



## Nadine MacDonald

February 22, 2024

Nadine Jean MacDonald was born at home in Wallaceburg Ontario in January of 1929. She passed peacefully at CKHA on February 22, 2024 at the age of 95.

Nadine was the daughter of Willis and Beatrice Thompson. She is now reunited with her beloved husband Paul (1994) and son Stuart (1967).

She is survived by her son Dr. Grant 'Sandy' MacDonald of Atlanta GA, daughter Suzanne MacDonald-Simcox ( Terry) of Arnes MB, and dear friends Moira and Brad Eggett and family who she loved as her own.

She is also survived by her "baby" brother Doug and sister-in law Anne Thompson of Meaford, Ontario as well as many nieces and nephews and several great and great -great nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her sisters Mary, Donna and Maxine.

Nadine started her working career as a switchboard operator at Bell Telephone in 1947. She then became assistant pay master at the Wallaceburg Brass factory for many years. She and Paul lived at and raised their family in Mitchell's Bay where they lived their entire married life. In 1963, Nadine started her most important and cherished career ...a full time mother to her children. As the wife of a commercial fisherman she made a loving and

nurturing home.

Through her adult life she was a member of St Stephen's Church Mitchell's Bay, and was very active in the Anglican Church serving in many capacities namely being on the Alter guild, active in the ACW and the Chatham Kent Deanery and in Synod in London. She was also involved in the Dresden Community Church.

She was an active canvasser for the Canadian Cancer Society going door to door every April for years. She was very passionate about mission work with one of her favorite missions making up care packages to send to Uganda. Her achievement that she was most proud of was starting a Bereaved Parents Group in the early 1970's that provided support to other parents suffering the loss of a child. At that time, no such group existed. Losing her 3 year old son had such a devastating and profound impact on her life. However, she was able to do something good as a result, as this group is still active today.

She loved to cook and bake....who could forget her famous Bundt cakes! She loved to travel, was an avid reader and an artist who loved to sketch and paint. She even became savvy on an iPad well into her 90's! She always loved a good party and loved a good Margarita even more! She had a wonderful sense of humor. Her ability to talk to anyone was effortless.

The funeral for Nadine will be held at Christ Church, 80 Wellington St. W. in Chatham on Saturday March 2 at 11 am with viewing/visitation starting at 10 am. A celebration of Nadine will follow at Mama Maria's Ristorante at 231 King St. in Chatham following the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Salvation Army through the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg 519.627.3231. Cherished stories and tributes may be left for the family at ww

w.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca

# Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Nadine MacDonald



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - February 27, 2024 at 03:57 PM

JR

Nadine you were a great friend. We shared alot of laughs and stories. May you RIP

Jeannie Ramsden - March 16, 2024 at 05:36 PM

CE

“ I was truly blessed to have Nadine as a neighbor in Chatham for several years. Always a loving mother to more than her family, I was welcomed to the building by her incredible lemon poppy seed and coffee cakes. If she had a few extra tomatoes or a sleeve of Cheeto chips to share it would be mysteriously handing on the apartment door as a treat. Coming down the hall to see a Nadine treat waiting had such a powerful way of warming my heart. I was happy to keep an ear out for her or lend a hand when needed but she gave more of her heart to others than she ever asked for in return. All my strength to you Sandy.

Cathy Eastman - March 02, 2024 at 08:43 AM

MB

“ *My Condolences to Sandy and Sue for the loss of your mother.*



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**Mrs. Randy (Kathleen) Burke** - March 01, 2024 at 08:11 PM

E(

*So very sorry for your loss. Grew in the bay and Nadine was always a joy to visit*

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**Eileen St Pierre (Beausejour)** - April 02, 2024 at 09:30 AM

JE

“ *Dear Uncle Doug and Aunt Anne,*

*Thinking of you with love and sending my deepest sympathies.*

*Your niece, Jennifer*

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**Jennifer** - March 01, 2024 at 10:01 AM

JE

“ Dear Moira,

*Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. Wishing you peace and comfort at this difficult time. I know how much you meant to Nadine, and how much she means to you.*

*Thank you from the bottom of my heart for keeping me informed of my aunt's health when she and I were no longer able to talk by phone.*

