

# OBITUARIES

## DAVID LYNN DEMPSEY



David Lynn Dempsey, 32, Radcliff, Ky., died March 26, 2016 at his home in Radcliff, Ky.

He is survived by a son, Gavin Dempsey of Rineyville, Ky.; his parents, Tammy (Troy) Wise, Rineyville, Ky., David (Amy) Dempsey, Bonne Terre, Mo.; five sisters, Nikki (Bob) Berry, Shannon, Teri, Samantha, Jackie; brother, Dylan; grandparents, Judy Bossie, Jerry and Barbara Kilgore, Bob and Loretta Dempsey; many nieces, nephews aunts and uncles.

The funeral service will be held on March 31 at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home, in Radcliff, with Stuart Jones officiating. Burial will be in Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central in Radcliff.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nebfh.com](http://www.nebfh.com).

## MARCUS HOWARD



Marcus Howard, 79, Brandenburg, Ky. died March 22, 2016 at Hardin Memorial Hospital.

He was born June 20, 1936 in Wooten, Ky. to the late James (Ollie) Howard.

He was an avid coon hunter and participated in many hunting competitions throughout his life. His Walker coon hounds were his pride and joy. He retired as a shoe repairman who took great pride in his work.

He is survived by his loving wife Opal Ledford Howard, Irvington, Ky.; daughter, Diane Eldridge, Irvington; son, Pete (Lois) Howard, Shepherdsville, Ky.; daughter, Sandra (Donnie) Morris, Ekron, KY; son, David (Cheryl) Howard, Brandenburg, Ky.; son, Danny (Lisa) Howard, Mt. Washington, Ky.; and son, James (Channon) Howard, Guston, Ky.; 16 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 25 from the chapel of Bruington-Jenkins-Sturgeon Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Full Gospel Church of God Cemetery, Ekron, Ky.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the funeral home for funeral and monument expenses: Bruington-Jenkins-Sturgeon Funeral Home, 198 Lawrence Street, Brandenburg, KY 40108.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.bjsfunerals.com](http://www.bjsfunerals.com).

## CAROL JUANITA CLARK KETRON

Carol Juanita Clark Ketron, 77, Radcliff, Ky., died March 24, 2016 at her home.

She is survived by her husband, Bennie Ketron, Radcliff; three sons, Bennie David Ketron, Radcliff, Daniel Kim Ketron, Elizabethtown, Ky. and Dale Christopher Ketron, Elizabethtown;

She was one of a family of 16 brothers and sisters and is survived by two sisters, Loretta Jean Clark-Fasse, California, Ky. and Shirley Mae Clark of Campbell County, Ky.; three brothers, Melvin Justis Clark, Mainville, Ohio, Edmond Clark, Melbourne, Ky. and Robert "Bob" Timothy Clark, Hamilton, Ohio.

She is also survived by two daughter-in-law's, Sandra and Maria Ketron, Elizabethtown, Ky.; three grandchildren, Bennie Daniel Ketron, Elizabethtown, Michaela "Kayla" Carolyn Annie Ketron, Cedar Park, Texas and Joshua Franklin Ketron, Ind.; and nine step-grandchildren, Erika Nicole and Brandon Kyle Ralston, Angela Hart, Katrina and Brian Rabuck, Sylvia, Gary and Antanas Luspinis

She was a member of the Radcliff First Assembly of God since the 1970s. She graduated from Newport High School in Newport, Ky.

The funeral service was held March 30 at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home, in Radcliff, Ky. with Pastor Herman Gilley officiating. Burial followed at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central in Radcliff.

Expressions of sympathy can take the form of contributions to Hosparus of Central Kentucky, 105 Diecks Dr, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nebfh.com](http://www.nebfh.com).

## IRMA FRIEDA LA PIERRE

Irma Frieda La Pierre, 90, Radcliff, Ky., died March 19, 2016 at Signature North Hardin Health Care in Radcliff, Ky.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles William La Pierre; and her parents, Kurt (Frieda) Kastner.

She is survived by special friends, Theresa (Bill) Robinson, Ashtabula, Ohio and Teresa Fowler, Radcliff.

The funeral service was held March 24 at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home, Radcliff. Rev. Darren Gillespie officiated. Burial followed in the North Hardin Memorial Gardens in Radcliff.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to USO.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nebfh.com](http://www.nebfh.com).

