



John Edward Connolly

June 29, 1962 - October 13, 2025

Connolly, John Edward

Age 63, of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, passed away suddenly at home on October 13, 2025.

Born in Halifax and raised in Dartmouth, John attended Dartmouth High School and Saint Mary's University. He worked for Canada Post (retired) and was a proud and longtime member of the Dartmouth Boys Drum & Pipe Band (now Dartmouth and District)

John is survived by his sister Cathy; nieces and nephews Karen, Michael, Jaxon, Kyla, Nick, Sophie, Mikhale, Sean, and David; and his son, Matthew (estranged). He was predeceased by his parents Marg and Edward ("Ned") Connolly; sisters Marie, Peggy, and Janet; and his son Ryan.

Please consider a donation, in his name, to the Mental Health Foundation of Nova Scotia or the Dartmouth & District Pipe and Drum Band.

Tribute Wall

HS

“ John was a wonderful and giving person . I am truly sorry for the loss. I reconnected with him in January 2022 and stopped by frequently to help him in any way.

Heidi Aunins

heidi aunj s - May 02 at 07:40 PM

SM

“ A great man so sorry for your loss ❤️

Shawn MacDonald - October 24, 2025 at 08:05 PM



Thank you Shawn <3

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:03 AM

CP

“ Hi Cathy.. just found out today from Allie of John's passing. I am so sorry to hear this and realize this must be a very difficult time for you and the family. Our heartfelt and deepest condolences to you all.
Colline and Dave

Colline Perrier - October 24, 2025 at 04:49 PM



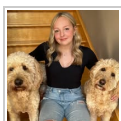
Thank you Colline and Dave <3

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:06 AM

HG

“ So sorry to hear of fellow drummer John's passing. So many memories of my Pipe band days hanging out with the Dartmouth & District band members. My condolences to his family.

Heather Duffus Gayler - October 18, 2025 at 08:37 PM



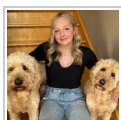
Thank you Heather, my brother so enjoyed his years with the band. We will miss him.

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:08 AM

DC

“ ‘So sorry to hear about this. Our memories of John go back to the 1970s as a friendly and very capable young drummer in the Dartmouth Boys/ Dartmouth & District Pipe Band. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Cathy and the family at this time. Rest in peace, John. — Dave & Betsy Coleman

David Coleman - October 18, 2025 at 04:24 PM



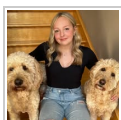
Thank you Dave,...Cathy.

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:12 AM

AN

“ So very sorry for your loss. Thinking of you all.
Annie(MacDonald) Penney

Annie - October 18, 2025 at 12:10 PM



thank you Annie.

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:14 AM

SN

“ Dear Cathy, I'm so very sorry for your loss. John was a good guy. Condolences to the kids and your entire family.

Sandi Norman - October 17, 2025 at 04:04 PM



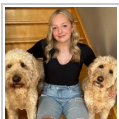
Thanks Sandi, we will miss him.

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:15 AM

SM

“ Dear Cathy,
I was so sorry to hear about Johns passing. It truly is a tremendous loss. Your family has been so wonderful and supportive to our family over the years. Always a warm and kind wonderful place to stay with lots of laughs and endless support.
Your mother and John have been especially good to me at various times in my life, I wouldn't know where to start. John was a good son and brother, father cousin and friend. Please know that we are all with you and would do anything for you.
Reach out if you'd like to talk.
Sending you lots of love and support.
The family of Lloyd and Winnie MacDonald

Sandi MacDonald Morrison - October 17, 2025 at 01:55 PM



Thanks Sandi, my mom loved you like one of her own and so enjoyed your company. Our families will always be connected. John is with the Connolly/MacDonald clan in Heaven and Lloyd is trying to figure out how to incorporate a snare drum into the kitchen party,<3

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:22 AM

SH

“ *Cathy, akyla, Nick and family. I am so deeply sorry to hear about the loss of John. My deepest and heart felt condolences to you all at this difficult time , sherette and Mike and Family*

Sherette - October 17, 2025 at 01:32 PM



Thank you Sherette and Mike, I know our Heavenly Father welcomed John with open arms and he is now at peace.

Cathy Connolly - October 27, 2025 at 12:27 AM