

# OBITUARIES

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Thursday, November 5, 2020

## William Earl Bledsoe, 73

William Earl Bledsoe, age 73, passed away on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at St. Joseph Main in Lexington, Kentucky after a short illness.

Born October 17, 1947 in Fayette County, Kentucky, he was the son of the late Edward and Lois Barker Bledsoe. He was a former manager of Lewis-Abner Home for Funerals for 41 years.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by one brother, Ernest Bledsoe; and one sister, Chloann Clevenger.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sherrel Bledsoe; and two sons, William Arthur Bledsoe (Stephanie Butler) and Edward Brent Bledsoe (Kristy); three grandchildren, Josh, Kaitlyn and Emma Bledsoe; and one brother, Bobby Bledsoe of Clarksville Tennessee.

Funeral services officiated by Bro. Joe Lahmer will



**William Bledsoe**

be held privately at Oakdale Cemetery due to the Covid. Burial will be in Oakdale Cemetery with Josh Bledsoe, Parker Hall, Bev Hall, Gary Embs, Brad Hall and Brent Bledsoe serving as active pallbearers. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Les West, Charles Samples, Jr. Estes, Ray H, Hardy and Bob Pruitt.

Arrangements by Lewis-Abner Home for Funerals.. <LewisFH.com>

Thursday, November 4, 2020

## Daniel Wayne Martin, 65

Daniel Wayne Martin, age 65, husband of Barbara Napier Martin, passed away Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at his home in Stanton, Kentucky.

He was born March 21, 1955 in Irvine, Kentucky to the late Lemray and Ruth Whisman Martin. He was retired from Clark Energy Cooperative.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Martin; a son, John Martin, Clay City; two daughters, Re-

becca Martin and Angela Martin, both of Stanton; and a sister, Freda Shoemaker, Lexington.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Bill Martin; and a sister, Brenda Rogers.

In lieu of flowers, donations suggested to Hospice East, 407 Shoppers Drive, Winchester, KY 40391.

Davis and Davis Funeral Home of Stanton was in charge of arrangements.

<DavisandDavisFuneralHome.com>

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

## James Edward Townsend, 54

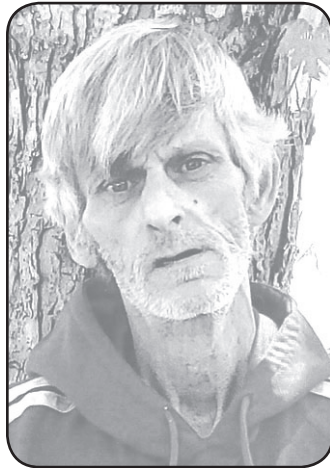
James Edward "Murdock" Townsend, age 54, of Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at the Hospice Compassionate Care Center in Richmond.

He was born April 2, 1966 in Richmond, Kentucky, to James and Mary Townsend. He was a carpenter.

Mr. Townsend is survived by a daughter, Melissa Brinegar of Winchester; two grandchildren: Neveah Puckett and Mathew Townsend; four brothers: Cassius Townsend, Johnny Townsend (Amy), both of Irvine; Joe Townsend of Paris and Richard Neal of Irvine; and two sisters: Connie Estes (Jacob) and Dorothy Walling (Henry Knight), both of Irvine.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Mary Townsend; and a son, Michael Edward Townsend.

Funeral services were held 12:00 Noon, Friday, November 6, 2020 at the Grayson Funeral Home Chapel in Ir-



**James Townsend**

vine with Bro. Scott Rogers officiating. Friends visited Friday from 10:00 a.m. 'till time of the service. Burial was in the Oakdale Cemetery in Irvine.

Pallbearers were Joe Townsend, Johnny Townsend, Richard Neal, Clayton Mays, Steve Hoover and Earl Willis..

Honorary pallbearers were Josh Walling, Mathew Townsend and Neveah Puckett.

<GraysonFuneral.net>

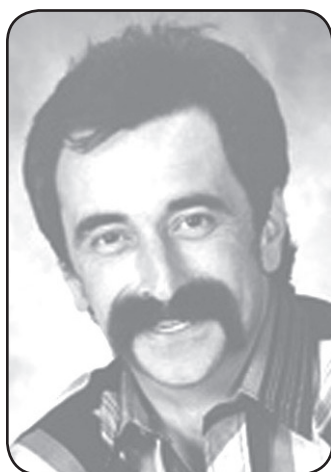
Wednesday, October 28, 2020

## James Allen Wiser, 66

James Allen Wiser, age 66, of Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at Spring View Hospital in Lebanon, Kentucky. He was born February 2, 1954 in Lebanon.

He is preceded in death by his father, James Wesley Wiser; two sons, Jason Allen Wiser and Wesley Earnest Wiser; and a sister, Diane Renee Wiser.

Mr. Wiser is survived by his mother, Mary Wiser; two daughters, Amanda Byrd and Stacy Hyatt (Ben); four brothers: Jimmy Wiser (Marie), David Wiser (Vicky), Russ Wiser (Bonnie), and Terry Wiser; two sisters: Donna Bradshaw (Tom) and Michelle Wiser (Vance Ellis); and five grandchildren: "Donna Doo" Byrd, Mercedes "Booger Bear" Byrd, Cassie Hyatt, Aaron Hyatt, and Joseph Hyatt. Also sur-



**Allen Wiser**

living are several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, November 1, 2020 at Bosley Funeral Home in Lebanon, Kentucky. Interment followed in Old Liberty Cemetery. Visitation was held from 10:00 a.m. until time of service, Sunday, at the funeral home.

