### **OBITUARIES**

**OWEN GOODPASTER** 

#### BILLY BRUCE HARDIN



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Billy Bruce Hardin, who departed this life on April 30, 2024. Born on December 20, 1941, in Reynoldsville, KY, to Virgil "Tar" and Mary Belle Sargent Hardin, Bill was their cherished only child and grew up deeply rooted in the communities of Bethel and Sharpsburg. His love for his native Bath County was evident throughout his life as he treasured his childhood memories and maintained many lifelong friendships from his school davs at Sharpsburg.

He furthered his education at Morehead State University before enlisting in the Navy in 1963. A devout Christian, he accepted the Lord as a teenager and was a dedicated member of the First Baptist Church in Mt. Sterling for over 50 years. Known for his unassuming nature and quick wit, Bill had a way of uplifting spirits with his warm personality, engaging everyone he met regardless of their walk of life.

Bill leaves behind his beloved wife of 58 years, Lucile Lee Hardin, and their daughter, Nancy Catherine Hardin Hall, along with her husband, Chris. He was a proud grandfather to three granddaughters: Catherine "Catie" Pinon (Julian), Allison Fisher (Chase), and Leah Hall. His great-granddaughter, Millie Pinon, was a special joy in his later years. Also mourning his loss are his nieces, nephews, friend and brother-inlaw, William Wayne Gilvin (Norma), and sister-in-law, Mary Peterson, all of whom he held dear. Bill cherished his family ties deeply, especially his connection with his cousins, who remained an integral part of his life until his final days.

Throughout his adult life, Bill was involved in various enterprises and was a familiar voice at local radio stations for over four decades. He was also an active member of several community organizations, including the Montgomery County Residential Association, the Montgomery County Historical Society, the Mt. Sterling Kiwanis Club, the Jaycees, and provided years of laughs in the annual Lions Club Follies.

Services to celebrate Bill's life will take place on Saturday, May 4th at 11 AM at First Baptist Church, 925 Woodford Drive, Mt. Sterling, KY. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 3rd from 4 PM until 6 PM, also at the church.

Bill deeply valued his friendships, making it impossible to single out just a few for the role of honorary pallbearers. Therefore, we invite all who considered themselves a friend of Bill to join us at the visitation and share your cherished memories with us. For updates on the family's memorial wishes, please visittaulfuneralhome.com.

Bill's friendship was a cherished gift to many, and his legacy of kindness and community involvement will be long remembered by those who had the pleasure of knowing him.



Owen Goodpaster, 91 of Owingsville Kentucky passed away at his residence after a long illness on April 29, 2024.

Owen was born in Peasticks, Ky on March 17, 1933, to the late Espie and Lucy Purvis Goodpaster.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his stepmother Julie Goodpaster, 5 brothers and 1 sister.

He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Nellie Hatton Goodpaster. Two daughters, Patty (Eddie) McIlvain, Joyce (Gordie) Wells. Two sons, Bryan (Diana) Goodpaster, and Jamie (Brandy) Goodpaster. 5 grandchildren, (Steve) Purvis. Blanche Rachel Holbrook, Gordie Wells, Jr., Rhett Goodpaster, Royce Goodpaster, Adam Crockett (Shania), Railey Pile, and Roby Pile. 8 great grandchildren: LaPaula Purvis, Amy Jo Purvis, Briley Richards, Rayden Holbrook, John, Kaden, Easton, and Braxton Crockett. Owen is also survived by 3 sisters-inlaws and many nieces and nephews.

Owen served his country as an Army Corporal in the Korean War from 1953-1955 and as an Army Reservist from 1956-1960. He went on to work for A.O. Smith Manufacturing as a steel slitter for 33 years until his retirement in 1998. He was an avid knife trader, squirrel, and rabbit hunter in his younger years. He loved a good flea market, Goodwill, taking road trips with his wife, and watching WLJC nightly. Owen was a simple goodnatured man who never met a stranger. He possessed a quick-witted sense of humor and was known to be a jokester. Owen loved and was

loved beyond measure by his family and friends. He will be remembered for his uncanny ability to bring a smile, and laughter to any situation. Although his absence will be felt for years to come by those who knew and loved him, the precious memories of Owen will be carried in their hearts to ponder on during those times that his absence is felt the strongest.

