He/she/they*] treasured their time with their grandkids and loved being their [*grandparent nickname*], never failing to [*tradition/habit*] or [*tradition/habit*]. [*Insert a favorite story here.*]

4. PETS – [*First name*] had a soft spot for their furry friends, treating each and every one like the valuable family member they were. [*Insert story about a beloved pet here.*]

5. FRIENDS – [*First name*] and [*her/his/their*] friends were practically inseparable throughout their lives. From [*activity/memory*] to [*activity/memory*], they were together through it all. [*Include another favorite story or two here.*]

6. JOB – [*First name*] was passionate about [*her/his/their role*] as [*job title*] at [*company name*]. Working for the company for [*# of years*], [*insert memory here*].

7. CHURCH/COMMUNITY GROUP – [*First name*] was an active member of [*church/group name*], devoting their time and energy to [*organization goal*].

8. HOBBIES – Everyone who knew [*first name*] knew how much [*she/he/they*] loved [*hobby*]. [*Insert favorite story about hobby here.*]

[*First name*] will always be remembered for [*her/his/their*] [*specific quality*] and the way that they [*always did something specific*]. We'll always imagine hearing them say "[*catchphrase they're most known for*]" one more time. We couldn't have asked for a better [*parent/grandparent/sibling/etc.*], and will miss *[first name*] every day. [*Her/his/their*] memory will live on in the hearts of all those who loved [*her/him/them*].

[*First Name*] was preceded in death by [*name(s)/family members*], and is survived by [*name(s)/family members*].

[*1st service name/type*] is [*date of service #1*] at [*location of service #1*], and the [*2nd service name/type*] is [*date of service #2*] at *[location of service #2*]. Donations to [*charity name*] would be greatly appreciated.