



## Thelma Frances (Fox) Greenwood

March 30, 1937 - December 2, 2021

THELMA FRANCES (FOX) GREENWOOD, of Halifax, Nova Scotia

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Thelma on December 2, 2021. She was a loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, knew few limits on protecting those she loved, and could hold a grudge against those she felt wronged her or the people she loved. She was a generous woman of wide ranging intelligence and wit. Those who knew her will miss her sense of humour, her tenacity and her self-described “warrior’s heart”.

Thelma is survived by her daughter Kelly Lynne Greenwood, son-in-law Karl Penney, and her adored grandchildren, Kyle and Kira Penney. She rejoiced in their births, took great pride in their accomplishments, and loved being their “TuTu”. Thelma was a daughter of the late Mildred Jane (Hawes) and Sidney Wallace Fox. She was predeceased by her husband of 52 years, Joseph Carl Greenwood (Thelma considered him her most precious gift from God), by her sister Shirley Juanita Vaughan earlier this year, and by her brother George Gerald Fox. She is also survived by her nephews, Dr. Daniel Vaughan and Ted Vaughan, and by her niece Vicky Vaughan. Vicky was a tremendous support to Thelma in recent years, and they shared many outings, often

involving shopping and dining. Whenever they were together, there was always lots of laughter.

Thelma had fond memories of building a cottage at Porters Lake, and spending many summer weekends there swimming, boating and water skiing. She treasured the 21 winters she and Joe, and she alone for 5 winters after his passing, spent at their home in Clearwater, Florida. She made many incredible friends there, and gives a special shout out to Pat and Denny Gahs. She was a regular attendee at the annual Nova Scotia Picnic held in the area, and had the opportunity to travel from there to different parts of the US, and the Caribbean. Thelma also introduced many of her Florida friends to her home Province of Nova Scotia. Thelma especially treasured special holidays and cruises with Joe, Kelly, Karl, Kyle and Kira.

She read a lot and loved to dance. In her earlier years she bowled. After spending winters in Florida, she took up golf, being most proud of her hole-in-one. Swimming was a regular activity for many years: at the Stadacona Pool, in Porters Lake, at numerous beaches in Nova Scotia and around the world, at the Waegwoltic Club with Kelly and her cousins and later with Kyle and Kira, and at the pool in The Country Park in Florida where she was often up early for water aerobics sessions.

Thelma was a long standing member of CFB Halifax Curling Club, and part of the group which helped establish the Business Women's League there. Over the years she volunteered with the Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Canadian Cancer Society, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation as well as with Hospice at Northwood. Her long career was with the Department of National Defence, mostly at the Fleet School and the Civilian Personnel Office. She

maintained a special friendship with former co-workers, and Saturday morning breakfast with them was a long-standing ritual.

We extend a special thanks to the staff at V6 West at Camp Hill Veterans Long Term Care, to the Seniors Mental Health Team, to family physician Dr. Charlotte Calnen, and to the Alzheimer's Society.

Cremation arrangements are through Harbourside Regional Crematorium. Online condolences may be made at: [www.harboursidecremation.ca/obituaries](http://www.harboursidecremation.ca/obituaries). Public Health rules permitting, a Celebration of Life is planned for the spring of 2022. No flowers Please

Thelma bids a fond farewell to family and friends, and thanks them for the memories made together. Her parting message to all: DO NOT SHED TEARS IN SADNESS. ANY TEARS SHED SHOULD BE IN HAPPINESS AND PRIDE TO CELEBRATE MEMORIES AND A LIFE LIVED WELL.

# Tribute Wall

GJ

“ Kelly and family: Marilyn and I are so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother Thelma. We were friends of her and Joe for many years. I first met Thelma in the electrical school in 1958. We visited with them in Dartmouth, Porters Lake and Florida at their home in Country park and the Nova Scotia picnic many times. We assisted in the building of the cottage in Porters Lake. We have many fond memories of her and Joe and miss them both. Garth and Marilyn Jackson

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**Garth Jackson** - December 27, 2021 at 12:27 AM

FT

“ Kelly: It was beyond sad when I learned of your mother's passing in the Chronicle Herald. The obit. in that paper nailed it when it used the phrase "Warrior's heart". One thinks of that phrase when one thinks of the time she was reported to been able to repel an attack while seated in her parked car in Florida. Thelma was already in the Fleet School, when I began there in 1961. She was Miss Fox back then, coming to work in her Volkswagon bug, at a time when women were beginning to have their own cars. She did countless favours for me and for many others, often when one of us needed a bit of typing done. She had a large circle of friends. We were sorry to see her leave us, and glad she found a much better opportunity in the Dockyard Personnel Office. One could write a long time about this exceptionally lived life. My condolences to Kelly and the rest of her family.