## WILLIAM EDWARD "BILLY" MATTINGLY

William Edward "Billy" Mattingly, 66, Radcliff, Ky., died March 27, 2016 at Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown, Ky. after a brief illness.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Susie Mattingly, Radcliff; a daughter Rhonda (Tommy) Smolenski, Radcliff; a brother Jim Mattingly, Germany; five sisters, Mary Lou O'Brien, Barrington, Ill., Dorothy (Dan Sr.) Peterson, Clarkson, Ky., Patty (John) Arnett, Orange Park, Fla., Judy (Billy) Cleaver, Elizabethtown, Anna Mattingly, Elizabethtown; special friend, Christine Eslinger, Flaherty, Ky. and his faithful dog Tinkerbell.

He was a graduate of Elizabethtown Catholic High School and attended Elizabethtown Vocational School. He was the owner of Rapid Automotive in Radcliff and was an avid drag racer. He was a member of the Kentucky Drag Racers Hall of Fame, was the 1993 runner up of bracket finals in Indianapolis as well as being a University of Kentucky fan.

The Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11 a.m. on April 1 at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Vine Grove, Ky. with Rev. Daniel L. Lincoln officiating. Burial will be in North Hardin Memorial Gardens in Radcliff.

Visitation will be on March 31 from 4 - 8 p.m. and April 1 from after 9:30 a.m. at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home in Radcliff.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy can take the form of contributions to the funeral home.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nebfh.com](http://www.nebfh.com).

## CONNIE MCGEEHEE



Connie McGehee, 68, Brandenburg, Ky., died March 25, 2016.

Connie was born Feb. 12, 1948 in Tompkinsville, Ky. to the late Glynn and Ruby Hays Shirley.

She is survived by her husband Gene McGehee, Brandenburg, Ky.; two daughters, Stephanie (Jody) McGehee-Shacklette, Bowling Green, Ky. and Tricia (Wesley) Wright, Brandenburg; sister, Diana Bennett, Mt. Washington, Ky.; two brothers, David Shirley, Prospect, Ky. and Doug Shirley, Berea, Ky.; four grandchildren, Mason Alan Shacklette, Collin Wesley Wright, Logan Thomas Shacklette and Leah Elizabeth Wright; and several nieces and nephews.

Connie grew up in Louisville, Ky. and was a graduate of Seneca High School, Class of 1966. She was a 1970 graduate of Western Kentucky University where she earned her Bachelor of Science degree. She went on to earn her Masters of Arts in Education and Rank 1 in Guidance Counseling from WKU. She taught in the Meade County School system for 30 years. Connie was a cherished wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, friend and teacher. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and family. As a teacher, Connie loved being in the classroom. Teaching children to read and write was one of her greatest pleasures.

Funeral services were held March 29 at First Baptist Church in Brandenburg, Ky. with private burial following in the McGehee Family Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 161 St. Mathews Ave. #3, Louisville, KY 40207.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.bjsfunerals.com](http://www.bjsfunerals.com).

## JOYCE MARIE MERCER



Joyce Marie Mercer, 81, Vine Grove, Ky., died March 28, 2016 at her home.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Mercer; and a brother, Curtis Hackworth.

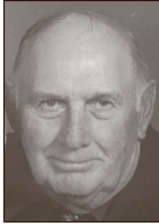
She is survived by her two children, David Mercer (Sandy), Edwards, Ill., and Renee Stamp (Jim), Elizabethtown, Ky.; three grandchildren, Tiffany Mercer, Kyle Stamp, and Lauren Stamp; a sister, Janice Evans, Elizabethtown; and a brother Harold Hackworth (Joyce), Bowling Green, Ohio.

She was the former owner of Mercers Cleaners, a member of the Hospital Auxiliary, and a member of Elizabethtown Church of Christ.

The funeral service was held on March 30 at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home, in Radcliff, Ky. with John Board officiating. Burial followed at Elizabethtown Memorial Gardens in Elizabethtown.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nebfh.com](http://www.nebfh.com).

## HARLEY LORN MORGAN



Harley Lorn Morgan, 87, Irvington, Ky. died March 23, 2016 at Brandenburg Health & Rehab in Brandenburg, Ky.

He was born March 30, 1928 to the late Marshal (Minnie Jenkins) Morgan.

He was preceded in death by a son Danny "Chig" Morgan; a daughter Vicki Morgan Phillips, and an infant Terry Morgan; three brothers Elwood Morgan, Forest Morgan, Charles Beranrdi; three sisters Ilene Morgan Dowell, Mary Lee Morgan Ledford, Leati Beranrdi.

He is survived by his wife Hannah Nix Morgan, Irvington; three children Jerry Morgan, Irvington, Barry Morgan, Irvington, and Neil (Brenda) Morgan, Brandenburg; a brother Curtis Morgan, Battletown; two sisters Irma Jean Morgan Simmons, and Ruthie Morgan Powell; 11 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and three step grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 26 at Alexander Funeral Home. Burial followed in Ekron Baptist Church Cemetery, Ekron, Ky.

