



The Reverend Linda Thomas

Linda Thomas (née Hind) passed away peacefully on April 9, 2026, in Quispamsis, NB, at age 79. Born on August 28, 1946, in Derby, England, Linda lived a life marked by devotion to her family, quiet strength, and laughter. She will be lovingly remembered by her husband, David Thomas, with whom she shared a lifetime of adventures beginning in 1967 on the Copperbelt in Zambia before moving Canada in 1970 to Buchans, Newfoundland, and then to Labrador City in 1973 living there for over 25 years. It certainly was not without challenges; in 1975 she was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis which remained with her for the rest of her life. This did not stop her and she took on life with a zeal for living to the best of her abilities. Linda has always challenged herself. As well as raising four children, she was always very involved in the community: a Preschool teacher, the librarian at the local college, the chair of the Labrador West School Board, lay minister at the Carol United Church, a founding member of the Menihek Nordic Ski club and an executive on many other community organizations. When her children were older, Linda went back to school to become a minister with the United Church, attending the Atlantic School of Theology in Halifax, graduating with a Bachelor of Theology. Her family was very proud of her for the courage and perseverance to achieve this. In 1998 Linda took the position of minister of the Kirk McColl United Church in St Stephen before relinquishing it for health reasons in 2004. Linda and David then moved to Quispamsis, NB. Linda was a proud mother of her four children: Richard (Catherine), Iain (Laurel), Scott (Jennifer), and Sally. She was a cherished grandmother to Lucy, Isaac, Gabriel, Liam, Joshua, Andrew, Mathew, and Kirsty, each of whom brought her immense joy. In the fall of 2019 Linda's health deteriorated to the point that she was moved to the Embassy Hall at Shannex where she has called home for the last six and a half years. As a family we want to sincerely thank the staff for all the love and care they provided to Linda over these many years particularly over the last 6 weeks. Linda's warmth, resilience, and gentle spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew her. She was a voracious reader, loved a good Gin and Tonic, and loved dancing.

A Celebration of Life was held on July 4, 2026 at a family home in Quispamsis, NB.