<BosleyFuneralHome.com>

## In Memory of Bill Wilcox

Saturday, March 14, 2020

### Billy Wilcox, 88



VETERAN

On Saturday, March 14, 2020, Billy Eugene Wilcox, loving husband and father of four children, passed away at home at the age of 88.

A native of Estill County, Billy was born June 12, 1931 in West Irvine, Kentucky. He was the son of the late Henry Ben Wilcox and Cecil K. Lunsford.

He served in the Kentucky National Guard and the US Army, Second Armored Division in Germany during the Korean War. He retired from Standard Products Company after 35 years service. Billy was a member of Eastland Church of God. He loved his God, his family and his country. He loved gardening, fishing and life in general. He was a big UK fan; especially the girls basketball team

Billy is survived by his wife Imogene "Jean" Withers Wilcox; one son, Billy E. Wilcox II, Wilkinson, Indiana; three daughters: Debi Baugh, Brevard, North Carolina; Kathy Skinner, Lexington; and Christina Bledsoe, Blythewood, South Carolina; five grandsons: Michael Coldren, Lexington; Will Baugh, Columbia, South



**Billy Wilcox**

Carolina; David Bledsoe, Ben Bledsoe and Gregory Bledsoe, all of Blythewood, South Carolina; and one niece, Angela Zengerle, Etters, Pennsylvania.

Besides his parents, Billy was preceded in death by his brother, Henry Ben Wilcox Jr.; and a granddaughter, Sarah C. Baugh.

Memorial services were held Friday August 14, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at Eastland Church of God with Pastor Rob Kespelher and Pastor Justin Linseisen officiating.

Arrangements were by Care Cremation Funeral Services of Lexington.

<CareCremationService.com>

# Church & Community

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## Salem Baptist is drop-off center Operation Christmas Shoebox Collection

Salem Baptist Church located at 4470 Spout Springs Road in Irvine will once again be the drop-off center for this years Operation Christmas Shoebox Collection. Social distancing will be observed, and mask will be worn. No one will need to get out of their vehicles. Pull into our parking lot at the designated spots and someone will come to your vehicle, pray over the shoeboxes, and carry them inside for you. Collection dates for this year are as follows:

Monday	November 16	5:00-7:00PM
Tuesday	November 17	11:00AM-1:00PM & 5-7PM
Wednesday	November 18	5:00-7:00PM
Thursday	November 19	5:00-8:00PM
Friday	November 20	5:00-8:00PM
Saturday	November 21	9:00AM-3:00PM
Sunday	November 22	1:00-4:00PM
Monday	November 23	8:00-10:00AM

If you have any questions, please call Danny Barnett at 606-643-5561 or April Stone at 606-643-6065.

## Open for appointment, Mon.-Sat. St. Elizabeth Church Basement Sales

We still need to shop by appointment only at St. Elizabeth Basement Sales, and usually I wait with Christmas items until after Thanksgiving. However I have gotten some really nice things in that can be used as Christmas gifts. So starting this weekend, I will have some really nice things out. So pass the word on to others, to call and make an appointment to shop.

Any day but Sunday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (606 723 8216.)

God bless you, Sister Theresa

## Friday, December 4th - 7-9pm Kiwanis Christmas "Reverse" Parade

The annual Kiwanis Christmas parade will be held this year but in a different manner. It will be a "Reverse Parade" on Friday, December 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. Due to Covid-19 the Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna has made the changes to safely hold the drive through event. Floats, that allow spacing, will be stationary and spectators will drive by thus making it reversed. The location for the set up will be on River Drive between Estill Avenue in Irvine to Ravenna City Park.

"Christmas Blessings" will be the theme of the parade. All groups, churches, schools, fire departments, businesses, and organizations are invited to participate. Floats will be judged and eligible for the prize money sponsored by Kiwanis. Judging will be based on the following: level of effort or difficulty, lighting display, and overall appearance. Prizes will be: 1st place - \$125, 2nd place - \$100, and 3rd place - \$75.

There is not a fee to set up a float. Please give Larry Stewart a courtesy call (606 723-4002) before Tuesday, December 1 to register. For further information contact Larry or email: thb@irvineonline.net or contact Irvine/Ravenna Kiwanis is on Facebook.

## Through end of February Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Launches On-Line Traffic School

Following red zone reduction recommendations to help combat the spread of COVID-19, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) Division of Driver Licensing will be offering virtual state traffic school and graduated driver licensing courses through the end of February 2021.

In-person classes for both programs will be halted temporarily, beginning today.

"Since March, when the COVID-19 pandemic began in the commonwealth, I have asked all of our Cabinets and state agencies to find innovative ways to keep Kentuckians healthy and to make our services more convenient," said Gov. Andy Beshear. "I'm proud that KYTC has done just that - these virtual classes are not only the safest option right now, but they're the easiest option for many students."

"This action is being taken in keeping with Gov. Beshear's recommendations for containing and combatting the spread of COVID-19," said Matt Cole, commissioner of the KYTC Department of Vehicle Regulation, which includes the Division of Driver Licensing.

Gov. Beshear's administration has issued specific guidelines for containing the spread of COVID-19 in "red zone" counties - those with a daily incidence rate of 25 or more new cases per 100,000 people. The guidelines, which aim to reduce Kentuckians' total contacts to stop the spread of the virus, include virtual operation of government offices not engaged in critical services.

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