



## Roderick MacGillivray

Born in: Whitney Pier, Nova Scotia, Canada

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Passed away in: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, Canada

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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Rod 'Fuzzy' MacGillivray of Glace Bay on the 24th day of February, 2011 at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Whitney Pier on the 30th of September, 1938. He was the son of the late Cecelia (MacDonald) and Rod MacGillivray. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Elaine (MacKinnon); five children, Lynn (Jack), Brian (Heather), Brenda, Deborah and Andrew; and was predeceased by his son, Craig. Roddie is also survived by his sisters, twin Catherine 'Sis' (Howie) Kenny, and Colleen (John) Dezagiacomo; four grandchildren Matthew (Brenda), Breton (Lynn), Siobhan & Rhys (Brian); many nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews. In addition to his parents (1966) and son (1970), Roddie was also predeceased by his brothers Blaise in infancy, Ted Black (1995) and Danny (2003).

Roddie was a loving husband, father, brother, son and friend. He continually elicited the importance of family and lasting connections. In his youth, while he enjoyed many sports, he was drawn to hockey and boxing. With his brother Danny, they would create many memories. One of his noteworthy achievements, which he often boasted, was that he was a member of the first chartered Little League baseball team in Canada. His passion for sports continued throughout his lifetime, and he remained a staunch supporter of the Toronto Maple Leafs, regardless of their successes. By the age of 16, Roddie commenced his professional employment as an electrician, where he would develop a superb reputation as the quintessential electrician. Roddie was a fierce supporter of enhancing the electrical profession, remaining closely connected with the I.B.E.W. Local 1852.

It was following one his skating expeditions in 1960 that he met Elaine, whom would marry in 1965, raising a wonderful family. Roddie's undeniable relentlessness was unmistakable following his spinal cord injury. Notwithstanding all medical assessments, Roddie would prove all wrong.

Visitation will be held on the 28th of February from 2-4 p.m. & 7-9 p.m. at Currie's Funeral Home, 775 Main St., Glace Bay. A Celebration Funeral Mass for Roddie will take place on the 1st of March, 11a.m. at Holy Cross Church, Seaview St., Glace Bay with Father Norman MacPhee officiating. Interment will be in Holy Cross Cemetery on Wallace's Rd. A luncheon reception will be held at Holy Cross Hall following the service.

Donations in Roddie's memory can be made to the Rick Hansen "Wheels in Motion" or Holy Cross Memorial Fund.

Online expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at [jmcurrie@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:jmcurrie@ns.sympatico.ca).

This man known as Roddie, Dad, Da, Fuzzy and Brother, will be sadly missed. We will never forget you nor the happiness and love which you fostered and nurtured.