*Caring thoughts are with you,*

*Nadine's niece, Jennifer*

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**Jennifer** - March 01, 2024 at 10:00 AM

JE

“ Dear Sandy and Sue,

*My thoughts are with you during this very difficult time. I send my love and profound condolences for your loss. Your mother was an amazing lady, with such wit and knowledge, and memory to boot! As our family historian, I would always love to hear the stories she would tell!*

*I know how deep her love was and is for you, and how deep your love is for her. May this eternal love bring you strength and comfort, and may her spirit live on in the beautiful memories you shared together.*

*There are no goodbyes for us. Wherever you are, you will always be in my heart. ~ Mahatma Gandhi*

*Much love, your cousin Jen*

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**Jennifer** - March 01, 2024 at 09:57 AM

AB

“ *What an amazing eulogy for such a beautiful soul. Your life made a positive impact on the lives of everyone you met & even the ones who've only heard parts of your story! You used your pain to instill hope and encourage others. You were truly a blessing!*

*Thank you so much for sharing your heart with the world. I can't wait to make my Lemon Poppy Seed cake. I only hope to get a glimpse of how good yours was. I'll make sure it "bounces back to touch!"*

*May your legacy live on through the memories of all those who knew & loved you!*

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**April Bairentine** - February 29, 2024 at 09:21 PM

PW

“ *It was blessing knowing Nadine Remembering her when baking her Bundt cake recipes. Sincere condolences to all family & extended family R.I.P*

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**Pam Weager** - February 28, 2024 at 08:24 PM

BS

“ *Brian and Elaine Shaw sent a virtual gift in memory of Nadine MacDonald*

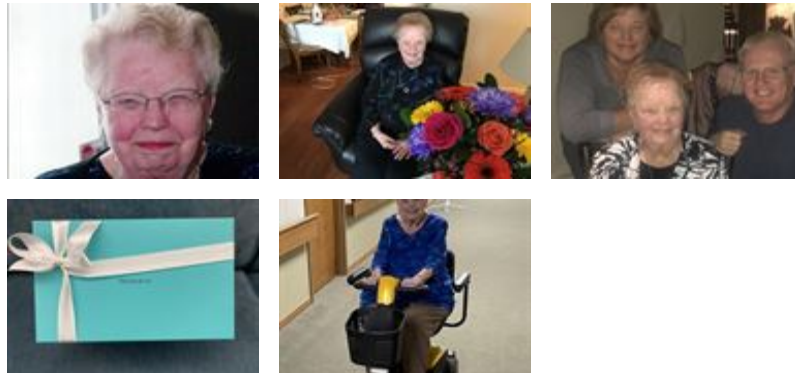


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**Brian and Elaine Shaw** - February 28, 2024 at 11:21 AM



“ 77 files added to the album Life Tributes



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - February 27, 2024 at 03:53 PM

MM

“ Although I didn't know Nadine well, her warmth and smile left its mark on me and many privileged to know her. My prayers are with you as a family as you celebrate her life. P. Marg Moriyama

Marg Moriyama - February 27, 2024 at 10:38 AM

CS

“ So sorry Doug and Anne in the loss of your sister. Len and Clara Stacey

Clara Stacey - February 27, 2024 at 10:03 AM

SW

“ I treasure my memories of phone conversations with Aunt Nadine, which I'd always make from a hiking trail, as they'd last for an hour or more. She loved the idea of cell phones and of getting calls from odd places, with the sounds of seagulls or trains in the background. She wanted to know all about what my wife, Christine, and I had been up to over the past year, and to share stories about Sandy, of whom she was very proud. Aunt Nadine had a love of life, a respect for lifestyles that were different from her own, and a bit of impishness in her character, all of which I hope has rubbed off on me and many others around her. Thanks Aunt Nadine, and farewell.

