

Obituaries



Rhoda Brown

Mrs. Rhoda Brown, 90, of Sigmon Street, Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, June 29, 2003 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Broadhead.

She was born May 27, 1913 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Campbell and Nancy Wynn Gibbons and enjoyed sewing, crocheting and gardening and attended the Pentecostal Church.

Survivors are two sons, Everett E. Brown of Millington, Tenn. and Robert L. Brown of Salem, Ind.; two daughters, Mrs. Amelia Furmon of Mt. Vernon and Mrs. Audrey Furmon of Richmond, Indiana; 13 grandchildren; several great grandchildren and several great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert Brown and by one son, Sidney Grant Brown.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 1, 2003 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Allen Hensley officiating. Burial was in the Beavick Cemetery in Marysville, Indiana on July 2, 2003.



Flora Hopkins

Mrs. Flora Hopkins, 82 of Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon, died Friday, June 27, 2003 at the Rockcastle Hospital.

She was born October 12, 1920 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of the late Charles and Bessie Nickey Blackburn, was a retired Cowden employee, enjoyed quilting, canning and gardening and was a member of the Mt. Vernon Pentecostal Church. Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Sue Curry of Richmond; a sister, Mrs. Mae McQueen of Hamilton, Ohio; two grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John T. Hopkins; five brothers, four sisters and one infant sister.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 30, 2003 at Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Buford Parkerson and Bro. Ryan Lewis officiating. Burial was in Mareburg Cemetery. Pallbearers were Tommy Blackburn, Chris Curry, Carl Adams, Mark Hopkins, Donnie Evergoale and Carl Bowser.



James Starling Cress

James Starling Cress, 82, of Livingston, died Monday, June 30, 2003 at the Hazard Nursing Home in Hazard. He was born in Rockcastle County March 17, 1921, the son of Joe and Fannie Cromer Cress, was a retired railroad worker for L&N Railroad and attended the Holiness Church.

Survivors are a daughter, Marie Baker of Mt. Vernon; 16 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren and 7 great great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Martha Alice Cress; a daughter, a stepdaughter and a sister.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 2 at the Sand Hill Baptist Church by Bro. Billy Medley. Burial was in the Sand Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Chuck Baker, Frank Baker, Donald Hellard, Michael Baker, Albert Hellard and Adam Hellard.

Dowell & Martin Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Condolences to the family may be made by visiting www.dowellmartin.com

Bernice Griffin

Mrs. Bernice Griffin, 90, formerly of Lovell Lane, Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, June 29, 2003 at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born in Livingston on March 3, 1913, the daughter of Dan M. and Mary Amy Mullins Ponder. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Mt. Vernon.

Survivors are a sister, Agnes Carroll of Clinton, TN; a brother, Austin Dycher Ponder of Lancaster and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, July 1 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. J. William Hall. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery. Condolences to the family may be made by visiting www.dowellmartin.com

Owen Smith

Owen Smith, 75, of Rt. 1, Broadhead, widower of Wilma Jean Adams Smith, died Tuesday, June 24, 2003 at his residence.

He was born January 21, 1928 in Broadhead, a son of James and Mealey Ellen Brook Smith. He was a retired 38-year employee of Champion Paper Mill in Middletown, Ohio, a member of the Protestant Faith and the Rockcastle Co. Saddle Club. His interests and hobbies included horses, gardening and people.

Survivors include two sons, Ron B. Smith (June) of Crab Orchard and Larry O. Smith of Camden, Ohio; three sisters, Bernice Williams and Jean Hoskins, both of Broadhead and Evelyn Powers of Crab Orchard; two grandchildren and six great grandchildren plus a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents and wife, Mr. Smith was preceded in death by two brothers, Luther and Earl Smith and one sister, S.J. Brown.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 27 at Ottawa Baptist Church with Bro. Shelby Reynolds officiating. Burial was in the Ottawa Cemetery.

Casketbearers were Michael and Steve Powers, Terry and Jimmy Hoskins, Jerry Brown and Ronnie Smith. Contributions suggested to Hospice Care Plus.

Arrangements were by the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home.

Harriet Gorman Dean Williams

Harriet Gorman Dean Williams, 73, of Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon, died suddenly Monday, June 30, 2003 at the Rockcastle Hospital of an apparent heart attack.

She was a Pittman, New Jersey native, born January 16, 1930, the daughter of Elmwood Gorman, Sr. and Nadie Fletcher Gorman. A former Churchill Weaver employee, she was also a member of Liberty Avenue Baptist Church and of Eastern Star and had been a Kentucky resident most of her life.

