

Obituaries

Richard Howard

Richard Howard, 82, of Sherman Ave., Louisville, died Thursday, August 8, 2002, at the Veterans Hospital in Louisville. He was born on October 5, 1919, in Rockcastle County, the son of the late James and Lillie Cotton Howard. He was a retired carpenter and made his home in Louisville, with his niece Mrs. Frances M. Cox. He was an Army Veteran of WWII and was a member of the Farmdale Baptist Church in Louisville.

Survivors are two sons, Joseph L. and Billy Richard Howard, both of Mt. Vernon; a step son, David Gregory of Louisville; a daughter, Willie Sue Riggsbee of North Carolina; a step daughter, JoAnn Roth of Louisville; a brother, George Matt Howard of Richmond, Indiana; a sister, Hazel Hurd of Louisville and several grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Laving Williams Howard and a son, Wayne Howard.

Services were Saturday, August 10, at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. James Blanton officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Tracy "Hoss" Sowder, James "Doc" Hoss, James Richard Howard, Chuck Roth, Kenneth Howard and George Howard, Jr.

Loretta Patton

Loretta M. Patton, 82, of Norwood, Ohio and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Friday, August 2, 2002, at the University Hospital in Cincinnati. She was born in Rockcastle County on February 23, 1920, the daughter of John Turner and Rosa Renner Sowder.

Survivors are three children, Gary Patton, Edward Patton and wife, Mary Rose and Margery Robinson and husband, Bob; a brother, Glen Sowder and wife, Cora Ann; a sister, David Sowder; three grandchildren, Michael Robinson, Amy Robinson and Carrie Patton and two great grandchildren, Austin and Michaels Davidson.

Services were Friday, August 9 at the Hodapp Funeral Home in Cincinnati. Graveside services were Saturday, August 10 at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Broadhead.

Local funeral arrangements were by the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Robert Allen

Robert Charles Allen, 73, of Somerset Road, London, died Tuesday, August 13, 2002 at the Baptist Regional Hospital in Corbin.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby Roberts Allen. Services will be Thursday, August 15, at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Roberts Family Cemetery near Mt. Vernon.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's Signal.

Delbert Allen

Delbert M. Allen, 70, of Ravine Way, Campbellsville and formerly of Rockcastle County, died August 8, 2002 in Campbellsville. He was born in Rockcastle County on May 13, 1932, the son of the late Theodore Allen and Dora Hale Allen and was a retired factory worker.

Survivors are a son, Stanley Allen of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; two daughters, Brenda Vandivier and Tina Westerfield of Lebanon, Indiana; three brothers, Virgil Allen of Hagerstown, Indiana, Gillis Allen and Orba Allen, both of Orlando; three sisters, Gertrude Smith of Glasgow, Ruth Halcomb of Richmond, Indiana and Margaret Velmi Bond of Campbellsville and five grandchildren.

The body was cremated and private memorial services were held in Campbellsville. This obituary courtesy of the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Eleanor Shafferly

Eleanor M. Shafferly, 85, of Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Broadhead and formerly of Mt. Vernon died Friday, August 9, 2002. She was born April 26, 1917 in Charleston, Illinois, the daughter of Rose and Sally Macgabin Hampton. She had been a homemaker, a licensed practical nurse and was a member of the Mt. Vernon Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors are five nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Shafferly. Services were Monday, August 12 at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Ova Land officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Cards of Thanks

Tex Amey

The family of Tex Amey would like to thank everyone for their outpouring of love shown at the time of the loss of loved one. Thank you for the food, cards, phone calls, visits and flowers. A special thanks to Bible Baptist Church, Bro. Don Stayton, Bro. Rick Lotsepeich, the singers, Danny Hinton and Sam Stallworth and Glen Thompson, for the beautiful guitar playing and the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers, Sam Ford, Danny Ford, Joe Fain, Oscar Fain, Joe Cummins, Robert Howard, Jody Kirby, Tom Heselink, Scott Bryant, Mike Howard, Ryan Loudermilk, Kevin Roberts, Curt Miller, Tobee Harris and David Bryant and to Dowell & Martin for the very care at such a difficult time.

Oliver Abney

The family of Oliver Abney would like to thank each and everyone for their visits, prayers, phone calls, flowers and food during Oliver's illness and death. We want to also thank all the doctors, Home Health care, and Collins Respiratory Service for all their care and help. Special thanks goes out to Bro. Jim Miller, Bro. George Poynter, pallbearers, special music and Dowell & Martin Funeral Home for making this difficult time in our lives more bearable.

Thank you all very much.
The Family of Oliver Abney

Gladys Sams

The family of Gladys Sams would like to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls, food, flowers and for the donations to help pay for funeral cost. A special thanks to Bro. Glen McGuire, the McGuire Sisters for the singing, Dowell & Martin Funeral Home and the Berea Health Care Center.

Thank you

The Gladys Sams Family
Owen, Little, Flossie,
Pat & children

Rickey Lawrence

The family of Rickey Lawrence would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, flowers, visits and food received during our time of loss. There were so many that we were afraid we may have missed getting some cards out, but we want everyone to know they were greatly appreciated. We would like to send a special thank you to Janis Ingram and family, Kevin Poynter, Charles Lawrence, Doug Prewitt and Jeff Lynch for helping us take care of Rickey's estate. We would also like to send out a special thank you to our family and Tammy, Ashley and Brittany Himes and Kim Hayes who have given us such great support and love. Thanks to all for your kindness and sympathy.