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**Scott Walden** - February 27, 2024 at 07:54 AM

DM

“ Nadine will always have a special place in my heart she helped me very much when I lost my son Michael at two and a half years old. She knocked on my Door and introduced herself and said I lost my son also, and I felt in my heart I had to go connect with you, that is how we met, and have been special to each other ever since that day in 1976. We spent lots of time together over the years shopping, going to yard sales, having lunch together backing together Nadine taught me to make her famous coffee cakes. She helped me through many trying times in my life, she was just always there for me. We always told each other (I Love You ) after each time we spend together. I could go on and on about Nadine love and kindness to me. I will always remember her she was a great Christian lady and always spoke of Gods love for us she would always pray for me after a visit, or on the phone. Tom and I seen her a few times in the hospital days before she passed away. Our last words to each other I LOVE YOU I WILL MISS YOU 💔😭

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**Doreen Murphy** - February 26, 2024 at 02:47 PM

JC

“ *Janice Conway sent a virtual gift in memory of Nadine MacDonald*



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**Janice Conway** - February 26, 2024 at 09:25 AM

JE

“ *Sending sincere condolences to Sandy and her family, as well as the Eggetts. Keeping you in our thoughts.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Jean & Dave Elliott*



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**Jean Elliott** - February 26, 2024 at 08:58 AM

DB

“ *Deepest sympathy family and friends ♡♡*  
*Nadine was such a lovely lady and a pleasure to chat with!*  
*Hugs*



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**Deb Brewer** - February 26, 2024 at 08:01 AM

KD

“ *Kelly DeBruyne lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald*



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**Kelly DeBruyne** - February 25, 2024 at 11:52 PM

JT

“ Jack Kim Thomaes lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



Jack and Kim Thomaes - February 25, 2024 at 07:53 PM

TA

“ Tracey Atherton lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



Tracey Atherton - February 25, 2024 at 06:02 PM

DT

“ Nadine was a lovely caring lady who enjoyed life but loved her family more than anything. Her past few years have been difficult but made more than comfortable by her son Sandy. Her sense of humour and her willingness to help others has always been present. She will be missed. Doug and Anne Thompson and family

Douglas Thompson - February 25, 2024 at 02:52 PM

JW

“ Jennifer Walden lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



Jennifer Walden - February 25, 2024 at 12:59 PM

EJ

“ Our sympathy to Nadine's family and Brad and Moira and family. Nadine was such a warm and loving lady. I attended St. Stephen's Church growing up and remember how kind Nadine was. She asked to hold our twins at their Christening because she wanted to cuddle them and certainly she did.

Eileen (Lewis) Jardine - February 25, 2024 at 11:31 AM

MJ

“ What a lovely lady. One summer many moons ago, Nadine gave me a ride into town for my part time job. May she rest in peace

Marlene ( Coveny) Judson - February 25, 2024 at 10:49 AM

SB

“ My sympathy to Nadine,s family. I knew Nadine and Paul as I grew Up in Mitchell,s Bay.



Sophia Brown - February 25, 2024 at 10:24 AM

GM

“ George McGaffey lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



George McGaffey - February 25, 2024 at 09:39 AM

EJ

“ Eric Sandra Johnston lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



Eric and Sandra Johnston - February 25, 2024 at 06:21 AM



“ Nadine, such a beautiful lady. I was honored to get to know her and work with her. She taught me alot. On hard days we helped each other. She didn't know the ways she helped me but a part of me is forever changed because of you Nadine. I will miss you my friend. Love ya. ❤️



Kara D. Kewayosh - February 24, 2024 at 11:32 PM

JB

“ I am sorry for your loss. Janet Barrett

Janet Barrett - February 24, 2024 at 08:03 PM

GF

“ Gerry Flynn lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



Gerry Flynn - February 24, 2024 at 07:23 PM

KM

“ Aunt Nadine ... hugs to the family .. she will be missed



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**Kim MacDonald** - February 24, 2024 at 06:13 PM

LT

“ Aunt Nadine you never missed us on our birthdays there was always a lovely card in the mailbox.

*I will never forget your bun cakes, your powerful hugs, your bottomless kindness as well the love you gave everyone.*

*Much love your nephew Lachlan James Thompson*

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**Lachlan Thompson** - February 24, 2024 at 05:23 PM

EF

“ Erin Frederickson lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



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**Erin Frederickson** - February 24, 2024 at 04:39 PM

JP

“ Joe Janice Punnewaert lit a candle in memory of Nadine MacDonald



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**Joe and Janice Punnewaert** - February 24, 2024 at 01:36 PM