

# OBITUARIES

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Wednesday, August 2, 2017

## Ralph L. Barnes, 80



Ralph L. Barnes, age 80, born Friday, October 2, 1936, died Wednesday, August 2, 2017, at Lawrenceburg, Kentucky.

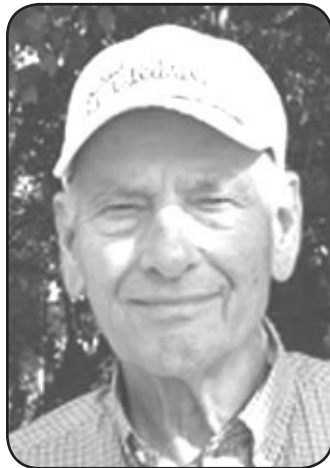
Frankfort lost one of its Old Guard, Ralph L. Barnes. Ralph loved books. He loved history. He loved people. At 80, Ralph was still the life of the party, a master at the art of conversation with an unmatched sense of humor, he was most often funny when he wasn't trying to be and he laughed loudest when the joke was on him.

Ralph was active until almost the very end, retiring from his last job two years ago as head doorman for the Kentucky House of Representatives. He joked that no doors were stolen from the Capitol under his watch.

Ralph also enjoyed his status as unofficial leader of the Dragonites, a happy band of pub regulars who took their name from the old St. George and the Dragon and never stopped pubbing after it changed hands, spreading their mirth to other favorite gathering spots around Frankfort, too.

As a true Kentuckian and firstborn of the proprietor of the regrettably long gone Daniel Boone Inn, one of Ralph's last wishes was for a sip of bourbon, a request accommodated in the presence of good friends who emptied more than one bottle smuggled into his hospital room just a few weeks ago.

Ralph was a man of many talents and vocations. After the Army in which he was stationed in Berlin for three years during the mid-1950's, followed by executive posi-



Ralph L. Barnes

tions with IBM, Corning, and Kroger, Ralph left to pursue his passion of entrepreneurship. A bold move at age 32 in those days, Ralph owned and operated numerous restaurants and retail establishments around the Commonwealth. His career continued as CEO over the Correction Industries programs in Kentucky, Ohio, Mississippi, and Florida.

Most important about Ralph is that he was a family man and a good guy who showed his love by making people laugh.

Cheers to you Ralph for getting right whatever this life thing is supposed to be about.

Ralph is survived by his wife of 58 years, Maryanna White Barnes, his sons Brett and Beau Barnes (Stephanie), and grandchildren Anna, Riley, and Jack Barnes. He also leaves behind several family and friends to cherish his memory.

A celebration of life will be held later this month.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

<HarrodBrothers.com>

Sunday, August 6, 2017

## Sharon Gayle Hall Clark, 67

Sharon Gayle Hall Clark, age 67, of Corbin, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, August 6, 2017, at Baptist Health Hospital in Corbin.

Born September 21, 1949, in Estill County, she was the daughter of the late Chester and Bonnie Hall. A gifted songwriter and singer, she was a member of the Stairway Bluegrass Gospel Group for several years.

She leaves behind her beloved husband, Wayne Clark; a daughter, Sherry Rogers-Howey; a son, Loren Rogers; a stepdaughter, Renee Dillion; two stepsons: Jeff Clark and Mark Clark; a son-in-law, David Howey; a daughter-in-law, Kim Rogers; granddaughters: Abigail Rogers, Jillian Boren, Jessica Clark, and Samantha Clark; grandsons: Christopher Dillon, Jacob Clark, Zack Clark, and Daniel Clark; five great granddaughters; and four



Sharon Gayle Clark

great grandsons.

Also, many friends and other family members will mourn her passing.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 9, 2017, in the Hart Funeral Home Chapel, 1011 Master Street, Corbin, Kentucky. The family will meet with friends from 1-2 p.m.

<HartFuneralHomeCorbin.com>

Saturday, August 5, 2017

## Ella Faye Johnson, 95

Ella Faye Johnson, age 95, of Red Lick Road in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Saturday, August 5, 2017, at the Irvine Health & Rehabilitation Center following a long illness.

