

OBITUARIES



OTIS BLOOMFIELD
Otis L. Bloomfield Jr., 65, husband of Monique Circosta Bloomfield, died Tues., Oct. 17, 2023, at his home.

Born Sept. 13, 1958, in Lima, Ohio, he was the son of the late Otis L. Bloomfield Sr. and Marguerite Johnson.

He was retired from the BP Refinery.

Survivors, in addiiton to his wife include: two daughters, Brandi Maciejewski of Harrodsburg and Megan Adams of Lawrenceburg; one son, Bobby Bloomfield of Hardinsburg; three step -sons, Lawrence, Donald and Dustin Byrd and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Chapel.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.



JUANITA BALL
Juanita Catherine Nevius Ball, 89, widow of William Donald Ball, died Monday, Oct. 23, 2023, at the Willows of Harrodsburg.

Born Sept. 6, 1934, in Boyle County she was the daughter of the late John C. and Ophelia Preston Nevius.

She was a retired lab technician for Keightley, Moore and Whalen, M.D., was a member of Carpenter's Christian Church and a charter member of the Business and Professional Women.

Survivors include: one son, David (Jeaneane) Ball of Salvisa; one daughter, Donna (Steve) Anderson of Harrodsburg; four grandchildren, Derek (Andrea) Ball, Jay (Natalie) Anderson, Justin (Jill) Ball, Ami (Jared) Wilcox; 10 great-grandchildren, Logan, Mason and Brennan Ball, Henry and Hudson Anderson, Owen and Landon Ball and Jaycie, Cooper and Lia Cate Wilcox and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Bobby Nevius and Billy Nevius.

Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 27, at the Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home & Cremation Services with Jacob Bryant, Larry Camic and John Kesel officiating. Burial was in the Danville Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers were Derek Ball, Jay Anderson, Justin

Ball, Jared Wilcox, Bryan Nevius, Chad Nevius, Chuck Nevius and Keith Preston. Honorary pallbearers were Ami Wilcox, Andrea Ball, Natalie Anderson, Jill Ball, Lee Magliulo, Brady Nevius, Cindy Sallee, Nicole McCoin and great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Joseph's Chapel UMC, in care of Jackie Hilbert, 423 Larue St., Harrodsburg, Ky 40330.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.alexanderandroyalty.com.

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CONNIE GIFFORD
Connie Gifford, 62, of Harrodsburg, died Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023, at her home.

Born June 4, 1961, in Mercer County, she was the daughter of the late Henry Preston and Helen (Adams) Watts Sr.

She was employed at Sylva and cleaned homes.

Survivors include: three daughters, Tammie Anne Maggard of Georgetown, Cynthia Hopper and Rachel Wright of Harrodsburg; one sister, Carol (Dale) Peavler of Anderson County and two brothers, Mark (Robin) Watts and Henry (Misty) Watts Jr of Harrodsburg; lifelong companion, David Marcum of Frankfort and six grand children.

She was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Katey-Inn Doss.

Graveside services were held Monday, Oct. 30, at the Spring Hill Cemetery Pavilion.

Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Chapel.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.



GLADYS JACKSON
Gladys Marie Jackson, 88, of Harrodsburg, died Monday, Oct. 30, 2023, at the Landmark of Danville.

Born Oct. 23, 1935, in Mercer County, she was the daughter of the late Hugh Gritton and the late Mercer Mae (Huffman) Potts.

She was a retired inspector for Corning Glass and was a member of Southside Christian Church.

Survivors include: two sons, Wayne Thomas (Connie) Jackson of Harrodsburg,

and Milton Daniel (Pam) Jackson of Lancaster; three grandchildren, Amber Jackson, Myles (Sarah) Jackson, and Cory (Emily) Jackson; two step grandchildren, Kelsey (Tyler) Stout-Prouty and Thair (Holly) Stout and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are today, Thursday, Nov. 2, at 2 p.m. at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel. Burial is in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Visitation 11 a.m. until the hour of service at the funeral chapel.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Heritage Hospice, 120 Enterprise Dr., Danville, KY 40422.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.



LORRAINE TACKETT
Lorraine Tackett, 92, Danville, formerly of Harrodsburg, died Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023, in Danville.

Born Nov. 23, 1930, in Harrodsburg, she was the daughter of the late Sanford and Myrtle (Lambert) Taylor.

She was a member of the Covenant Church of the Nazarene in Danville.

Survivors include: two daughters, Janice Hall of Sevierville, Tenn. and Sherri Lay of Harrodsburg; one son, Don (Alicia) Allen of Lexington; one brother, Don "Gene" Taylor of Lexington; seven great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son and daughter-in-law, Rick and Ann Allen and one brother, Bobby Taylor.

Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 27, at Sims Funeral Services with Bro. Sam Hays officiating.

Pallbearers were Ben Allen, Keith Pinkston, Travis Carper, Chris Humphrey, Chris Lay and Hunter Humphrey. Honorary pallbearers were Jock Gum and Don Taylor.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the charity of one's choice.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.simsfuneralservices.com.



MARGARET THOMPSON

Margaret J. Thompson, 84, wife of William Thompson Sr., died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2023, at the St. Joseph

Hospital in Lexington.