Kenia and Jessica Lawrence
and (mother) Debbie

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The First Day of School

August 15th from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

*Entry Level (Kindergarten) begins August 16th

*Preschool begins August 21st

Church News

Church Services

Mt. Vernon Nazarene Church, 40 Fair St., Mt. Vernon. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. If transportation is needed call 256-1381.

Free Bible Course

If you would like to receive a free 8 lesson bible correspondence course by mail, send your name and address to: Bible Course, Rt. 4 Box 297, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Mission Hours

First Baptist Church Food and Clothing Mission's hours are Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The mission is located on 30 Church St., Mt. Vernon.

Church Services

Rose Hill Baptist Church services are Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m. Preacher is Larry Mink.

Church Services

River of Faith Ministries, Inc. Pastor Marty White Service Times: Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday night 7 p.m. More info call 256-9299 or 256-0438 (located on Hwy. 1004 just past Jean's Restaurant)

Services

Union Baptist Church at Red Hill Sunday School 10 a.m. Church Services 11 a.m. The church and Pastor Dale Walters welcomes everyone to come.

Church Services

Pastors Omega and Glen Crain invite who so ever will to come and fellowship at Shiloh Baptist Church on Sundays at 2 p.m. and Thursdays at 7 p.m. Located at 385 Hazel Patch Rd., East Bernstadt. Full gospel church that lifts up Jesus' name. For more info, call (606)558-3371.

Revival

Revival meeting at Central Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon beginning Mon., Aug. 19 through Sun. night, Aug. 25. Services begin at 7 p.m. each evening and regular time on Sun. The Evangelist will be Bro. Ralston Herten from Brooks Baptist Church of Elizabethtown. Special singing nightly. Everyone invited. For more info: 256-3981 or 256-9665.

Singing

One Voice will be singing at First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon on Sunday evening, Aug. 18th at 7 p.m. If you need more information you may call 256-2922. Everyone welcome.

Gospel Singing

Berea Gospel Tabernacle on Aug. 24th at 7 p.m. will feature Roy and Kay Himes and Mason and Sherry Isaacs of Berea. Pastor Ralph Chastee welcomes everyone.

Revival

Mt. Vernon Church of God will be in Revival Aug. 18-23. Evangelist: Bro. Billy Bryant. Services are Sun. at 6 p.m. Mon.-Fri. at 7 p.m. Pastor Bobby Owens invites everyone.

Homecoming

New Hope First Church of God will have their homecoming on Sun., Aug. 18th. Located 7 miles south of Crab Orchard on Hwy. 39. Former Pastor Mark Denney of Elizabethtown will be providing the sermon. Dinner to follow, please bring a covered dish. Special singing at 2 p.m. with the Calvary Himes.

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Something To Think About



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SHOULD CHILDREN ATTEND THE FUNERAL?

The funeral is a sad, but important event in the life of a family. Generally speaking, there is little justification for not permitting a child to participate. It allows them to express their own love and devotion. Keeping them away may damage their sense of belonging and deprive them of the opportunity to share their emotions.

On the other hand, the child should never be forced to attend the funeral - no matter how therapeutic one

thinks it might be. At the same time, try not to make them feel any shame or guilt for wanting to stay home. Instead, you might suggest that sometime later, when they feel like it, you could visit the cemetery together.

If the child is to attend, then it is important that you explain the details of the funeral service in advance. Being well-prepared and understanding what is going on can do much to relieve unnecessary distress.

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Casper McCracken, Jr.

Casper Lee McCracken, Jr., 75, of Berea, died Tuesday, August 6, 2002 at the Terrace Nursing Home and Rehab Facility at Berea Hospital of complications following a stroke. He was a Rockcastle County native born May 8, 1927, son of the late Casper and Macie French McCracken. He was a US Air Force Veteran, member of the Baptist faith and a former mechanic in Ft. Lauderdale.

Survivors are two sons, Conley McCracken of Bowling Green and Bobby McCracken of Stockbridge, Georgia; three daughters, Carol Huddleston of Florida, Florida, Carol Robinson of Stockbridge, Georgia and Reba Walker of Fayetteville, Georgia; a brother, Wayne McCracken of Berea; two sisters, Fredia Poynter of Mt. Vernon, Betty Poynter of Berea and Brenda Louallen of Berea; a sister-in-law, Lois Whittemore McCracken of Richmond; 10 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Calico McCracken and a brother, Leroy McCracken.

Services were Friday, August 9, at Reppert Funeral Home with Bro. Steve McKinney officiating. Burial was in Berea Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Conley McCracken, Bobby McCracken, Mike Robinson, David Robinson, Wayne McCracken and Mike Walker.

Irene Stephens

Irene J. Stephens, 76, of Gas City, Indiana, died Tuesday, August 6, 2002 at her residence. She was born September 27, 1925, in Kentucky, to the late William R. "Rance" and Etna Hayes Coffey. She married Clyde Stephens on June 18, 1945. She worked in food service and Personnel at the former Owens Illinois Glass Company in Gas City and retired in 1971 after an 18 year service. She was an avid basketball fan and Research History Buff.

Survivors are her husband, Clyde Stephens of Gas City; two daughters, Joyce Willis and husband, Mike of Gas City and Donna Groat and husband, Bob of Sevierville, Tennessee; a sister, Lillian Anglin of Mt. Vernon; three grandchildren, Mark, Jama and Tara and six great grandchildren.

Services were Friday, August 9, at Needham-Storrey-Wampler Funeral Home in Gas City with Rev. Lewis O'Vell officiating. Burial was in the Gardens of Memory in Huntington County, Indiana.

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