She was born August 19, 1921 in Estill County and was the daughter of the late Joe Stone and Dora White Stone Jenkins. She was a homemaker and a member of the South Irvine Pentecostal Church. She had lived in Estill County all her life.

Mrs. Johnson was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Johnson.

She is survived by four daughters: Josephine Smith, Indiana; Irene Brown, Ohio; Laura McKinney, and Wanda Rawlins, both of Estill

County; one son, Harold Johnson, Estill County; 20 grandchildren and several great and great, great grandchildren

Mrs. Johnson was preceded in death by two sons, Clayton and Paul Johnson; one sister, Mae Horn; three brothers: L.C. Stone, Wilson Stone and Sherman Stone; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, August 9, 1:00 p.m., at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Jerry Rose. Burial will be at the West Irvine Cemetery. Friends called between 6 and 9 p.m., Tuesday, August 8th at the funeral home.

<TolerFuneralHome.com>

Monday, July 31, 2017

## Ruby Barnes Lynch, 74

Ruby Alice Barnes Lynch, age 74, wife of Richard "Boola" Lynch, passed away on Monday, July 31, 2017 at the Hospice Compassionate Care Center in Richmond, Kentucky, after a long illness.

A native of Estill County, born July 25, 1943, she was a daughter of the late Sam C. and Stanley Green Reed Barnes.

Mrs. Lynch was preceded in death by her grandson, Ryan Johnson; a great grandson, Lucas Embry; her brothers, Roy, Clyde, Allen, Boyd and Alvin "Dud" Barnes; and her sisters, Ona Barnes, Dorothy Chaney and Mildred McCoy.

She loved spending time with her husband, her children and her grandchildren. She enjoyed the outdoors, bird watching and gardening, and giving candy out at Halloween.

Survivors include her husband of 42 years, Richard "Boola" Lynch; daughters, Teresa Johnson (Randy), Vicki Powell (Breck Jr.), Robyn Morefield (Victor), Angela Merrell (Bobby Blevins), and Christi Lynch; sons Stanley Kevin Merrell (April), Richard Lincoln



Ruby Lynch

Lynch (Lori); brothers, Raymond Barnes and Wayne Barnes; sisters, Lou Ellen Gray and Charlene O'Shea; 16 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

Services were held on Friday, August 4, at Lewis-Abner Home for Funerals at 2:00 p.m. with Brother Terry Barnes officiating. Burial followed in the Oakdale Cemetery. Friends called anytime after 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 3rd at the funeral home.

Serving as pallbearers were Jared Powell, Dennis Burns, Jr, Stanley Merrell, Kyle Short, G.B. Kelley, and Josh Lambert.

<LewisFH.com>

Saturday, August 5, 2017

## Michael Glenn Riddell, 61

Michael Glenn Riddell, age 61, of Clevis Springs Road in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Saturday, August 5, 2017, at the Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital.

He was born February 24, 1956, in Madison County, a son of the late Russell and Alverta Underwood Riddell. He was a retired carpenter and had lived in Estill County all his life. He was the president of the Free Riders Motorcycle Club.

Mr. Riddell is survived by his wife, Martha Sue Willis Riddell; a daughter, Jessica Alverta Riddell (Matt), Madison County; one son, Michael Glenn

Riddell Jr., Estill County; three sisters: Lucille Carroll (Bobby), Betty Faye West (Andy), and Bernice Burke (Larry), all of Estill County; and a brother, Charles Darrell Riddell, Estill County.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Russell Riddell Jr.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, August 8, at 1 p.m. at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel with burial following in the West Irvine Cemetery. Friends called between 6 and 9 p.m., Monday, August 7th at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were the Free Riders.

<TolerFuneralHome.com>

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

## Yvonne Marie White, 70

Yvonne Marie White, age 70, of Irvine, Kentucky, passed away peacefully in her home on Tuesday, August 1, 2017.

She was born on November 15, 1946 in Danville, Illinois to the late Louis and Barbara Hoover Silagy. She worked doing home health for many years in which she loved her clients as well as her clients loved her. Yvonne had many friends all over the United States and never met a stranger.

