

Obituaries



Bessie Mint Kirby

Mrs. Bessie Mint Kirby, 87, of Sand Springs Road in Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, November 16, 2003 at her home. She was born in Rockcastle County May 5, 1916, the daughter of Jim and Helen Rash Cromer, was a homemaker and a member of the First Church of Jesus Christ at Sand Springs.

She is survived by a son, Paul Kirby (Clarice) of Mt. Vernon; seven daughters, Lois Nicely (James) and Lorene Doan (Jesse), all of Mt. Vernon; Doris Sowder (Jimmy) of Cincinnati, Ohio; Valice Buck (Kenneth) of Franklin, IN; Villa Tingle (Jeff) of New Whiteland, IN and Sue Osters (James) and Jenny Vickers (Gary), all of Berea; 40 grandchildren; 87 great grandchildren and several great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil Kirby; a son, Thomas Kirby and a daughter, Linda Lou Kirby.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 19 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home chapel by Bro. James Nicely. Burial was in the Tom Stephens Cemetery at the First Church of Jesus Christ in Sand Springs.

Pallbearers were: Gary Nicely, James Sowder, Doug Kirby, Brian Doan, Michael Houk, Tommy (Tr.) Kirby and Tony Hall.

Condolences to the family of Mrs. Kirby may be made by visiting her online register book at www.dowellmartin.com

Herman Hundley

Herman Hundley, 86, of Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, November 16, 2003 at his home. Mr. Hundley was the owner of Hundley's Grocery on 1016 in Berea and was a member of the Berea Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors are his wife, Sueella Stone Hundley; three daughters, Claudia Wren (Boyd), Chrystal Powell (William), both of Mt. Vernon and Daphne Bond (Jerry) of Berea; two special friends, Carolyn and Eugene Bowling; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Mr. Hundley was preceded in death by his parents, John H. and Sarah Elizabeth Murray Hundley and 11 brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 19 at Lakes Funeral Home with Rev. Kenny Davis, Rev. Ova Land and Rev. Steve McKinney officiating. Burial was in the Berea Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Larry Dale Bullen, Eugene Brandenburg, Kendall Gadd, Lowell Murray, Jim McWhorter and John Powell. Honorary bearers will be: Ira Carr, Frank Hensley, Oscar Gregory, Marvin Ponder and grandchildren and spouses.



Dora Stacy Hamm

Mrs. Dora Stacy Hamm, 88, of Carl Brown Road, Brodhead, died Monday, November 17, 2003 at the Rockcastle County Hospital.

She was born October 30, 1915 in Jackson, the daughter of John and Margaret Johnson Stacy, was a homemaker and enjoyed quilting. She was also a member of the Otawa Baptist Church.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Dalmas "Hopper" Hamm, an infant, Ruth Mae Hamm and a sister, Carrie.

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Survivors include three children, Jenny Lou Wasson (Marvin) of Jabez and Dalmas Wayne Hamm; and Lillian Joyce Hamm, both of Lexington; one grandson; eight step grandchildren and a brother, Ola Stacy of Lexington.

Funeral services were held Thursday, November 20 at the Ottawa Baptist Church with Bro. Jim Craig officiating. Burial followed in the Ottawa Cemetery.

Casketbearers were: David Wayne Hamm, Bill Benge, Roy Wayne Wright, Randy Morefield, Danny Bruce Hamm and Larry Benge.

Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals was in charge of arrangements.

Myrile Faye Payne

Mrs. Myrile Faye Payne, 62, widow of Clyde Payne, Rt. 1, Mt. Vernon, died November 19, 2003 at the Rockcastle Health and Rehab in Brodhead.

Visitation for Mrs. Payne will be Thursday, November 20 (today) from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals in Brodhead.

Funeral services will be Friday, November 21 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home chapel.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's paper.

Mary Gertrude Carlson

Mary Gertrude Chastain Carlson, 86, of Ludington, Michigan, died Saturday, October 25, 2003. She was born in 1917 at Disputanta, the daughter of Sherman and Nancy Gatlin Chastain. Her father was a school teacher and state representative and Mrs. Chastain was postmistress at Disputanta and later at

Brymo. Mary Gertrude worked for S.S. Kresge Co. and J.C. Penney's.

Survivors are one son, Carl E. Carlson of Spring Lake, Michigan; four grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; a brother, Bruce Chastain of Conway, S.C. and one sister, Ruby Reaser of Victorville, CA. Also, her special friend, Ralph Meisenheimer.

Mrs. Carlson was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Carlson in 1975; her parents and six brothers and sisters: Jessie Norton, Edith Branscome, Ollie Norton, John Chastain, Edward Chastain and Kenneth Chastain.

Services for Mrs. Carlson were conducted Wednesday, October 29 at the Dorrell Funeral Home in Ludington, Michigan. Memorial contributions may be made to Berea College, Berea, Ky.



Reca Christine Abney

Mrs. Reca Christine Abney, 90, of 204 Conway Road, Berea, died Tuesday, November 18, 2003 at the Rockcastle Hospital after a long illness. She was born April 22, 1913 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of Charles and Eva Johnson Baker, was a retired custodian for Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and was a member of the Brindle Ridge Baptist Church.

Survivors include six sons: Bill Abney of New Madison, OH; Aaron Abney of Colorado Springs, CO; Garnett and Walter Abney, both of Mt. Vernon; John Abney of Harrison, IN and Lanny Abney of Oxford, OH; two daughters: Mrs. Anna Joyce Morrison of Dayton, OH and Mrs. Carla Dean Kienzie of Bradenton, FL; three brothers, James Baker of Dayton, Ohio, Byron Baker of Mt. Vernon and Charles Baker of Dayton, OH; one sister, Mrs. Irene Dooley of Dayton, OH; 19 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Lee Abney and by two sons, one brother and two sisters.

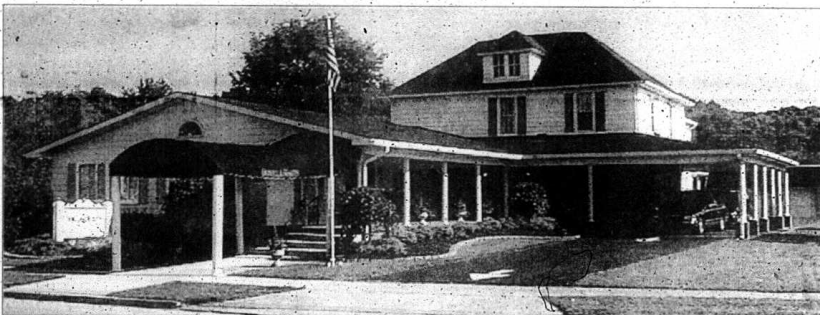
Funeral services will be held Saturday, November 22 at Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eddie Nation officiating. Burial will be in Mariet Cemetery.

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