

Obituaries



Freddie Noe

Freddie D. Noe, Jr., 64, of 920 West Main St., Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, January 5, 2000, at his home after a long illness. He was born on November 4, 1935 in Mt. Vernon, the son of the late Joe B. and Mabel Blanton Noe. He was a retired Conservation Officer for the State of Kentucky where he attained the rank of sergeant, a deputy sheriff of the Rockcastle County Sheriff's Office, an avid hunter and fisherman and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Lorene Baker Noe of Mt. Vernon; one son, Freddie Dale Noe, Jr., and wife, Lisa of Berea; and one grandson, Mason Sage Noe. He was preceded in death by one brother, Joe Noe and three sisters, Ann Pike, Sadie Welch and Lucille Ponder.

Services were Saturday, January 8, at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Maynard Head officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were The Kentucky State Conservation Officers.

Active pallbearers were Garry Hansel, C.C. Ponder, Jim Earl Hammons, Leo Hopkins, Owen Hunt and Jimmy Silvers.



Ollie Harrison

Ollie Smother Harrison, 90, of Brodhead, died Wednesday, December 28, 1999 at the Berea Hospital after a long illness. She was born August 29, 1909, in Brodhead, the daughter of the late Henry and Emma Smothers. She was a homemaker, a devoted mother and a member of the Union Chapel Pentecostal Church.

On August 8, 1927, she was united in marriage to Arthur Lee Harrison, Sr., and from that union came twelve children. Survivors are eight sons, Arthur Harrison, Jr., and wife, Helen, Everett Harrison and wife, Agnes, Willard Harrison, Melvin Harrison and wife, Lela Mae, all of Brodhead, Robert Harrison and wife, Joyce of N. Kingston, Rhode Island, Norman Harrison and wife, Betty, Ervin Harrison and wife, Carolyn and Ronnie Harrison and wife, Linda, all of Cincinnati, Ohio; three daughters, Dorothy Stevens and husband, J.B. of Mt. Vernon, Ruby Wilson and husband, Avery of Richmond, Indiana and Lorene Jones and husband, Russell of Goshen, Ohio; 25 grandchildren, 10 step grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren, 16 step great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren.

Besides her husband, Arthur Lee Harrison, Sr., she was preceded in death by one daughter, Mary Ruth Harrison and one brother, Robert Bradshaw.

Services were Friday, December 31, at the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home Chapel in Brodhead with Bro. Buford Patterson and Bro. Bobby Owens officiating. Burial was in the Oakhill Cemetery.

Casketbearers were Ronnie Stevens, Wayne Harrison, Robert Harrison, Ervin Harrison, Jr., William Harrison and Michael Harrison.

Goldie Cope

Goldie Lavada Cope, 66, of Berea, died Monday, January 10, 2000, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

Services will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 13, at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

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

Mary Foster

Mary Eta Foster, 66, of Calloway, died January 4, 2000, after residence after a long illness. She was born in Laurel County, the daughter of the late Arrie and Lillie M. Collins Foster.

Survivors are her caregiver, Linda M. Foster of Calloway; two brothers, Emmett and Kenneth Foster, both of Calloway; three sisters, Gladys Foster of Calloway, Bertie Brown of Mt. Vernon and Carolyn Prewitt of Ottawa; five nephews and six nieces. Besides her parents she was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Silas Park and Mary Pauline Hubbard Collins; her paternal grandparents, William and Cordelia Renner Baker Foster; a sister, Geneva Foster; a very special brother-in-law, Edd Allen and several other family members.

Private graveside services were held at the Foster Family Cemetery at Calloway.

Jesus said, "Suffer little children to come unto me; for such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Arrangements were made by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Verna Barker

Verna Friedbaur Barker, 71, of Hollywood, Florida and formerly of Brodhead, died Monday, January 3, 2000, at the Pembroke Memorial Hospital in Pembroke Pines, Florida. She was born on April 30, 1928 in Brodhead, the daughter of Sophia Cable Barker of Brodhead and the late John Barker. She was a former toll collector for the Florida Department of Transportation.

Survivors besides her mother are four daughters, Sharon Cartaya of

Hollywood, Florida, Sonja Weiss of Coral Springs, Florida, Mary Ann Breen of Homestead, Florida and Linda Copeland of Tallahassee, Florida; two sons, Joseph Friedbaur of Miami, Florida and Joshua Friedbaur of Jacksonville, Florida; one brother, Ernest Barker of London; two sisters, Norma Jean Wilson of Broadhead and Janet Bishop of Cincinnati, Ohio and 11 grandchildren.

