



## Lola Belle Gladwin

December 29, 1931 - March 4, 2025

Gladwin (Hamilton), Lola Belle

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Lola was born in Hampton, Nova Scotia on Dec 29, 1931; the 2nd of six children to Alice (Longmire) & Wilfred Hamilton, of Hampton, Nova Scotia.

Lola schooled in Hampton and at the age of 17, left to work for Maritime Tel & Tel. In her role as Chief Operator and Instructress, she travelled to many rural communities along the South Shore as well as the Annapolis Valley before ending her career after 19 years working on North Street in Halifax.

While boarding with her Aunt in Waverley, she attended church one Sunday morning, and caught the eye of a young man who was attending church with his Mother.

Harold introduced Lola to his family and forever friendships were formed. They dated for several years before exchanging vows on August 23, 1958 under the altar at their newly purchased waterfront property on Lake Thomas in Waverley.

They wanted to have a family, and applied to adopt. Their wish was granted in

March, 1969 with the birth of Jayne Elsie. Together, the threesome enjoyed travelling together with trips to England, Spain, France, Italy, Switzerland, Jamaica; as well as repeated trips to Barbados & Hawaii, and many stays in Florida, which they loved so much. Lola returned to work part-time when Jayne was in elementary school, working as Receptionist for Nova Scotia Building Supplies until the company ceased operations. Upon Harold's retirement in 1990, they started wintering in Florida, exploring both Florida coastlines, finally settling into the inter-coastal community of Stuart, Florida. Lola & Harold enjoyed hosting visitors while also meeting other couples, many of whom also became lifelong friendships. In 1992, Jayne married Stephen Green, of Halifax, and work began to transform the Hall Road home to include an in-law suite where they all resided together for the next 20 years. In 2001 Lola & Harold welcomed their first grandchild, Liam, and in 2004, granddaughter Chelsea. Having grandkids kept them young at heart and they all benefitted from providing built-in babysitting services, caring for their grandchildren while Stephen and Jayne both worked shift work full time. At the age of 80, Lola was diagnosed with breast cancer. She underwent radiation treatments and continued to have good health for many years. Just before losing Harold in October, 2022, Lola's cognitive decline & memory loss became significant and she was formally diagnosed with Dementia/Alzheimers. Jayne moved back to Hall Road to be with & provide care for her Mom. Up until this point, Lola spent her days outside as often as she could, taking long walks, working in the yard, planting flowers, raking leaves, soaking up the sun & enjoying the peaceful tranquility & lakeside view. She also had a passion for thrifting, always searching for that special must-have nugget or treasure on her regular stops.

After a series of falls & the progression of her cognitive decline, Lola became a resident of Parkstone Enhanced Care in Halifax in January, 2024. It was just before her 93rd birthday there were signs that Lola's cancer had returned. Her decline in health was swift & sudden. True to her mothering style until her last

day, Lola refused to burden Jayne with being witness to her passing, choosing instead to slip away less than an hour after Jayne left her bedside for the night.

Lola is survived by her daughter Jayne Gladwin-Green & son-in-law Stephen Green, grandson Liam and granddaughter Chelsea (Travis), all of Waverley; Godson Stewart Adams (Lynn) of Windsor Junction; brother Carl (Dorothy) Hamilton, sister Carol Ann (Wayne) Forrest, along with many nieces & nephews, both grand & great.

The family wishes to acknowledge Harold's niece, Anne Murray, who dedicated a lot of her time taking Mom on walks, road trips and also shared & encouraged Mom's love of nature and flair for unique style & vintage decor.

Besides her parents & her husband Harold, Lola was predeceased by sisters Gladys Barrette, Norma (Bill) Campbell & Barbara (Peter) Grant.

There are no words to describe the immeasurable gratitude the family has for the kindness, compassion, care & friendship received from the wonderful staff & fellow residents from Mount Lane at Parkstone Enhanced Care.

In keeping with her wishes, there will be no service. Cremation will take place and her ashes will be spread alongside Harold's on their lakefront property in Waverley.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

"I love you more"

# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ I would like to send our condolences, Mona and Art always had great memories to share about Harold and Lola. And any visit was a warm occasion.  
Mona also lives with dementia in Annapolis nursing home now ,but I know she would send her love if she were able.  
Thinking of you all, Jean Goudreault .

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**jean johnston** - March 31, 2025 at 12:58 PM

JG

“ 15 files added to the album Lola



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**Jayne Gladwin-Green** - March 10, 2025 at 02:57 PM

BN

*My beautiful friend Lola. You will always be in my heart . You were a true , kind, loving , supportive friend to me. Especially after my husband Jim died. You were my ROCK of love & support . Your sweet laugh I will miss soo very much . I told you often of the inspiration you were to me and that I was blessed to have you in my life . ☐. You are very very much missed . I believe in my heart we will see each other again in a most Wonderful place . Love you always ☐*

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**Brenda Mac Nutt** - March 10, 2025 at 08:38 PM

BG

“ *Lola, A.K.A. Sweetpea , you will always be remembered as a lifelong family friend and one of the golden girls along with my mom Shirley who will miss you dearly, and no one will ever forget that special trip we shared in Barbados. Rest in Peace  
Brenda and Gary*

**Brenda and Gary** - March 08, 2025 at 11:44 AM

SF

“ *Sincerely Effie and family! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lola Belle Gladwin.*

**Sincerely Effie and family!** - March 08, 2025 at 09:43 AM

SF

“ *Sincerely Effie and family! purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Lola Belle Gladwin.*



**Sincerely Effie and family!** - March 08, 2025 at 09:43 AM

MZ

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Lola over 10 years ago when I became Jayne & Stephen’s neighbour-friend. She always greeted me with the biggest smile and warmest hug. I regularly passed her driving through Sackville and it always made me chuckle because I knew she’d later return with the most unique treasures. Her love for Jayne and Stephen and her grandkids was immense and evident every time she saw them or talked about them. She always greeted me with a hug and never failed to ask about Noah or my parents. She was sweet and caring and kind and had a mischievous smile and laugh I will truly miss. Love and condolences to you Jayne, Stephen, Liam and Chelsea. ❤️ Michelle & Noah

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**Michelle Zinck** - March 08, 2025 at 06:16 AM

JK

“ Always a shining light. Whenever she had a visit with us, she was always so positive and caring. Blessings to all. May she live on in your memories and tales. Bruce and Jean

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**Jean and Bruce King** - March 08, 2025 at 06:01 AM

RM

“ Lola had the best smile. Just hope we can keep active like she did in her older age.

*Janine and Bob*

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**Robert Murray** - March 08, 2025 at 05:23 AM

RK

“ Our condolences to Lola’s family you are in our prayers. Rodger and Arlene Mac Kenzie

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**Rodger and Arlene Mac Kenzie** - March 07, 2025 at 09:19 AM