Survivors are four children: Norman G. Dean, Jr. and Jimmy Dean (Kathy), both of Berea, Cheryl Souder of Odenton, Maryland and Beverly Mowery (Joe) of Mt. Vernon; her former husband, Norman Dean, Sr. of Berea; two brothers, two sisters; nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Williams, Sr., three brothers, two sisters, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 3 at 1 p.m. at Liberty Avenue Baptist Church in Berea with pastor Kevin Clark officiating. Burial will follow in Berea Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Joe Mowery, Ned Barrineau, Mike Mowery, Jeff Dean, Jared Dean, Douglas Pratt. Reppert Funeral Home in Berea is in charge of arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

Sign the guest register at www.ReppertFuneralHome.com

In Memory

In Loving Memory of my Dad, Dewey Robinson

By Marie Burns

We lost our mom, he lost his love When the Lord took her above. A special one; she had to be. Or else she'd still be here with me. He was so strong, his head held high. "Come all my children, let's say goodbye."

The nine of us; we all walked past. The oldest first, the youngest last. We kissed her cheek and walked away.

Not one of us knew what to say. We laid her to rest on a winter day. Out in the Briarfield, in that cold, cold clay.

Later, a lonely lady, my dad did take. Maybe less for him, and more for our sake.

They held us together and raised this crew. We tolled the land, so much to do! A song leader, deacon and elder he became.

Church was his passion, everyone knew his name. His flatted truck, he handed it down. With grown-ups and children from all over town.

To church we would go, come rain or shine. Even if it snowed, he didn't mind. At time went by, and we grew up. We sure had fun on the back of that truck.

As he grew old and gray, how quickly time flies! Again, we all gathered to say our good-bye.

So quiet and humble, as he did pray. "Lord, I'm ready to go, take me home today."

That good man we then laid to rest. Just to know him, we were blessed.

Card of Thanks

Hobert William Wyatt was laid to rest June 20, 2003. His family would like to thank each one who said a special prayer for us, called, sent flowers, pictures, food, cards, visited or came to the funeral services.

We would like give a Special thanks to Julia McClain for singing, Chris Dickerson for playing special music, Pastor Fred Calkins, and Michal Wyatt for the special message and memories that was spoken. We would like to thank his pallbearers: Anthony Dover, Gary Rucker, James Rucker, Danny Wyatt, Kenny Wyatt, Ryan Wyatt, and Tracey Wyatt. Your grandpas would have been so proud of each one of you. We appreciate the lunch that the SDA Church provided the family after the funeral. We would like to thank House & Krollings Funeral Home for their invaluable support and thoughtfulness.

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Peggy Rash Artley

Mrs. Peggy Rash Artley, 28, of Mt. Vernon, died Friday, June 27, 2003 in Richmond. She was born August 1, 1974 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of Billy and Brenda McKnew Rash of Rt. 5, Mt. Vernon. She was a homemaker and a member of the Pentecostal faith.

Survivors are one daughter, Breanna Artley of Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Joe Rash of Somerset and Billy Gene Rash of Mt. Vernon and one sister, Angie Rash of Mt. Vernon.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 4 at the Faith Chapel Pentecostal Church with Bro. Virgil Bustle and Bro. Vernon Doan officiating. Burial will be in the Griffith Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be: Michael Allen, Chris Baker, Josh Baker, Donald Abney, Betty Milburn and Steve Milburn.

Cox Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Winfred Ray DeBord

Winfred Ray DeBord, 63, of Hwy. 150 East, Crab Orchard, died Tuesday, June 24, 2003 at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington.

He was born April 25, 1940, a son of George Benton and Virginia Estella Turner DeBord. He was a member of the Union Chapel Church, an Army Veteran and a security guard for the North Point-Danville Correctional Facility. His special interests and hobbies include fishing and playing the guitar.

Survivors include two sons, Ray Thomas DeBord (Julie) and Roger DeBord, both of Ft. Meyers, Florida; a daughter, Nancy Collins (Colin) of Milford, Ohio; his former wife, Ruth Ratliff of Cincinnati, Ohio; a brother, William Arnold DeBord (Charlotte) of Stanford; three sisters, Wanda Johnson, (Elmer) of Mitchellburg, Irene Berger of Broadhead and Bonnie Overbay of Broadhead; and three grandchildren as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant son and infant brother, Harold.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 28, 2003 at the Marvin E. Owens Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Edward Turpin officiating. Burial was in the DeBord Cemetery in Broadhead.

Casketbearers were: Dan McCarter, John Stamper, Elmer Johnson, Barry Wilson, Troy Johnson and Bill DeBord. Honorary casketbearer was George DeBord.

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