

# OBITUARIES

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Friday, May 14, 2021

## Julia Lynn "Peachy" Tipton, 59

Julia Lynn "Peachy" Stamper Tipton, the wife of Tracy Arthur Tipton for 43 years and the daughter of the late Aaron and Ethel Katherine Estes Stamper, was born in Irvine, Kentucky on May 4, 1962 and departed this life in Louisville, Kentucky on May 14, 2021 at the age of 59 years and 10 days. She was a homemaker and a member of the Faith Baptist Church.

In addition to her husband, Peachy leaves behind her five children, Andrew Tipton, Jenny Tipton, Anita Holliman (Mike Jr.), Archie Tipton, and Amanda Sizemore (Matt); six grandchildren, Nathan, Shelby, Kim-

berly, Joshua, Noah, and Lydia; three brothers, Willard, Aaron Michael, and Tommy Stamper; three sisters, Katie Caudill, Jeanette Ross, and Connie Smallwood; and a host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, Mary Tipton, Janice Miller, and Jacklyn Stamper; and three brothers, Travis, Willie Levi, and Curtis Stamper.

Funeral services were conducted by Andrew Miller on Saturday, May 29, 2021, 1:00 p.m., at the Newnam Funeral Home Chapel, 108 Center Street in Beattyville. <NewnamFuneralHome.com>

Sunday, May 30, 2021

## Travis Townsend, 60

Travis Townsend, age 60, of Substation Road, in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, May 30, 2021, at his home, following a long illness.

He was born March 10, 1961, the son of the late Elmo and Lucille Combs Townsend. He was a salesman with Clay Ingles and had lived in Estill County all his life.

Mr. Townsend is survived by a son, Blake Townsend (Natasha), Estill County; four sisters: Brenda Woolery (Mason), Mary Hardy (Kiser), Wilma Willis, all of Estill County; and Debbie Conner (Ronnie), London, Kentucky; two brothers: Carlos Townsend (Mildred), Estill County; and Charles Townsend (Charlene), Montgomery County; his companion, Deanna Taylor; and several nieces and nephews.



Travis Townsend

Private funeral services will be held at a later date. Burial will be in the Townsend Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Brian Conner, Matt Conner, Aaron Conner, Phillip Townsend, Jeff Wayne Townsend, and Blake Townsend.

Warren F. Toler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

<TolerFuneralHome.com>

### Seeds of Hope



the same statements every time we visit: "You're working too hard. You're working too much. You need to go on a vacation or you will kill yourself. Why do you work so hard? Do you want to die?"

Each time we have this discussion I give him the same answer: "Dear friend, I am going to die. But I do not know when. So, I want to get as much done for the Lord as I possibly can. But I promise I will care for myself."

And then I remind him of Psalm 103:15-16: "As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field; the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more."

Our days may be few or they may be many. But one thing is for certain: We have fewer days to serve Him after today than we did yesterday. We must make each one count for our Lord.

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Quite frequently a dear, young friend who is very concerned about my health comes to my office to visit me. Each time we meet he "reviews" my work schedule and responsibilities in great detail. He wants to know what time I get to work and what time I leave; what I did on each Saturday and Sunday since we last talked. He wants to know the last time I preached at a church, where it was and how long it took me to drive to and from it. His questions are not meant to be invasive or abusive. He is concerned about my health and wants to know whether or not I am taking proper care of myself. After we conclude his lengthy interrogation, he looks at me and makes



by Dawn Reed  
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I was a nervous wreck! How did people watch this all the time?! I tried not to pray; it was a game, after all—a stressful, nail-biting game.

My beloved and I were watching the PGA Championship on Sunday. Phil Mickelson was strokes away from becoming the historical winner. They kept talking about "old this" and "old that" How old is Phil Mickelson, I Googled. Fifty. That is NOT that old!

I'm typically a fan of the underdog, but suddenly I was an interested fan of the "older-dog"!

Golf fans were skeptical. "Can he do it?" they whispered loudly into their microphones. Many thought he couldn't. "He's past his prime," the naysayers predicted.

Brooks Koepka was pressing down on him at just two strokes behind. Fans at home and at the golf course were watching so closely

# Rooting for the older guy

they could see every drop of Phil's sweat. We all held our breath as he addressed the ball, and then hit into the sand...and into the grass. It's too much pressure, I thought as I tried not to look.

"Will he use the chipping wedge?" I inquired of my beloved. (It's the only club I know but still couldn't pick it out of a bag.) And somehow, out of the thick grass, Phil chipped or something and the ball came flying onto the green, very close to the tee. A few putts later he became the oldest player to win a championship! I don't know Phil personally, but Sunday, I was a fan for sure.

I LOVE when people over 50 do big things. That may seem like "old" by society's standard, but not God's. In the Bible, some people were just getting started at that age.