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**Francis Tibbetts** - December 22, 2021 at 01:30 PM

LB

“ Kelly and Family....your Mom I were work colleagues and Friends. I have many wonderful memories of times spend with Thelma and other family members, including "Sheldon".

*Sincere Sympathy Leonard Beaver*

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**Leonard Beaver** - December 16, 2021 at 10:54 AM

BB

“ Kelly and Family. Sincere condolences to all the family. I worked with your mom in Civilian Personnel in the dockyard. She always spoke of her Kelly with such pride and joy she loved you very much. I always enjoyed our chats and the fun we had in Florida. RIP Thelma.

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**Brenda Byrne** - December 14, 2021 at 07:31 PM

AS

“ My sincere condolences from down south here in Brazil where I live. She was a great friend of mine, had great time with her and Joe and friends. Love to hear her laughing!!!

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**Adelson Lopes Da Silva** - December 14, 2021 at 11:22 AM

FT

“ My sincere condolences to Kelly and the entire family. During her stay at the Berkeley, i always enjoyed chatting with her and we had one dance at a Christmas party a few years back.

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**Flash Therrien** - December 14, 2021 at 08:39 AM

PB

“ To Kelly and all the family of Thelma Greenwood. My sincere condolences to you on the loss of your dear mother. Thelma and I were friends in our early days at St. Pat's High School, and at the Vocational School. Her sister, Shirley was there at the same time. It is years since I saw her, as we went off in different directions, but I remember her fondly as a good and loyal friend. I know she will be sorely missed.

Sincerely,  
Pat (Ryan) Berrigan

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**Patricia Berrigan** - December 13, 2021 at 02:02 PM



“ kelly and family i am so sorry to hear of your loss thelma was a wonderful person and i had many cup of tea with her and joe i look at my nutcrackers she gave me every day they never get to be put away if there is anything i can do for you please let us know greg nd ella beazley

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**Ella Hennigar** - December 13, 2021 at 07:28 AM

BH

“ Kelly and family,

So very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Bonnie Hart

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**Bonnie Hart** - December 12, 2021 at 07:11 PM

WV

“ Kelly, Karl and family. I was saddened to here of your mother's passing. It sure brings back many memories of all the fun times in Porter;s Lake and in the different homes your mother and father lived in over the years. All the roads trips we took and always had lots of laughs. I have fond memories and think back of how proud your Mom and Dad were of you Kelly, for all of your accomplishments. Kelly please let me when the memorial service is going to be. With deepest sympathy.

*Wilma Verge*

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**Wilma Verge** - December 11, 2021 at 05:02 PM

SD

“ Kelly, and Family, my sincere sympathy in the loss of your beloved Mother. She had so many things to sort out after your Dad passed away. I'm sure you have been very busy and I am sorry that her life changed so much in her last years. I met your Mom at Civilian Personnel, HMC Dockyard, and we worked in different sections but always shared knowledge and social events. A few years ago, she took me to a church supper in Chezzetcook, navigating with her GPS, and we went to see their previous cottage on Porter's Lake. May she rest in peace with her Joey, whom she missed so much. Again, deepest sympathy.

*Sarah Dozzi*

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**Sarah Anne Dozzi** - December 11, 2021 at 08:51 AM

ES

“ *Thelma and I met in Country Park in Clearwater, Florida many years ago and have shared a wonderful friendship all these many years. The fun we had and the laughs we shared will be with me forever. Thelma was a kind, thoughtful and loving human being and the thought of her being gone is heart breaking. She missed her Joe so much and I am sure she is happy to be with him once again. Rest in the Arms of the Lord, my friend.*

*My sincerest sympathy to Kelly and family, Evelyn Savold*

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**Evelyn Savold** - December 07, 2021 at 05:54 PM



“ *Words cannot express the sorrow I feel for the loss of this incredible women. She was not only my Aunt she was a dear friend. I will forever treasure the time we spent together and I will miss her more than words can say.*



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**Vicky Vaughan** - December 06, 2021 at 03:35 PM