

OBITUARIES

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Sunday, December 8, 2013

Ronnie S. Collins, 64

Ronnie S. Collins, age 64, of Racetrack Road in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, December 8, 2013, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington, following a long illness.

He was born May 27, 1949 in Scott County and was the son of the late Hugar and Frances Barnhill Collins. He was a retired Quality Manufacturing employee and a member of the Great Crossing Baptist Church.

Mr. Collins is survived by his wife, Virse Barnes Collins; one daughter, April Vance, Georgetown; two sons: Eddie Collins, Irvine; and Joe Collins, Georgetown; one half-sister, Joann Coyle, Lexington; five grandchild-

ren: Tiffany, Noah, Maryanna, Joseph and Colton; and one great grandchild, Nevah.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Hugar Wayne Collins.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 10th at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Ted Barker. Burial was at the Stone Cemetery. Friends called between 11:00 a.m. and service time, Tuesday, at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were Sandy Barnes, Wallace Barnes, Jessie Barnes, David Barnes, Scotty Barnes, Brian Barnes, Richie Barnes and Willie Sparks.

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Thursday, December 5, 2013

Mildred Sparks Eldridge, 79

Mildred Sparks Dawson Eldridge, age 79, passed away on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at her home.

Mrs. Eldridge was born on January 30, 1934 to the late Jesse Everett and Maggie Elizabeth Rawlins Sparks in Estill County. She was a member of Grace Baptist Church and attended The Church of the Living God.

She is survived by her two children: Donald Dawson (Elizabeth) and Sandy Wiloughby (Gary), both of Winchester; two granddaughters: Cynthia Campbell (Paul) of Winchester and Julie-Anne Dixon (Jason) of Richmond; six great grandchildren: Dawson, Jaley-Anne, Ethan, Isaac, Lily Rose and Elianna Grace Dixon, all of Richmond; eight siblings: Hubert Sparks (Louise) of Winchester, Charlie Sparks (Peggy) of Irvine, Clyde Sparks (Patty) of Oxford, Ohio, Lucille Brandenburg (Matt) of Irvine, Edith Rainey (Harold) of Winchester, Helen Fallen (Kelly) of Lexington,

Jesse Sparks (Crystal) and Ernest Sparks (Cheryi), both of Winchester; and many nieces, nephews and good friends.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Herman Sparks.

Visitation was 5-7 p.m., Sunday, December 8 at Scobee Funeral Home, 219 West Lexington Avenue, Winchester. Funeral services were conducted at 10:00 a.m., Monday, December 9 at Scobee Funeral Home by Rev. Pat Finley and Rev. Tom Hall. Burial was in the Winchester Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Paul Campbell, Jason Dixon, Eric Sparks, Jason Rainey, Michael Brandenburg and Jeff Lewis.

Honorary pallbearers were Mattie Wasson, Mary Hurst and her College Park Walking Buddies.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice East, 407 Shoppers Village Dr. Winchester, KY 40391.

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Sunday, December 8, 2013

Clarence Estes, 83

Clarence Estes, age 83, of Dawes Road in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, December 8, 2013, at his home following a short illness.

He was born June 2, 1930 in Lee County and was the son of the late Gentry and Edna Thacker Estes. He was a retired construction worker and attended the Pentecostal Church of God. He had lived in Estill County most of his life.

Mr. Estes was preceded in death by his wife, Ida Johnson Estes.

He is survived by three daughters: Nina Lou Cassidy, Brenda Riddell both of Estill County; and Earlene Hicks, Berea; two sons: Earl Wayne Estes and Clarence Estes Jr., both of Estill County; one sister, Emma Jean

Keith, Estill County; and several grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Norma Johnson; five sisters: Nina Farris, Ula Mae Yancey, Dorothy Freeman, Udell Estes and Aileen Bray; and five brothers: Joe, Carl, Billy Gene, Carl Fred and Thomas Estes.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 11th at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Beverly Arvin. Burial will be at the West Irvine Cemetery. Friends may call between 11:00 a.m. and service time at 2 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home.

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Monday, December 2, 2013

Evelyn Mays Fox, 91

Evelyn Lucille Mays Fox, age 91, of Newport News, Virginia, passed away Monday, December 2, 2013, at her home.

She was born October 31, 1922 in Ravenna, Kentucky, and was the daughter of the late Elisha B. and Sarah Margaret McIntosh Mays. She was a homemaker and a member of the Irvine First Church of God. She had lived in Estill County most of her life.