Visitation at the Michael R Gray Funeral Home in Owingsville was held on Thursday, May 2 from 11:00 to 1:00 followed by the Funeral Service at 1:00 PM with Pastors Steve Meadows, Ulysses Walton, and Dr. Sean Bailey. Burial followed at the Hedricks Cemetery with full military honors performed by American Legion Post 22.

Active pallbearers were Adam Crockett, Russ Robinson, Kevin Robinson, Barry Robinson, Russ Hatton, and Jerry Hatton.

Honorary pallbearers were Eddie McIlvain, Blanche Purvis, Briley Richards, Kenny Hatton, and Tim Highley.

The Michael R. Gray Funeral Home, 89 Slate Avenue, Owingsville, Kentucky 40360 is cared for all arrangements for Owen Goodpaster.

To view the online memorial and sign the guest book, please visit www. mrgfh.com

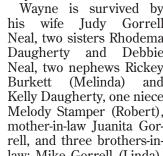


Roscoe Wayne Neal, 67, passed away on May 2, 2024. He was born on January 16, 1957, in Mt Sterling, KY, to his parents, the late Roscoe Neal and Christine (Hall) Neal Becraft.

Throughout his life, Wayne dedicated his time and efforts to Link Belt. His commitment and hard work left a lasting impact on all those he worked with.

t the strongest.Outside of his profession-Visitation at the Michael<br/>Gray Funeral Home in<br/>wingsville was held on<br/>uursday, May 2 from<br/>60 to 1:00 followed by<br/>e Funeral Service at 1:00Outside of his profession-<br/>al career, he pursued vari-<br/>ous hobbies and interests<br/>including watching John<br/>Wayne movies, building<br/>car models, riding motor-<br/>cycles, hunting, and explor-<br/>ing Pigeon Forge.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Willa Dean Neal, one nephew Shannon Daugherty, as well as two brothers-in-law, Frank Gor-



rell Jr. and Walter Daugh-

rell, and three brothers-inlaw: Mike Gorrell (Linda), Merrell Gorrell (Mary), and Rickey Gorrell (Sandra). Wayne will be deeply missed by his surviving family members and friends.

Roscoe Wayne Neal will always be remembered for his kind heart, dedication to his work, and love for his family. He leaves behind cherished memories that will forever be etched in the hearts of those who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Per Wayne's request, there will be no services.

The Michael R. Gray Funeral Home, 89 Slate Avenue, Owingsville, Kentucky 40360 is caring for all arrangements for Roscoe Wavne Neal.

To view the online memorial and sign the guest book, please visit www. mrgfh.com.





roughed-in with living area, kitchen and bath. Second floor is partitioned with two bedrooms and a balcony. Walkway down to overlook with views of waterfalls and high cliffs. Only 3 miles to Long Bow Marina for boating, fishing. Short drive to Morehead. Buyer to satisfy themselves on all aspects of this property.

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#### SHANDON R. CURTIS

Shandon R. Curtis, age 51, a native of Sharpsburg, died April 25, 2024, in Phoenix, Arizona, from complications of pneumonia. He was the son of Donald R. and Deborah Carl Curtis, formerly of Sharpsburg, now of Nicholasville, Ky. Survivors also include a daughter, Mrs. Ashton Hendrickson, of Jacksonville, Florida, three grandchildren, three sisters Mrs. Christins Trent of Stanford, Ky., Mrs. Linda Justice, of Ashland, Ky., Mrs. Kelly Baum, of Lawrenceburg, Ky., and one brother, Guy B. Curtis, of Elizabethtown, Ky.

Private services will



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#### **ROSCOE WAYNE NEAL**

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be held at the Crown Hill Cemetery, Sharpsburg, at a later date.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY CLAUDETTE FAUDERE BATH COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK

Administration Has Been Granted by The District Court of Bath County Upon the Following Fiduciary Appointments:

Deceased: Leo Dale Adams Address: 3390 Stepstone Rd. Owingsville, KY 40360 Fiduciary: Samantha Lea Ball Address: 3390 Stepstone Rd. Owingsville, KY 40360 Date of Appointment: 4/09/24 Creditors Must File Claims By: within 6 months Attorney: N/A Address:

Deceased: Edwin Lee Reid Address: 1394 Peeled Oak Rd., Owingsville Ky 40360 Fiduciary: Charles Stephens Address: 3365 Van Thompson Rd., Owingsville Ky 40360 Date of Appointment: 4/30/24 Creditors Must File Claims By: within 6 months Attorney: Kim Hunt Price Address: P.O. Box 1189 Owingsville, KY 40360

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