

Obituaries

Eliza Cummins

Eliza Jane Cummins, 71, of Crawford Street, Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, March 26, 2000, at her residence. She was born April 3, 1928 in Pulaski County, the daughter of Green and Mary Goltson Lowrey. She had been a homemaker and was a member of the Philadelphia Baptist Church.

Survivors are her three sons, Joe Cummins and wife, Donna of Crab Orchard, Michael Cummins and wife, Polly, both of Mt. Vernon; four daughters, Linda Hodge and husband, Ralph and Gloria Hodge, both of Crab Orchard, Janice Davidson and husband, Leon of Mt. Vernon and Lizzie Cummins of Corbin; one brother, Raymond Lowrey of Burnside; two sisters, Neckie Parker of Whitley City and Bertha Bell of Indiana; nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Swannie Cummins.

Services were Wednesday, March 29, at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Keith Asher and Harry Hamon officiating. Burial was in the Poplar Grove Cemetery.

Palbearers were Russell Hodge, Billy Hodge, Daniel Burdette Cummins, Ralph Hodge, Leon Davidson, Tracy Gabbard, Henry Dowell and William Dowell.

Honorary bearers were Drew Davidson and Devin Davidson.

John Davis

John Andy Davis, 90, of Ohio, died Sunday, March 19, 2000. He was born April 27, 1909.

Survivors are his wife, Rena Lamb Davis; children, Ruth Schmitt, Juanita Justice, Doris Harris, Henry James L. and George A. Davis; one brother, Wesley Davis and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

Services were Wednesday, March 22, at the Moore Family Funeral Home in Newtown, Burial was in the Mt. Moriah Cemetery.

Lena Long

Lena Mae Long, 81, of Georgetown and formerly of Livingston, died Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at the Royal Manor Nursing Home in Nicholasville. She was born December 11, 1918, in Livingston, the daughter of Jim and Nannie Stewart Mobley.

Survivors are two sisters, Carrie Hundley and Ruth Corbett, both of London. She was preceded in death by her husband, Russell Long and three brothers, Cecil, Otis and Oscar Mobley.

Services were Saturday at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Jasper Carpenter officiating. Burial was in the Red Hill Cemetery.

Palbearers were Eddie Powell, Bobby Wilson, Richard Minor, David Caldwell and Jeffery Akin.

Geraldean Payne,

Geraldean Payne, 69, of Rt. 3, Brodhead, died Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at the University of Kentucky Medical in Lexington. She was born February 4, 1931 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of Courtney and Nola Susan Morris King.

Survivors are her husband, Omer Payne, Sr., of Rt. 3 Brodhead; two sons, Phillip Payne and wife, Kathy and Omer Payne, Jr., both of Rt. 3, Brodhead; two daughters, Louella Bond of Richmond, Indiana and Imogene Fletcher of Richmond and three grandchildren, Courtney, Heath and Britany Payne. She was preceded in death by a brother, M.B. King and a sister, Sophia Harmon.

Services were Friday, March 24, at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Shannon Franklin officiating. Burial was in the Freedom Cemetery.

Palbearers were Clifford Esche, Gordy Yoder, Guy Walters, Mark King, James Clyde Payne and Greg Rose.

Lexie Laswell

Lexie Cable Laswell, 75, of Mason, Ohio, died Friday, March 25, 2000, in Mason. She was born on October 28, 1924 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Wiley and Lillie Williams Cable. She was a homemaker, and a member of the High Point Baptist Church.

Survivors are four sons, Dave, Doug and Johnnie Laswell, all of Cincinnati and Terry Laswell of Winchester, Ohio; two daughters, Lou Ann Allen and Janie Laswell, both of Cincinnati; one sister, Sophie Barker of Brodhead; 14 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marshall H. Laswell.

Services were Monday, March 27, at the Ottawa Baptist Church with Bro. Pete Lamom officiating. Burial was in the Ottawa Cemetery.

Arrangements were made, by Watson Funeral Home.

Palbearers were Doug, Johnnie, Jeremy and Dave Laswell, Sam Allen and Donald Cable.