Born May 9, 1939, in Harrodsburg, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Lucille Coleman Watts Harlow.

She attended Abundant Life Baptist Worship Center and retired from the Kentucky Department of Revenue.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include: two sons, William (Denise) Thompson Jr. of Brandenburg and Christopher (Jennie) Thompson of Harrodsburg; one daughter, Angela (Keith) Gray of Burgin; 13 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Kenneth Harlow and Samuel Harlow; one sister, Barbara Hammond and step mother, Stella Harlow.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Nov. 4, at 1 p.m. at the Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Burial will be in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons. Honorary pallbearers will be her granddaughters.

Visitation 5-8 p.m. Friday and after 7 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the charity of one's choice.

Services will be on Facebook Live on the Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home & Cremation Services Facebook page.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.alexanderandroyalty.com.



VERNETTA WALKER
Vernetta H. Walker, 86, of Harrodsburg, widow of J. L. Walker, died Thursday, Oct. 26, 2023, at the Willows at Harrodsburg.

Born Jan. 28, 1937, in Mercer County, she was the daughter of the late Amos and Lona Bell (Waldrige) Harley.

She was retired from Genesco Clothing Manufacturing and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include: one son, Mark (Debbie) L Walker of Harrodsburg; one son-in-law, Keith Smith and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Kathy Smith.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 31, at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel with Daniel Smith officiating. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Keith Smith, Stephen Bailey, Shane Travillian, Chester Travillian Jr. and Jordan and

Logan Smith.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Mercer-Boyle Relay for Life 1570 North Danville Bypass, Danville, KY 40422 or a charity of one's choice.

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On behalf of the Spears, Springate, Sharp & McCrystal families:

We would like to extend a huge thank you to our Ky House Representative of the 55th District Kim King and Patrick Foster from Mitch McConnell's team in Washington DC. They both were instrumental in helping us to get our beloved family member, Vicki Spears, home in a timely manner from the Bahamas where she unexpectedly passed away from a major coronary heart failure. We couldn't ask for a more compassionate group working for the State of Kentucky.

Sincerely, Jim Spears, Dolores McCrystal, Derek Springate, Megin Sharp, and extended family

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PUBLICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mercer County School's Unaudited Annual Financial Statement and Vendor Summary for the FY2023 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023) is published on the MCS Finance Dept. website, viewable at <https://www.mercer.kyschools.us/Administration/20>. A printed copy is available for viewing in the Finance Department located at the Mercer County Board of Education office, 530 Perryville Street, Harrodsburg, KY 40330.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
Mercer County, Kentucky

General Obligation Bonds
Series 2023

(Land Acquisition Project)

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Notice of Intent from the Mercer County Fiscal Court requesting the State Local Debt Officer to approve the financial plan whereby the County proposes to issue its General Obligation Bonds in an approximate principal amount not to exceed \$22,000,000. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance the costs of the purchase of industrial land and related infrastructure in Mercer County. A hearing will be held in the conference room at the Department for Local Government, 100 Airport Road, Frankfort, Kentucky on November 21, 2023 at 2:00 PM, (Prevailing Eastern Time) to consider whether or not the financial plan for the issuance of the Bonds should be approved.

Petitioner, Mercer County Fiscal Court is responsible for the publication of this notice and for the information contained herein. Specific questions about the type of project should be directed to the petitioners. The purpose of this notice is to comply with KRS 66.310 by notifying the public that the petitioner intends to issue bonds or other indebtedness in the total amount and at the terms set out herein.

At this hearing, any taxpayer may appear and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Dennis Keene
Commissioner and State Local Debt Officer
Commonwealth of Kentucky

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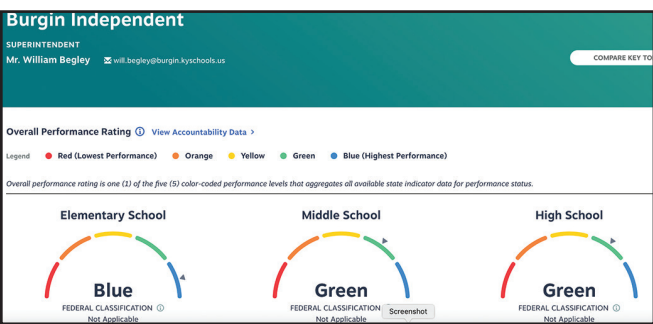


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Burgin school officials are excited about the grades their schools received in the latest school report card. The results above are the overall scores for school in the district, not the individual school's results. To learn more, visit kyschoolreportcard.com.

release. "These scores are something our community should be super proud of, knowing they are sending their kids to one of the best school systems in the state. This is testament to the exceptional efforts and unwavering commitment of

our educators and the potential residing within our students."

Key highlights of the test results:

- Mercer County Senior High School was awarded the blue rating by the Kentucky Department of Educa-

tion.

- All schools in Mercer County showed substantial improvements in their test scores.

- King Middle School moved out of TSI (Targeted Support and Improvement) status by improving test

scores for students with disabilities.

- Mercer County Intermediate School improved from a yellow to a green overall rating.

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