

Obituaries



Donald Clay Coyle

Donald Clay Coyle, 68, of Brodhead and formerly of Garrard County, died Sunday, September 16, 2001 at Woodstock. He was born on November 6, 1932 in Garrard County, the son of the late Alfred Land and Carrie Marie Richardson Coyle. He was a retired engineer of Dana Corp., Rockcastle County Solid Waste Coordinator, President of Rockcastle Kiwanis Club, member of Camp Wildcat Foundation and member of the Fairview Baptist Church in Richmond, Indiana.

Survivors are his wife, Joan Sebastian Coyle of Brodhead; a step son, Chad Isaac; a step granddaughter, Kayla Isaac; five brothers, Joe L. Coyle, Henry N. Coyle, Dorian G. Coyle, Dwain M. Coyle and Larry D. Coyle; three sisters, Ellen M. Hunt, Barbara J. Hyatt and Dora M. Owens. Services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 20 at the Spurlin Funeral Home in Lancaster with Rev. Jerry Browning, Rev. Everett Priddy, Dr. Tony Arvin, Jeff Burdette and Buzz Carlotis officiating.

Memorials preferred to Rockcastle Kiwanis Club. Active pallbearers are Jesse Owens, Nelson Clay Coyle, Chris Coyle, Michael Coyle, Bruce Hunt, Landon Coyle, Mark Coyle, Mark Coyle and Connie Oakes. Honorary pallbearers are Dr. Tony Arvin, Doug Hamm, Bud Cox, Corey Craig, Gary Mink, Jeff Burdette and James Miller.

Elizabeth Thomas

Elizabeth Ramey Thomas, 83, of Scaffold Cane Road in Berea, died

Sunday morning, September 16, 2001 at the Patti A. Clay Hospital in Richmond. She was born December 17, 1917 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Jacob and Sarah Jane Richmond Ramey. She was the widow of the late Ernest D. Thomas and was a member of the Clear Creek Baptist Church. He was a former aide at Berea Hospital and was a Kentucky Colonel.

Survivors are six children, Dennis Thomas of Mt. Vernon, Raymond B. Thomas and wife, Rita of Mary, Utah, Jerry A. Thomas and wife, Myrtle of Mt. Vernon, William Ralph Thomas and wife, Ruth of Berea, Jane Alene Arnold of Richmond and Donald Thomas and wife, Judy of Berea; a sister, Thelma Marie Thomas of Fairborn, Ohio and 18 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren and several great great grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 20, at the Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. Bernard Thomas officiating. Burial will follow in the Davis-Witt Cemetery. Grandchildren will serve as pallbearers.



Julia Adams

Julia Adams, 97, mother of Clifford 'Tip' Adams and a lifelong resident of Brodhead, died Thursday, September 13, 2001 at the Sowder Nursing Home in Brodhead. She was born on May 4, 1904 in Brodhead, the daughter of the late Jack and Carrie Weaver Lunsford. She was the widow of Elbert Adams. She was a member of the Brodhead Christian Church, enjoyed sewing, was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother.

Survivors are a son, Clifford 'Tip'

Adams of Brodhead; two grandsons, Lonnie Petrey and wife, Judy of Brodhead and James Petrey and wife, Judy of Somerset; three great grandchildren, Julie Petrey, Vickie Petrey and Teresa Petrey Burton and other family members include Mayzell Rics, Linda Chaney and Ronnie Sutton. Besides her parents and husband she was preceded in death by a daughter, Ruth Ella Petrey; two sisters, Minnie Sutton and Ann Rics and a nephew, Charles Sutton.

Graveside services were Saturday, September 15, at Piney Grove Cemetery in Brodhead with Bro. Mark Whicker officiating.

Arrangements were by the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals.



Cola Wilson

Cola Grace Wilson, 90, of Lovell Lane, Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, September 15, 2001 at the Sowder Nursing Home in Brodhead. She was born in Rockcastle County on January 23, 1911 the daughter of Spencer and Etta Ogg Abney. She was a retired school teacher serving forty years for the Rockcastle County School System. She was also a member of the First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon where she taught Sunday School for thirty years.

Survivors are three sons, Wayne Wilson and wife, Michelle of Muncie, Indiana, Edmund Wilson and wife, Louise of St. Petersburg, Florida and Ben Dale Wilson of Mt. Vernon; a daughter, Billie June Burton and husband, Carl of Mason, Ohio; two sisters, Mercia Dillingham and Martha Barnett, both of Mt. Vernon; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Sue.

Services were Tuesday, September 18 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel (www.dowellmartin.com) with Bro. Eddie Nation and Ronnie Wilson officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Ian Burton, DeVaughn Willis, Jason D. Wilson,

Mark E. Wilson, Kenton D. Wilson, H. Christopher Wilson and Ronald W. Wilson.

Honorary pallbearers were Angela Wilson-Willis and Rebekah Wilson-Willis.



Floyd Mink

Floyd L. Mink, 70, of Cincinnati, Ohio and formerly of Mt. Vernon died Sunday, September 16, 2001 at the Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati. He was born on January 27, 1931 in Rockcastle County, the son of the late Elzie and Mary Burdette Mink. He was a retired truck driver.

Survivors are three sons, Danny Mink of Mt. Vernon, Ken and Rodney Mink, both of Cincinnati; a daughter, Paula Wrenn of Cincinnati; six brothers, Delno, L.C., J.D. and Marvin Mink all of Mt. Vernon, Gerald Mink of Cincinnati and M.B. Mink of Dayton, Ohio; three sisters, Mae Renner of Stanford, Viola Bradley of Osgood, Indiana and Gilberta Price of Mt. Vernon; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren and his step mother, Irene Reynolds of Mt. Vernon. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Donna Sue Mink.