Mrs. Fox was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Cecil Fox.

She is survived by three daughters: Carolyn Gould, North Carolina; Jane Rogers and Evelyn Tackett, both of Irvine; two sisters: Francine Easton, California; and Kathleen Gerlaugh, Florence; nine grandchildren, 15

great grandchildren and four great, great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters: Beulah Keen and Ina Ruth Piva; five brothers: Charles, Russell, George, Elisha Jr. and Travis Mays; and one grandchild, Sandra Carol Tackett.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, December 7 at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Doyle Thomas. Burial was at the Sunset Memorial Gardens. Friends called between 6 and 9 p.m., Friday, December 6 at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were Dennis Weaver, Josh Weaver, Tom Gould, Tim Gould, Jamie Neal, Wayne Rogers, Darlene Bloom, Tony Neal, Cecil Neal and Robert Sanders.

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Tuesday, December 3, 2013

Nellie Johnson Noland, 72

Mrs. Nellie (Johnson) Noland, age 72, of La Fontaine, Indiana; died Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at Parkview Hospital in Ft. Wayne. She had spent the last several years at Millers Merry Manor of Wabash.

Nellie was the daughter of the late Edgar Johnson and Dorothy (Richards) Johnson. She was born on April 5, 1941 in Irvine, Kentucky. Nellie married Franklin R. Noland. He preceded her in death on December 5, 1989. Nellie was a homemaker and foster parent. She shared her home and loved 22 foster children. She was a gardener and a seamstress. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by one daughter: Tina Sheron, LaFontaine, Indiana; two sons: Frank Noland (Susan) of Greenwood, Indiana; and Roy Noland, LaFontaine, Indiana; two sisters: Helen (Garvin) Angel, North

Carolina; and Betty Ballard (Wayne), Lexington, Kentucky; and five grandchildren: Michael Sheron (Yulia), Heather Sheron; Joshua, Aaron, Princess, and Quinn Noland; one great grandchild, Lorelai Noland; and one on the way.

Visitation took place on Friday, December 6, 2013 from 12-2 p.m. at Warren F. Toler Funeral Home. Funeral service immediately followed at 2 p.m., with burial in West Irvine Cemetery, Irvine, KY.

Pallbearers were Joshua Noland, Roy Noland, Michael Sheron, J.T. Slusher, Frank Noland and Aaron Noland.

Memorial contributions may be made to ECHS Backpack Buddies Program, 397 Engineer Road, Irvine, KY 40336.

Indiana arrangements were handled by Armes-Hunt Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 415 S. Main St., Fairmount, Indiana.

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Saturday, December 7, 2013

Nancy Ann Tipton, 33

Nancy Ann Tipton, age 33, of Mountain Crest in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Saturday, December 7, 2013, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington as the result of an automobile accident.

She was born November 26, 1980, in Estill County and was the daughter of the Robert Ray Tipton Sr. and the late Jenny Welmenia Jones Tipton. She was employed at Wendy's and was a member of the Ivory Hill Baptist Church. She had lived in Estill County all of her life.

Ms. Tipton is survived by her father, Robert Ray Tipton Sr., Irvine; one daughter, Paige Angela Beneccia Watson, at home; two sons: Jacob Lee Tipton and Casey James Watson, both at home; two sisters: Jenny Francine Tipton, Winchester; and Elizabeth Angela Marie Richardson, Estill County; two brothers: Robert Tipton Jr., Estill County; and Oliver Walter Clay Tipton, Winchester; her companion: Jimmy Watson; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be conducted at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, December 12th at the Ivory Hill Baptist Church by Bro. Marvin Neal.

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Monday, December 2, 2013

Hickman Patrick, 99



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Hickman Patrick was born January 7, 1914, to W. G. and Edith McKinney Patrick in Kimbrell, Kentucky. He grew up in Hargett, Kentucky, in Estill County, just a few miles from the homestead of his great, great grandfather Thomas Patrick who homesteaded in the area now designated as Clark County before Kentucky was a state. In 1931, he graduated from Alvan Drew School in Wolfe County, a Methodist boarding school, and in 1937 from Union College in Barbourville, Kentucky.

