

Obituaries

Floyd Renner

Floyd Renner of Pleasant Plain, Ohio, formerly of Rockcastle County, died Friday, March 14, 2003 at Bethesda North Hospital in Montgomery, Ohio.

Mr. Renner is survived by two sons, Charles Renner (Jody) of Cincinnati, Ohio and Richard Renner (Shelia) of Blanchester, Ohio; two sisters, Kessela Anderson and Ruby Renner, both of Goshen, Ohio; four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 18 at 10 a.m. at Tufts Childmeyer Family Funeral Home with burial in the Myers Cemetery in Goshen, Ohio.

Mary Edna Culton

Mrs. Mary Edna Culton, 77, of Orlando, wife of David Culton, died Tuesday, March 18, 2003 at her home.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 21, 2003 at 2 p.m. at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home. Burial will follow in the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. Thursday (today).

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Leslie Edward Whitaker

Leslie Edward Whitaker, 77, of Harton Township, Ohio, died Sunday, March 16, 2003 in Montgomery, Ohio. He was born in Kenton County on May 29, 1925, the son of the late Lassalle and Elizabeth Kirby Whitaker and was a retired truck driver.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Whitaker; three sons, Leslie Whitaker, Jr., Ricky Whitaker and Robert-Lee Whitaker; three daughters, Kathy Inabnit, Gail Inabnit and Pat Whitaker; two brothers, Everett Reiner and Goral Renner; one niece, Sheina Gilpin; 9 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Villa Mayfield and a brother, Russell Renner.

Gravestone services and burial were held Wednesday, March 19, 2003 in the Phelps Cemetery. There will be no local visitation.

Local arrangements are by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Wannie Lee Lawson

Mrs. Wannie Lee Lawson, 58, of Indianapolis, IN, died Thursday, March 13, 2003 at St. Francis Hospital in Beechgrove, IN.

She was born April 26, 1944 in Wallins Creek, the daughter of the late Lee and Elsie Blanton Taylor. She attended Vineyard Community Church in Greenwood, Indiana, was a ten year employee at St. Francis Hospital, where she was an instrument room technician, was a member of AARP and enjoyed crafts and gardening.

Survivors include two sons, Timothy Wayne Lawson of Indianapolis, Ind. and Kevin Deley Lawson (Deborah) of Acton, Ind.; three grandchildren; three step grandchildren; three brothers, L.P. Taylor (Dolly), Moscoe Taylor (Tina), all of Broadhead and Tom Taylor (Beverly) of Science Hill; two sisters, Macell Eastwood of Ypsilanti, Michigan and Wanda Wilson of Independence, Kansas and a host of nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by an infant son, Christopher; two brothers, Davison Taylor and infant brother, Truman Taylor.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 16 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals in Broadhead with interment in the Piney Grove Cemetery.

Palibetters were: Timothy Lawson, Kevin Lawson, Davison Taylor, Michael Taylor, Tom Taylor and Dallas Lawson.

Obituaries courtesy of local funeral homes



Minnie Inez Hill

Minnie Inez Hill, 82 of Keller Road in London, died Monday, March 17, 2003 at the Baptist Regional Medical Center in Corbin.

Mrs. Hill, the widow of Harold Hill, was born in Claiborne County, Tennessee on January 24, 1921, the daughter of the late Roscoe and Minnie Evelyn (Price) Norton. She was a retired secretary and bookkeeper and a member of the Philadelphia Church of God.

Survivors include a son, Don Hamm (Carolyn) of Lily; one daughter, Tonya Ostendine and fiance Stanley Cook of London; a brother, Leslie Norton, Jr. (Bernice) of London; three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 23 at London's Farnham Home with Lovell Griffith officiating. Burial was in the Freedom Cemetery in Rockcastle County.

In Loving Memories



Gerald E. Rowe

Gerald E. Rowe, 32 of Greenfield, IN, son of L.J. Rowe of Mt. Vernon, died Saturday, March 15, 2003.

Mr. Rowe was born August 1, 1970, was a graduate of Rockcastle County High School and was a brick layer for Sego Construction Co.

Besides his father, Mr. Rowe is survived by his mother, Monica Sue McPherson of Greenfield, IN; a brother, David Lee Rowe of Lexington; two sisters, Jennifer Spomerson of Crab Orchard and Penny Cecil of Greenfield, IN and his grandparents, Violet and Gerald Tutrow of Greenfield, IN.

Following private family services, burial will be in Park Cemetery in Greenfield, IN.

Memorials are suggested to the Family of Gerald Rowe c/o Pasco Memorial Mortuary, 1780 W. Main St., Greenfield, IN 46140.

Letting Go is Hard To Do

By: Debbie Barnett
Two years ago, the Lord called you home. It broke our hearts into.
Everything around us, Dad,
Makes us think of you.

We go to visit Mom
As we walk inside the door,
We look over at your recliner
You're not sitting there any more.

We sit at her table to eat,
Bless our food in prayer.
At the end of the table,
Sits another empty chair.

We go to church on Sundays,
We hear your favorite songs,
As they sing Amazing Grace,
It's hard to sing along.

One day the Lord will call us all,
Again, we all shall be
in the circle of His love,
As one big family.

Until that day shall come,
We will always think of you.
For letting go of you, Dad,
Was the hardest thing to do.

This poem is in Loving Memory of Luther Smith, who passed away March 9, 2001.
You are sadly missed by your wife, children and grandchildren

In Memory of Sarah Westfield who died March 16 She has been gone so long. She passed away March of 1971. But, the memories still linger on. I know she is at rest. But when that trumpet sounds, she will rise up to meet the Master. She was beautiful, but when she meets her Lord, she will be so bright. Dressed in her beautiful white robe.

She suffered so much. That awful disease Cancer took her life. She was a "bright shining light" to everyone she met. As she shakes hands with her Master, all her families will join in the beautiful song. She will sing, "We'll make all Heaven ring." Oh those beautiful shoes upon her feet. They were gold as she marched through the beautiful land.

Lora Hamilton

Hospice announces grief series and series for parents who have lost a child

Hospice Care Plus' Bereavement Program has just completed its schedule of Grief Discussion Series for the Spring. The Bereavement Coordinator, Therese Hildebrand, CSW, has planned a series for four separate locations throughout March, April and May. In addition, this year Hospice adds a new Grief Discussion Series to its schedule: "Parent Grief Discussion Series," which is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a child. "We have been asked by several families to offer a series for parents who have lost a child so, in response, we are beginning the Parent Grief Discussion Series in April. There is clearly a need for support, and we're pleased we can help meet it," says Hildebrand. The parent series will take place in Berea on April 3, 10 and 17.

The other series for adults who

have experienced a loss will take place in March in Sand Gap and Waco, in Beattyville in April and in Berea in May. Each is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Pre-registration is required. To get dates and other information for these sessions, or to pre-register, contact Therese Hildebrand at 986-1500, ext. 225, or 1-800-806-5492, ext. 223. Individuals may attend at any location they prefer.

The Grief Discussion Series functions much as a support group, and can be a helpful resource for anyone dealing with a loss. The series gives participants an opportunity to meet with others with similar experiences, share stories and learn specific ways to cope. There is no charge for the series, though donations are accepted. Each series is facilitated by Therese Hildebrand, CSW, Hospice Care Plus Bereavement Coordinator.

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For more information call 256-5648 or 256-5692.