Graveside services were Wednesday, September 19, at Meadowbrook Cemetery with Bro. Steve Weaver officiating.

Arrangements were by Cox Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Ken Mink, Rodney Mink, Danny Mink, M.B. Mink, L.C. Mink, Steve Wrenn, Chris Wrenn and David Rogers.

"Toots" McEldred

Charles "Toots" McEldred, 86, of Louisville and formerly of Mt. Vernon died Friday, September 14, 2001 in Louisville after an illness of several months. He was a native of Tazewell, Tennessee, a retired truck driver for the old Huber and Huber and Smith's Transfer where he worked

for over 25 years and was a member of the International Brotherhood of "Transfer Local #710 and was an Army Veteran of World War II.

Survivors are two children, Velva Allen of Louisville and Charles Gordon McEldred of Lexington; three grandchildren, Michelle Hagenah of Sellersburg, Indiana, Jessica Allen of Louisville and Steve McEldred of Georgetown and six great grandchildren.

Memorial services were Monday, September 17, at Maraman Billings Funeral Home in Sherrillsville.

This obituary courtesy of Cox Funeral Home.



Pet Hastly

Pet Wendell Hastly, 67 of Moorestown, Indiana and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Tuesday, September 11 at the Roundabout VA Medical Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. He was born in Rockcastle County on June 18, 1934 the son of Clarence Hastly and the late Effie Doan Hastly. He retired from the Colonial Bank Company in Indianapolis, Indiana after 35 years of service and was an Army Veteran of the Korean War.

In addition to his father, Clarence Hastly of Salem, Indiana, survivors are his wife, Sharon Hastly of Cox's Creek; two sons, Dewayne W. Hastly of Brodhead and Robert E. Hastly of Brazil, Indiana; two daughters, Deborah D. Mitchell of Coatesville, Indiana and Melinda L. Deviox of Crawfordville, Indiana; four brothers, Homer Hastly of Indianapolis, Indiana, Jim Hastly of Plainfield, Indiana, Jack Hastly of Indianapolis, Indiana; two sisters, Gertrude McClure of Salem, Indiana and Barbara Hobson of Campbellsville, Indiana; four half sisters, Doris Brewer, Janie Parrott and Carol Elliot, all of Salem, Indiana and Shirley Gaser of Austin, Indiana; seven grandchildren, Nichole Hamilton, Ashley Hastly, Annie

Hastly, John Robert Hastly, Matthew Hastly, Hunter Mitchell and Austin Mitchell and a great grandchild, Rachel Hamilton. He was preceded in death by his mother, Effie Hastly; a brother, Billy Hastly and a half-brother, Ray Sease.

Services were Saturday, September 15, at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel (www.dowellmartin.com) with Bro. Zade McClure officiating. Burial was in the Hastly Family/Sowder Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Homer Hastly, Dewayne Hastly, Robert Hastly, Scott Hastly, Tim Hastly and Jerry Lucas.



Nannie Leger

Mrs. Nannie Pingleton Leger, 92, of Copper Creek died Tuesday, September 18, 2001 at the Sowder Nursing Home in Brodhead after a long illness. She was born on June 11, 1909 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Arthur and Georgia Kidwell Wilmont. She was a homemaker, enjoyed quilting, singing and writing songs, and was a member of the Valley Baptist Church.

Survivors are: two sons, Clarence Pingleton and wife Evelyn of Berea and Arnold Pingleton of Copper Creek; one daughter, Mrs. Lula Jenkins and husband Carl of Pensacola, Fla.; two sisters, Martha Brown of Lancaster and Mrs. Mary Roberts of Brodhead; nine grandchildren, fifteen great grandchildren and nine great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her first husband, John Pingleton and by her second husband, Tom Leger.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, September 20, 2001 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Denton Sears officiating. Burial will follow in the Wilmont Cemetery. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

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THE FOLLOWING POEM WAS WRITTEN BY MRS. PAMELA MARTIN AND STUDENTS OF THE 8th grade Challengers Team of Rockcastle County Middle School the day after the tragic event in New York and Washington, D.C.

Their names we may never know, their lives cut far too short by the horrendous acts of terrorism committed against our country on September 11, 2001, a day that will go down in history as one of America's darkest hours.

The Challengers 8th grade team of RCMS asks that each of you join us in remembering not only those who died as a result of the devastation that day, but also those who were injured and those left to pick up the pieces.

We look to the future with the realization that where there is life there is hope, that America will be better tomorrow than she is today. Our nation will continue to be a source of strength for all who believe in the cause of freedom....Our team has composed our thoughts into this poem.

America. . .

A part of America died that day
in billows of smoke and flame.
A part of America died that day,
never again to be the same.

A part of America died that day,
so many, we cannot name.
The land of the free, home of the brave,
never again be the same.

All of America mourns today
for an innocence forever lost.
Families broken and shattered dreams,
death the final cost.

A part of America died that day,
brought slowly to her knees,
Yet all of America gleams today,
from sea to shining sea.

A part of America died that day,
terror rained out of the sky.
Now many are left to carry on
searching...how? why?

A part of America came crumbling down
that day
buried under a deadly frost.
Though mangled and twisted, tattered

and torn,
her invincible spirit never lost.

America, the red, the white and blue
her banner proudly waves.
With liberty and justice, united we stand
in America...home of the brave.

America stands proud today,
a symbol of strength and hope.
In the midst of despair, she steadfastly re-
mains
the home of the strong and the bold.

A part of America died that day,
never again to be the same.
We look to the heavens for strength to go
on
in the land of the free and the brave.

The voice of America rises proudly today,
above the fruited plain.
America, the beautiful,
how majestic is her name.

A part of America died that day. . .

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