



*Colleen Sumarah
Truth Given CLC, Wolfville, NS*

Colleen passed peacefully at home on December 4, 2012. From the early beginnings in the pine trees of northern Ontario to a Catholic education with the Sisters of the Assumption, then a teaching time in southern Ontario with the Separate School Board, as a junior professed Sister of Loretto Colleen was invited by Jean Vanier to join his work in L'Arche in France, then to crowded cities in India and back to Canada. Married in 1976 she and John spent several years in Toronto where their daughter Sheena was born. Settled in Wolfville NS for 29 years she had a leading role in Christian Life Communities, training Group Guides and Spiritual Directors. She valued Ignatian Spirituality, finding God in the daily circumstances of life. In 2011 at the invitation of Sheena and Darren she and John moved to Ottawa and enjoyed happy times culminating in the birth of her first grandchild Brady. Colleen had a great love of the Trinity and humanity and prized discernment as a means of understanding and doing Their will. She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, mentor and friend. Her cheerful, loving and encouraging ways touched the hearts of many.

Sadly missed Lovingly Remembered