Ms. White was also preceded in death by her son, James White Jr., and her daughter, Janice Hodges.

She is survived by three sisters, Sharon Phillips of Illinois, C. Anne Clay of Georgia, and Beatrice K. Silagy of Irvine; her brother, Charles Silagy of Illinois, and her nephew, Stephen A. Silagy of Irvine; who will all



Yvonne Marie White

miss her dearly.

Services will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be sent to 260 Old Fox Road, Irvine, KY 40336.

Care Cremation and Funeral Service of Lexington has been entrusted with final care.

<CareCremationService.com>

### Kentucky State Police Needs Votes in Contest

The Kentucky State Police will be celebrating its 70th anniversary in 2018. In anticipation of this milestone, the agency is seeking the support from Kentucky citizens for a special project to recognize its long service to the Commonwealth. KSP will participate in a friendly competition alongside other state law enforcement agencies throughout the U.S in the American Association of State Troopers (AAST) "2018 Best Looking Cruiser Contest." Voting began on Friday, August 4 at 12:00 p.m. EST on the AAST Facebook page at [https://www.facebook.com/pg/StateTroopers/photos/?tab=album&album\\_id=1628706990536120](https://www.facebook.com/pg/StateTroopers/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1628706990536120) and ends Friday.

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Sunday, August 6, 2017

## Thomas Edward Chaney, 35

Thomas Edward Chaney, 35, passed away Sunday, August 6, 2017 in Lexington, Kentucky.

He was born March 6, 1982 in Irvine, Kentucky. He was employed by Amazon and was an avid painter.

Survivors include his mother, Laura Rogers; partner, Patrick Roysse; brother, Edmund Walker Chaney (Melissa); sisters, Melissa Ann McKinney (Anthony) and Diana Stamper (Greg); a step-sister, Rachel Shivel Clark; nephews, nieces, uncles, aunts, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Lacy and Delphia Tipton and Oscar and Flora Proffitt.

Services will be on Thursday, August 10, at 1:00 p.m. at Davis & Davis Funeral Home, 777 West College Avenue, Stanton. Visitation



Thomas E. Chaney

will be Wednesday, August 9th, 6-9 p.m., at the funeral home. Burial in Rose Cemetery, Knowlton Ridge with Anthony McKinney, Greg Stamper, Brian Barnes serving as pallbearers.

Honorary pallbearers include, Christopher McKinney and Tyler Carroll.

<DavisandDavisFuneralHome.com>

## Slade rest area on Mountain Parkway scheduled for temporary closure

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) advises motorists that the Junior Williamson Rest Area at Slade – Exit 33 off eastbound Mountain Parkway – will be temporarily closed for a repair and renovation project beginning Monday, Aug. 14. The project is anticipated to last approximately 75 days.

During the project duration, only commercial vehicle parking will be accessible. Portable bathrooms will be available on the premises to accommodate commercial drivers. All other access to the facility, parking area

and vending machines will not be permitted.

The date and duration of this work may be adjusted if inclement weather or other unforeseen delays occur. Motorists are encouraged to plan their travel itinerary accordingly.

Visit [goky.ky.gov](http://goky.ky.gov) for the latest in traffic and travel information in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Traffic information for the District 10 counties is also available at [www.facebook.com/KYTCDistrict10](http://www.facebook.com/KYTCDistrict10) and <https://twitter.com/KYTCDistrict10>.

### KSP Post 7 Traffic Safety Checkpoint Announcement

**RICHMOND, Ky. – The Kentucky State Police, Richmond Post, which provides coverage for Madison, Clark, Estill, Lee, Owsley, Jackson, Mercer, Boyle, Lincoln, Garrard and Jessamine counties, will be conducting periodic traffic safety checkpoints at locations approved by the Kentucky State Police Policy and Procedures Manual. These checkpoints will be conducted in an effort to enforce the traffic laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Special attention will be paid to occupant protection (seatbelt adherence), sobriety, insurance, and registration violations. A complete list of traffic safety checkpoint locations can be found at [http://www.kentuckystatepolice.org/posts/press/post7\\_checkpoints.htm](http://www.kentuckystatepolice.org/posts/press/post7_checkpoints.htm)**

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