For ten years, part of them while attending Union, he taught elementary school in one-room schools in Estill County and in the Hargett Consolidated School, where he met Elise Sams. They married on June 12, 1940. In 1942, he graduated from the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture and was honored as Distinguished Alumnus from the Quicksand Region in 1981. He was an avid Kentucky Wildcat Basketball fan. In the fall of 1942, he began a 38-year career of teaching Vocational Agriculture--in Lee County High School 1942-1948, Owsley County High School 1948-1959, and Lee County High School 1959-1980. He taught many in these two counties, advising them in FFA, supervising their farming programs, taking them on trips to FFA Camp, the Kentucky State Fair, and the FFA conventions, encouraging them to find their place and do their best. Since agriculture was an Essential Occupation during WWII, he contributed to the war effort by running a cannery, teaching adult farming classes at night and supervising a Veteran's Training Program in agriculture as the war ended. He was a lifetime member of the Farm Bureau, having been a founding member of the Owsley County Chapter, organized in 1944. He served on the board for several years and was president from 1982-1987. He was a member of the Booneville Lion's Club and served as its president. He was very interested in public libraries and the availability of books for his students and community. As a teacher in the one-room schools, he carried books to his school from the Board of Education. In Owsley County he served as the Chairman of the Owsley County Public Library Board of Trustees from 1974-1989. While Chairman of the Board, he was instrumental in getting a bookmobile for Owsley County. Based on the work of the Board of Trustees during his term of service as chairman, the trustees were awarded the 1990 Outstanding Board of Trustees Award. He was a lifetime member of the Friends of the Owsley County Public Library. The library was written up in the Lexington Herald as "The Little Library that Could" for its success in building a library and programs and finding ways to fund this with little money. A generation of

children in Owsley County along with his grandchildren knew him as the "real" Santa Claus at the public library and a local retail business. He vividly remembered making his profession of faith on Sunday morning as a young boy in Jackson Chapel United Methodist Church and recalled how that day, as he rode home from church in the buggy between his father and mother, the sun shone brighter than he had ever seen it. He supported this church for the rest of his life. He was a member of the Booneville Methodist Church for 32 years serving as Sunday School Superintendent and Sunday School teacher of high school-aged students for all of those years. He retired in 1980 and moved to Burgin, Kentucky in 1987, where he became a member of the Burgin Methodist Church.

Mr. Patrick is survived by three of his four children: Frances Clark (Annie) of Nashville, Tennessee; Peggy Branam of Harrodsburg, and Bill Patrick (Twana) of Burgin; one son-in-law: Barry Crawford (Anne) of Savannah, Georgia; six grandchildren: Anne Elise Napier (Kelly) and Mary Frances Clark of Nashville, Tennessee; Cathy Crawford (Ben) of Savannah, Georgia; Patrick Branam (Amy) of Harrodsburg, Laura Collier (Jeremy) of Finchville, Kentucky; and Susie Patrick of Burgin, KY; and eight great grandchildren: Lilliana, Michaela, and Rio Napier, Emiline Baxter, Blaine and Molly Collier, and Braydon and Bryson Branam; and a host of nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and cousins of the McKinney, Patrick, and Sams families.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, December 4, 5-8 p.m., at the Alexander and Royalty Funeral Home in Harrodsburg, and on Thursday morning, December 5, 9:00-10:00 a.m. at Burgin Baptist Church and on Thursday, December 5, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Jackson's Chapel United Methodist Church, 3010 Spout Springs Road (Hwy 82, Estill County) Irvine, KY. Funeral Service--Thursday, December 5, 3:00-4:00 p.m. Jackson's Chapel United Methodist Church. Burial in the Jackson's Chapel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial gifts be sent to the "Friends of the Owsley County Public Library," P. O. Box 240, Booneville, KY 41314.

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Tuesday, December 3, 2013

Bonnie Harris Rankin, 92

Bonnie Harris Rankin, age 92, of Winchester, Kentucky, widow of Linville "Jack" Rankin, passed away on Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at her home.

Mrs. Rankin was born in Estill County on March 5, 1921 to the late Robert Dudley and Gertrude Sparks Harris. She was a homemaker and a member of the Clark County Homemakers and Central Baptist Church.

Survivors include her son: Robert Allen Rankin of Covington; and her brother: William Allen Harris (Patricia) of Tampa, Florida.

She was preceded in death by five sisters: Della Gaines, Tina Wood, Louvia Allen, Virgie Angel, and Rhoda Harris.

Visitation was from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 5 at Scobee Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. by Pastor Lee Cruse. Burial followed in the Winchester Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Clark County Home Health Agency, 273 Shoppers Drive, Winchester, KY 40391.

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