Moses was 80 when he went to Pharaoh, proclaiming "Let my people go!" Imagine bloody water, frogs, flies, hail, lice, and darkness at the age of 80!

Noah would have a thing or two to say about doing big things in the golden years of life having become a dad at 500, then an ark builder and cruise director at 600. (We all know that God was really directing the boat.)

One of my favorite older Bible men is Caleb. A spy at the spry age of 40, he'd just spent 45 hard years in the wilderness. Standing

on the edge of the Promised Land, he wasn't asking for an easy life or final years of rest. In dividing up the new land, he spoke to his fellow spy/nov leader Joshua: "So here I am today, eighty-five years old! I am still as strong today as the day Moses sent me out; I'm just as vigorous to go out to battle now as I was then. Now give me this hill country that the LORD promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the LORD helping me, I will drive them out just as he said," Joshua 14:10-12. It's probably a good time to tell you that the Anakites were...GIANTS.

Isaiah 46:4 reminds me: "Even to your old age and gray hairs I am He, I am He Who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you." I'll take Him up on that!

Jeremiah 29:11 has encouraged me for decades: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, to give you hope and future." It's funny: I realize now that no age limit is mentioned.

Whether we're 30, 40, 50 or more, let's keep serving God. Let's run the race He has set before us, sharing the Good News until our last breath!

## Reprobate Mind?

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In **Romans 1:28-32** is written the word, 'reprobate,' meaning "failing to stand the test." But, when it is been used to make an application to man's relationship to God, it suggests a sense of moral corruption, unfitness, disqualification, or a disapproved mind.

Every generation has its unprincipled scoundrels and depraved characters with reprobate minds. These may have a strong intellectual powers but are derelict of responsible judgments of right or wrong. They may profess themselves to be wise, Romans 1:23, but they may be worshipping and serving the devil. We see this very clearly in the search of humanized education to be taught even to grade school children. Their aim is to make the individual completely self-sufficient and independent and to attempt to remove all moral restraints that pertains to sex, marriage, or civil responsibility and obedience to the law.

This is, first of all, caused by refusing to accept the teachings of God's Word. This has characterized men as they left God from the mind and from the time of Creation. Here in these verses, Paul is describing their condition so we see that these minds and characters are the results of the same rejection of God, whether in the time of Noah, Paul the Apostle, or this year. "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient" (fitting). *Romans 1:28*

The features of a reprobate mind is revealed in the rioting and mayhem that is described in minute detail of the conditions we see today. We have dope addiction, sexual perversion, coveting, police hating, killing, street rioting, and political thievery, or any other thing you may name, we are now having it. Paul put it this way, "Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers..." *Romans 1:29*

But, this form of lifestyle has grown, so far as to

now produce those who would destroy every foundation principle for civilized society. We today still have the Madalyn Murray O'Hair types who hate God so much and are trying to replace him with revolutionary teachings and are trying to have him removed from all public recognition.

We see on TV those who are ungodly and insolvent, hurling every derogatory epithet with all the obscene words they can come up with; screaming four-letter words at our police who are trying to protect us. We have every type of feature in our society that is prosperous, respectful and civilized, while there are reprobates attempting to tear it down. So, we have now within our society, purveyors of pornography, inciters of thievery, lust, rape, murder and many more evil things. We have also a rash of Spock followers whose philosophy has ripened into disobedience to patriots. Paul points this out in **Verse 30, "haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things."**

Another thing that is prevalent in our society is the laxity in penalty for the crimes committed. There are those who could and should be more strong with their sentences upon lawbreakers. But many lawyers are trying to condone and justify criminal acts. As it has always been, we have many who thrive on corruption in the offices of authority. Here is how it reads in **Verse 32, "Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."** Read the verses in Romans 1:25-32.

### See what it says for yourself.

But today, thank God that we still have many who have not bowed the knee to Baal but remain always God-respecting and practice righteousness. Many are still trying to uphold righteous principles and are teaching their children to do likewise. We still have those who are trying to instill faith into the hearts of men and women, hoping to save their souls. May God bless them all, and I pray that some might be awakened by articles such as this and join with us in helping each other get to Heaven someday.

We are open at Cornerstone each Lord's Day at 10:00 a.m. Come and visit with us. (1-859-369-4165)

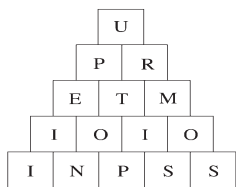
Many thanks to Bro. Robert Welsh who helped us put this article out to the public.

Sincerely, Bob Casey

## Stickeler's Puzzle



Below is a common 15-letter word. See how long it takes you to come up with the answer. The word begins with "S."



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"It's a bid for attention. Just \_\_\_\_\_ him."

## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

- Common: **VITRIAL**
- Cover: **CAYPON**
- Concede: **MIESER**
- Flee: **GIRMATE**

### TODAY'S WORD