Still I Rise

Just like moons and suns,
with the certainty of tides,
just like hopes springing high,
still I rise.

by Maya Angelou
BURKE-WHITE, Donalda A. - 61, of Parrsboro passed away Thursday, August 11, 2011 at Northwood Manor, Halifax. Born in Parrsboro, she was a daughter of the late Bernard and Eleanor (Hemphill) Burke. She was a graduate of the Nova Scotia Teacher’s College. Upon graduation, she taught home economics in Montreal for five years. Upon her return to Nova Scotia, she worked at a youth training facility in Halifax for many years. She was a member of the Parrsboro Citizen’s Band, was a dedicated volunteer with the Ship’s Company Theatre, and was an avid gardener. She is survived by her daughter, Angie White, Halifax; her son, Aron White (Christene MacAloney), Halifax; sisters, Brenda Wheaton (Billy), Doreen Wheaton (Lester), Patricia, all of Parrsboro; brother, Paul (Debbie), Mississauga, Ont.; a granddaughter, Ava White. Funeral service 11 a.m. on Monday [August 15, 2011] at St. Brigid’s Catholic Church, Parrsboro, Father David MacDonald officiating. Reception to follow in the church hall. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Parrsboro Citizen’s Band “Save the Hall” Campaign or to the Leisure and Recreation Programs of Northwood Manor.

Order of Service

Prelude
Time of Remembrance [Andrew Wagstaff]
Entrance Hymn: Like a Shepherd [#490]
Opening Prayer and Welcome
Scripture Reading [Elwin Hemphill]
Psalm - Psalm 23 [#53]
Gospel
Reflection
Prayers of the Faithful [Paul Burke]
Preparation of the Gifts: Be Not Afraid [#481]
Communion Hymn: Eye Has Not Seen [#482]
Prayers of Commendation
Closing Hymn: Amazing Grace [#480]
Postlude

All are invited to St. Brigid’s Church Hall immediately following the funeral service for a time of fellowship and refreshments, where you will be joined by the family following a private committal service.

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank Father David MacDonald; Deacon Howie Goldstein; Ministers of the Eucharist, Nancy Curleigh and Norma Collinson; musician, Billy Graham; the ladies of St. Brigid’s Church for providing the reception; friends and neighbors for their support and expressions of sympathy, and to all who are present today.