Graveside services were Saturday, January 8, at the Mt. Zion Cemetery in Lincoln County with Bro. Mark Whicker officiating.

Arrangements were made by the Watson Funeral Home.

Nellie Miller

Nellie Frances Miller, 90, of Richmond, died Tuesday, January 4, 2000, at Heritage Regency. She was born February 12, 1909 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of Melvin and Rachel Creech Jennings. She was a homemaker and member of Pentecostal Church of Richmond.

Survivors are three daughters, Alene Sutton & Nadene Owens, both of Richmond, Indiana and Geneva Brockman of McKee; four sons, Rev. James Miller of Mt. Vernon, Thomas Miller of Richmond, Indiana, Cecil Miller of Christianburg, Ohio and Roy Miller of Parker, Colorado; four sisters, Minnie Abney of Mt. Vernon, Minnie Shell and Dorothy Abney, both of Hamilton, Ohio and Nancy Roddy of Richmond, Indiana; several grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie I. Miller; one son, Edward Miller; three brothers, Arthur, Gilbert and Cellan Jennings; three sisters, Ella Mae Scott, Myrtle Bond and Hazel Vanzant.

Services were Thursday, January 6, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home in Richmond, Indiana, with Rev. Elbur L. Hale officiating. Burial was in the Rose Hill Burial Park in Hamilton, Ohio.

Arnold Bratcher

Arnold Benjamin Bratcher, 78, of Berea, died Tuesday, January 4, 2000, at the Berea Hospital, apparently of a heart attack. He was born August 13, 1921, the son of the late George and Pearl Pigg Bratcher. He was a retired Gibson Greeting Card Company employee, a WWII veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of the Galilee Baptist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Leonard Bratcher and Kenneth Bratcher; one daughter, Carolyn Isaacs, all of Berea; three brothers, Ralph Bratcher of Berea, Ernest Bratcher of Ohio and Fred Bratcher of Florida; one sister, Bernice Gregory of Berea; two grandchildren, Timmy Isaacs and Eric Randall Bratcher and one great granddaughter, Amber Isaacs. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife, Edna Mae Bratcher and one son, Randall Bratcher.

Services were Thursday, January 6, at Reppert Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. John Dodson officiating. Burial was in the Silver Creek Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Robert Lake, Jr., Clayton Gabbard, Harold D. Johnson, James Rowlett, Buck Ingram and Lee Abney.

Honorary pallbearers were Clyde Whittemore, Ira Dean and Charlie Bill Collins.

"Jay" Gaines

Joseph "Jay" Whorley Gaines, 64, of Berea, died Thursday, January 6, 2000, at the Berea Hospital. He was born in East Bernstadt, on August 8, 1935, the son of the late Claude and Delia Marie Howard Gaines. He was a self-employed carpenter.

Survivors are his wife, Delores Johnson Gaines; one son, Ricky Dale Gaines and wife, Tonya; two daughters, Angela Smith and husband, Roger and Tammy Pigg and husband, Tilde Ellis Gaines and wife, Tildie of Lexington; one sister-in-law, Mary

Gaines of Lexington and three grandsons, Timothy Wayne Pigg, Joshua Dale Gaines and Andrew Joseph Gaines. Other than his parents he was preceded in death by two brothers, Ora "Bank" Gaines and Beige Cecil Gaines; four sisters, Beatrice Madden, Gladys Mae Mitchell, Christina McElroy and Irene Madden.

Services were Saturday, January 8, at Williams Funeral Home in Berea with Bro. Gary Linville officiating. Burial was in the Charlie Collinsworth Cemetery in Sand Gap.

Casketbearers were Roger Smith, Timothy Pigg, William Pigg, Sam Broadbush, Donnie Riddell and Doug Edwards.

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May you and your family enjoy a prosperous and blessed year of 2000.

Catherine Langford

Catherine Phillips Langford, 86, of Paris, died January 5, 2000 at the Harrison Memorial Hospital in Cynthiana. She was born July 10, 1913 in Lawrenceburg, the daughter of J.B. and Susie Stratton Phillips. She was a member of the Baptist Church and had been a homemaker and a sales clerk.

Survivors are three nieces, Sue Mann and Kathy Markberry, both of Lexington and Jeri Jones of Paris and one nephew, Don Combs of Lexington. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Langford.

Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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