



Colin Turner Fowlie

August 25, 2023

Fowlie, Colin Turner, 1952-10-29 to 2023-08-25, aged 70. Beloved husband of Teresa (nee Haas), adored father of Jennifer (Li) Fowlie-Kirkwood of Scarborough, ON, grandfather to cherished Starlet and Eva, brother of Michael (Christine) of Gatineau, PQ, predeceased by parents John and Joan. Colin passed peacefully with his family at his side.

Born in Scotland, Colin immigrated to Canada in 1960. In Ottawa, with partner Stephen Clayton, Colin founded Foton General Contractors. Colin built many award winning custom homes and was recognized for many prodigious renovations including those to private homes, foreign embassies, government and Elizabeth Fry Society buildings. Colin served with the OCHBA. Colin and Teresa moved to Nova Scotia in 2001.

His favourite project management job was a community project, Tatamagouche Creamery Square. Recognized as a best practices project by the Province of Nova Scotia, it was a multi-phase, multi-year, truly altruistic endeavour that continues to serve the community well.

He was a man with a big heart, a warm and ready cheeky smile, a wonderful quick wit and a generous soul. He loved his granddaughters dearly and was so grateful for their summer visits. He loved their beach days - finding treasures and building hermit crab havens - their teaching him directions, playing cards, sharing jokes and tricks, learning all about iPads, but most of all, hearing their laughter, feeling and sharing their love.

He loved teaching our daughter Jen many aspects of home renovations and tool use. He was so proud of her; she's a strong, intelligent and capable woman. He so enjoyed the summer they built waterfalls by the pond. Then the time they laid floor tiles; Jen mistakenly walked over them a few times before the mortar set; then Teresa repeated the same foible. Laughter and love ensued.

We miss you dearly my sweet love, you were such a kind, even tempered soul and as we always said, we will see you on the other side.

Colin is fondly remembered by many in-laws, nieces and nephews, extended family and friends. A family service will be held at a later date.

Thank you to family and such wonderful friends and colleagues for their

support, love and caring during this difficult time.

Special thanks for the compassionate care given to Colin and family by the emergency staff in Truro and the medical team and ICU staff at the VG in Halifax.

Colin had many blood transfusions during his care and was grateful to the so many donors. Please consider becoming a blood donor. <https://myaccount.blood.ca/donate>

Donations in Colin's memory to the QE II Foundation, CEHHC Foundation or Feed Nova Scotia, would be most appreciated.

You know the night's magic seems to whisper and hush
You know the soft moonlight seems to shine in your blush

Can I just have one more moondance with you, my love?

Van Morrison

Tribute Wall

CH

“ Colin and I were good friends in our teenage years in Manor Park. Mike was also a close buddy of mine. But Colin, Paul MacDonald - who has also died recently - and I were very close. We went to Europe together in September of 1970 and shared in our "Moroccan Adventure". When we returned to Ottawa, we still saw each other but, as is often the case with life, the three of us began to move in different directions. I will always remember Coliin's wild, curly hair and his laugh that always made him look like he was stoned! I don't think I spoke with Colin again after 1971. It was Paul MacDonald who alerted me to his passing. Reading his obituary, I was very impressed to learn of his talents as a home builder but I recall how he and Mike built the deck at their parent's home in Manor Park. I always thought it was a work of art, so I'm not surprised that he went on to have a remarkable career in the building industry.

Chris Henry - April 30, 2025 at 11:30 PM

EF

“ Although I only met Colin when he and Teresa moved next door to me last summer, I could tell immediately that he would be a good neighbour. I enjoyed and will certainly miss our chats over the hedge. my condolences to Teresa, Jennifer and all of the family.

Esther

Esther Fullerton - September 28, 2023 at 07:31 PM

GL

“ We are so very sad about the loss of Colin and extend our sincere condolences to his family. We had many fun visits to their home in Fox Harbour and loved the bbqs he always did. Also enjoyed following the progress as he developed the Tatamagouche Creamery. I also fondly remember the battles on the Squash Courts which we could never agree upon about who won. RIP Colin.

garfield langille - September 15, 2023 at 02:40 PM

CF

I was so saddened by the loss of Colin. With my deepest condolences, I wish you Teresa, Jen, Michael, and all who loved him, strength and healing. Sending prayers and thinking of you in this time of grief.

Christine Fowlie - September 16, 2023 at 11:45 AM

NH

Teresa, Jen and family.

*We are so sorry for your loss.
Colin was a very successful individual, no matter what he tackled.
Successful in his career, his family and life. We never saw him without a smile on his face. He always took the gentler approach to solving issues. It is so sad that his granddaughters will not share a little more of his kind gentleness.*

We are thinking of all of you during this difficult time. As we sit here in the Rockies, I'm sure we saw someone dancing in the moonlight.

Nick and Ann

Nick Haas - September 17, 2023 at 01:23 PM

JM

I have known Colin for 50 years and I can't remember ever having a disagreement. . From his time in Manor Park, to his apartments in Sandy Hill (he met Theresa around this time) to his house in Carp and then his move to Nova Scotia, we kept up our friendship over cold beers and warm wines and great music.

There is a hole in my life where he once stood but always I'll remember the fun we had and the conversations about the state of the world and the state of our golf game. As always Colin, I'll be seeing you.

John MacDonald - September 18, 2023 at 08:39 AM