



Stella Jeanette Doiron (née Melanson)

July 13, 1939 - December 29, 2025

Doiron (née Melanson) — Heaven gained a beautiful soul with the passing of our Mom, Nanny, Sister, Aunt, Cousin and Friend, Stella Jeanette Doiron. She crossed over peacefully at home in the presence of her beloved family on December 29, 2025, at the age of 86.

Mom was the daughter of the late William and Jane (Brine) Melanson. She was born on July 13, 1939 in River Hebert, NS. The family eventually moved to Amherst, NS. She attended nursing school at Hôtel-Dieu Hospital, Moncton, NB. Her career path as an RN led her to Campbellton, NB; Ottawa, ON; and Canso, NS. She and Dad primarily raised their family in Canso before moving to Halifax, then Amherst, where she lived with and was lovingly cared for by her son Brian.

There was never a lull in conversation when Mom was around. She had a way of filling every room with stories, laughter, and a warmth that made everyone feel at home. Simple pleasures mattered to her, from her morning coffee and time spent knitting or reading, to singing along with her favourite country music, especially Conway and Elvis, keeping up with the Blue Jays, and always having an open door for family and friends. Above all, she cherished time with her family, especially grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Mom will be deeply missed by her “two babies” (her boys), as she lovingly

called them; her pride and joy, sons Brian and Paul (Kelly); and all of her beloved grandchildren: Sara, Justin, Haley; step-grandsons: Tyler, Kyle, and their mom, Janet; great grandchildren Reese and Sutton. She is survived by her brother Allen (Toni), as well as many nieces and nephews who will miss her dearly, in particular her niece and close friend Gail. She is also survived by her brother-in-law Frank Doiron (Marilyn) of Charlos Cove, NS and sister-in-law Bertha Doiron of Truro, NS. Stella was predeceased by her husband, Russell Doiron; siblings Ralph, Mary, Fred, Leon, Bob and Anne; brother-in-law Tom, and sisters-in-law Doris, Irene, Alice and Nora; nieces Myrna and Cheryl; and by her husband Russell's siblings, Edmund and Kenneth, and sisters Shirley, Lorna and Rita.

Cremation has taken place. Mass will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church at 63 Church St., Amherst, NS on Saturday, February 7 at 11:00 am. Father Angus MacDougall officiating. Reception to follow immediately, in the adjacent Parish Hall. In Mom's memory, we invite you to share stories, memories and a few laughs. Mom's cremains will be buried with Dad's at a later date in the Amherst Catholic Cemetery.

To all those who contributed to Mom's health and well-being in recent years, we extend our heartfelt thanks and will be forever grateful to her personal caregivers and her health care team, including Dr. Janneke Gradstein and Cheryl Smith, NP.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Mom's memory to Cumberland County Hospice & Palliative Care Society via e-transfer: cchcps@gmail.com

Condolences may be shared with the family through Mom's obituary page or directly via email: StellaCondolences@gmail.com

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *condolences 🌸
some of my best memories was stella, nana and all of the siblings
together in charlos cove playing the fiddle and enjoying lobster
supper* ☐

josie pettipas - February 06 at 03:35 PM

DR

“ *So sorry for the loss of your mother. She was a lovely lady who will
be remembered by many.*

Doug Richard - February 04 at 07:57 PM

HT

“ *My sincere condolences Brian in th loss of your Mom, thoughts and
prayers are with you. Also thoughts and prayers to Alan, her
brother, during this difficult time. Helen Terfry*

Helen Terfry - January 31 at 09:13 AM

CC

“ *My condolences to all of Stella's family. Sending Thoughts and
Prayers.*

Cheryl Calder-McManaman - January 31 at 09:02 AM

LM

“ *Stella, you are an amazing mother, raising two fine gentleman,
Brian and Paul! It was many years ago I stepped into that house in
Canso to meet such a loving family. Your love and beautiful
memories will forever be remembered. God bless and keep your
laughter in heaven.*

Lisa McNiven - January 29 at 11:40 AM

ER

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of Stella's family. She used to babysit Ryan when he was small. She was a wonderful lady.*

Estella Ryan - January 28 at 05:51 PM

AC

“ *So sorry for the loss of your mother Brian. My thoughts and prayers are with you and family during this difficult time. Hugs to you all. ❤️*



Annie Mae Chiasson - January 28 at 04:56 PM

CN

“ *Oh dear I have stories but my favorite was at my wedding dance when Aunt Stella would keep asking Harvey Greencorn to play AchyBreakyHeart by Billy Ray S. After like the 10th time he came to me and said can you ask her to stop requesting that song I said leave her be she loves it and the drunker she got the more she asked for it. She was a beautiful woman I loved her and her choice in the song lol.*

Connie Newell - January 28 at 03:25 PM