Expression of sympathy maybe given in the form of donation to the Ekron Baptist Church.

## BRANDON RAY WILLIAMS

Brandon Ray Williams, 22, Irvington, Ky. died on March 24, 2016.

He was born on Feb. 12, 1994, in Louisville, Ky.

He is survived by his daughter, Sophia; parents, Veronica Hall and Michael Coddington; brothers, P.J., Dakota, and Devin Harrison; sister, Megan Coddington; grandparents, Carolea George and Danny and Alma Williams; great-grandmother, Essie Lisko; and a host of family and friends.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing with his brothers, cousins, and friends. Brandon loved being with his daughter, Sophia.

His memorial service will be held on April 2 at Irvington Depot, 243 1st Street, Irvington, KY 40146.

To leave a special message for the family, please visit [www.NewcomerKentuckiana.com](http://www.NewcomerKentuckiana.com).

## GEORGIANNA "SISSY" GRANT NEVITT



Georgianna "Sissy" Grant Nevitt, 76, formally of Concordia, Ky., died March 20, 2016 at Harrison County Hospital.

She was born June 14, 1939 in Concordia, Ky. to the late Wade and Patty Ruth (Parr) Grant.

She is survived by her four children; son, Bruce (Terri) Nevitt, Payneville, Ky.; daughter, Cindy (Pat) Allen, Wolf Creek, Ky.; daughter, Debbie (Bill) Doss, Payneville; and daughter, Missy Ritchie King, Brandenburg, Ky.; eight grandchildren, Tracy (Jamie) Mattingly, Ricky (Heather) Nevitt, Bridget (Tommy) Pike, Jeremy Brown, Stephen (Jessica) Nevitt, Brandy (Dustin) White, Brandon Allen, and Patti (Chris) Riggs; and 17 great-grandchildren, Bryce Mattingly, Caden Mattingly, Brandon Allen Jr., Austin Pike, Cody Pike, Wyatt Allen, Lily Riggs, Ashlyn White, Caleb Nevitt, Colton Allen, Vallory Riggs, Makayla Pike, Grant Nevitt, Mason Allen, Shelby Nevitt, Easton White, and Dylan Riggs; also, her niece Shelly (Glenn) Greenwell; nephew, Scott Grant; and special friends Frank (Margaret) Barr.

She would always cook a big meal every Sunday for her kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids where they would eat, play, and just spend as much time together as possible. She was known for her deep fried chicken and every holiday all of the grandkids always wanted some of her "good" fried chicken.

She enjoyed camping, fishing, and playing Rook with "Daddy" (Randall) and Frank (Margaret) Barr. She shared her love of cards with her grandsons who, when they were little, would slam cards on the table and say, "I'm Papaw and I'm Frank!" She enjoyed playing Rummy with Stella and Vivian as well as going to Bingo with Gracie and Mildred. She loved to take trips with her lady friends to see two of her favorite country singers, Conway Twitty and Loretta Lynn. Most of all, she enjoyed spending as much time that she possibly could with her kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids.

Funeral services were held March 26 from the Chapel of Bruington-Jenkins-Sturgeon Funeral Home. Burial followed in Parr-Frans Cemetery, Battletown, Ky.

## Minister's Corner



By BROTHER ALAN THOMAS  
Meade County General Baptist Church

### The Tomb Is Empty

All of the world's great leaders who ever died and were buried are still in their tombs; except one. Jesus of Nazareth, the one and only, has risen from the grave.

Think of all the things that happened to prove the resurrection of Jesus. He was one of at least three that was crucified that day. Instead of being buried in a mass or unmarked grave, his body was placed in the tomb of a prominent official, Joseph of Arimathea. That tomb was officially sealed and guarded by the Roman government. He was the only one with wounds made from a crown of thorns on his head and a spear that pierced his side. He was the only one with no broken bones as it was customary to break the legs to speed up the dying

process.

The stone was rolled away. It was dramatically and publically revealed that Jesus was resurrected from the grave. The sealed and guarded tomb was supernaturally opened. There was no body found inside. There was no body found anywhere fitting the description of Jesus' specific wounds.

Jesus appeared to many. He appeared to Mary Magdalene. He appeared to two of his followers on the road to Emmaus. He appeared to the eleven disciples as they were privately gathered. He ate with them and showed his wounds to Thomas who had been doubtful. He appeared to them multiple times and in multiple places; not only in Jerusalem but also by the sea of Tiberias. He appeared to many others as well over a period of forty days. Then he ascended into the sky before their very eyes.

There is no doubt that the tomb is empty. Jesus is alive and will one day return just as his disciples saw him leave.



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Pop, Julie, Becky, Angie and Roger

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