Cards of Thanks

Thank You

We would like to express our thanks for all that was done for our loved one during his recent illness. We appreciate the many years of care given by Dr. Griffith. The employees at Rockcastle Hospital, especially the Special Care Unit, were very considerate and sympathetic. The support and kindhearted efforts of our co-workers will always be remembered. A special thanks to everyone who gave donations, sent flowers, and brought food and other items for the family. Dowell and Martin Funeral Home, Bros. Ova Baker and Doug Hawkins, and the singers helped make a memorable

service. Finally, we appreciate all the thoughts and prayers of those around us that helped us through this difficult time.

The J.R. "Boone" Cromer family



In Loving Memory of a Special Mother and Mamaw, Rosemary Bishop Wilson
She would have celebrated her 76th birthday on March 24th. You are still in our thoughts and memory. We miss and love you very much.

With love,
Gary, Paulette & family
Connie & family



In Memory of my Husband, Ed Mink

April 1st would have been our 45th wedding anniversary. We were married April 1, 1955.

On a bright summer evening as the sun was sinking low, two young lovers stroll together to a place they loved to go, wrapped in each other's arms caressed by a gentle breeze. There they told each other tender things, designed to please. Two lips met and from that moment two hearts beat as one as they sat that summer evening beneath the sinking sun. Hand and hand they journeyed onward crossing over the bridge of years.

Always sharing with each other all the laughter and the tears. Ed is one, Jean is the other.

Time has passed, we're growing old, but somehow we know we'll still be lovers in a land with joy untold.

By Ed Mink written March 14, 1988. Given to me on our 33rd wedding anniversary

Country music legend dies

By William Jerry Ayers
On March 7th, 2000, a good friend of mine and a great country music legend, entertainer and songwriter Frank (Pee Wee) King died after a heart attack at his home in Louisville.

Pee Wee King wrote classic songs such as "Tennessee Waltz", "Slow Poke" and "Noelens Retreat".

He was the leader of the "Golden West Cowboys" band which was number one for seven years in a row.

His hand helped launch the careers of Eddy Arnold, Ernest Tubbs, Cowboy Copas and many, many others.

In October of 1974, he was granted one of the highest honors in the business as he was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville, Tennessee. That was years after he had joined the Grand Ole Opry back in 1937.

He was given the name of Pee Wee when he was one of several Frank's in cowboy star Gene Autry's band.

Mr. Autry gave him the name Pee Wee because he was the smallest Frank. He was in many of the old Gene Autry western movies.

I met and became good friends with Pee Wee in April of 1987 when we appeared on a cable television show together in Louisville.

After the TV show we sat and talked and became friends ever since that day. He was a warm, friendly person to know and one I will never forget.

Each time that I sit down and try to write a song now, I will always remember the encouragement he gave me in my song writing, and all the other good advice he was kind enough to give me.

Pee Wee King was 86-years-old when he passed away.

It's said that no one is really gone,

until they have been forgotten and Mr. Pee Wee King will NEVER be. My Tribute to Pee Wee King I remember how very sad the news was that day.

On March 7th, 2000, we heard Pee Wee King passed away.

Country music fans loved his songs, they could sing and play His "Tennessee Waltz" was made the Tennessee state song one day.

And who can ever forget the song he wrote called "Slow Poke"??

It was loved for many years by both city and country folk.

In the country music spotlight there were many performers that stood

out, But I guess I will, and perhaps you will remember Pee Wee best of all.

I became friends with him when we once appeared on a television show.

Long before the Lord came and said, "Pee Wee King, it's time to go."

Although Pee Wee King's time came and to heaven he was called away, He left many of us memories, recordings and tapes to always play.

Yes he shall always be remembered throughout this land, By everyone who called him friend and almost every country music fan.

Those of us who knew him will always feel proud and glad, Of knowing this performer who gave all the talent he had.

Now he is in what Tex Ritter called "Hillbilly Heaven" to sing and play.

Still no one is really gone until they are forgotten I say,

So just as long as there is an old fashioned country song, Our memory of Pee Wee King will always live on and on.



Mt. Vernon Signal contributing poet William Jerry Ayers seen here doing a television show with Pee Wee King and Cousin Annabelle.

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The stone and aluminum siding house has living room, kitchen/dining room combination, 3 bedrooms, den, one bath and garage. Other amenities include: full basement, electric furnace, central air, full insulation, built-in kitchen cabinets with appliances.

The lot measures approximately 96x104 and is located on the corner of Albright and School Streets.

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