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DEATH NOTICES

John P. Lay, 101, of Danville, died Aug. 16, 2025.
Christeen Jones Yocum, 92, of Stanford, died Aug. 18, 2025.
Susan Sagracy, 72, of Liberty, died Aug. 19, 2025.
Bonita Gayle Tingle, 78, of Harrodsburg, died Aug. 19, 2025.
John William Deshazer, 53, of Harrodsburg, died Aug. 19, 2025.
James Robert Coffman, 86, of McKinney, died Aug. 20, 2025.

RONALD “RON” WEAVER, 84

Marine Corporal Ronald “Ron” Weaver, 84, of Danville, passed away August 16, 2025. He was born on March 3, 1941 in Foster, Kentucky to the late James R. and Cora Estell Weaver. Ron is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Jo Ann Rogers Weaver.

Surviving is a son, Jamie Weaver (Heather) of Colorado; a daughter, Kim Evans (Steve) of Danville; an honorary daughter, Kim Bailey (Dr. Wayne) of Mount Sterling; grandchildren, Cheyenne Barsotti (Dr. Philip), Dr. Tabitha Anderson (John), and Fisher Evans, all of Danville; and great-grandchildren, Sophia Barsotti, Wesley Weaver Anderson, Maggie Barsotti, and Silas Anderson.

Ron is preceded in death by his parents and siblings Marie Pope, Elsie Weaver, Ralph Weaver, Paul Weaver, Lester Weaver, Peggy Moyer, Wanda Jasper, Jenett Weaver, and Sid Gallagher.

Funeral services will be 1pm Thursday, August 21, 2025, at Preston Pruitt Spurlin Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Camp Nelson National Cemetery at 2:30pm with full military honors. Visitation will be from 12pm-1pm on Thursday.

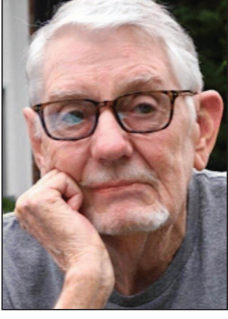
Pallbearers will be Jamie Weaver, Steve Evans, Fisher Evans, Dr. Philip Barsotti, John Anderson, and Dr. Wayne Bailey.

To know Ron was to love Ron. The only thing that eclipsed the enormity of his fun-loving sense of humor was the love he had for his wife, his endless support of his family, the pride he had in being a Marine, and his enthusiasm for reading.

Ron spent most of his life in finance having worked for the Garvice Kinkaid Organization, the Winchester Bank, the Bank of Danville, and was the former Bank President of both the Richmond Bank in Richmond, Kentucky and First State Bank in Monticello, Kentucky. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge.

He was the loudest, most ardent supporter of his children’s and grandchildren’s events and activities and was fondly referred to as “Grampa” not only by his own grandchildren, but every player on their teams. He was there.

“Pistol,” as his father called him, was a huge fan of good margaritas, laughter and telling stories, music of his youth, Kentucky Basketball, and good times around the table with his family often saying, “it’s not what’s on the table, it’s who’s around it.”As a proud Class of 1959 graduate of Bracken County High School, he lived his life in accordance with the sign in the gymnasium that read, “When the one great scorer comes to write against your name, He writes not whether you won or lost, but how you played the game.” Game well played, Ron Weaver.



Ronald “Ron” Weaver

WILLIAM MANSFIELD SIMPSON, 81

William Mansfield Simpson, of Danville, Kentucky, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on August 16, 2025, at the age of 81. Born on February 16, 1944 to Arthur and Loretta Simpson in Washington, D.C. He later moved to Baltimore, MD.

Bill graduated with a BS in Engineering from Loyola College in Baltimore then a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Iowa. After graduation he served as a Captain in the Air Force. He later joined Corning Glass Works in Corning, NY. At Corning, he received two patents and was involved with the start-up teams for fiber optics in Wilmington, NC, and Gorilla Glass for electronic devices in Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

Bill was very involved in the Danville community serving as Chair of the Salvation Army Board, was start-up team leader for the Hope Clinic & Pharmacy, and served as President of the Parish Council at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. After his early retirement from Corning, he was project manager for building six Habitat for Humanity homes. He continued working with Habitat on new builds every year. More recently he served on the Bluegrass Community Technical College Foundation Board and The Pioneer Vocational Industrial Services Board.

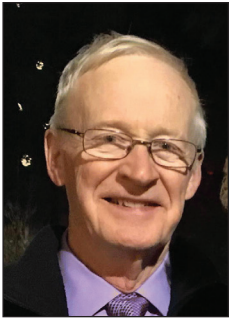
His favorite activity was riding his bicycle on back country roads. He loved the challenge of biking up Catholic Knob in Forkland. During his early days with Habitat for Humanity he did several bike riding fundraisers-one from Louisville to Atlanta and several others in Minnesota.

Time with his family was important to him whether Family Reunions at Wrightsville Beach, NC, in the summer or going to his grandsons' soccer and lacrosse games. He was always up for a game of street hockey with the boys. One special event was running a "family team" marathon with his three children, Tim, Mark, and Kelly in Baltimore, MD several years ago.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Kathleen K. Simpson, his sons Timothy W. Simpson and Mark E. Simpson (Tamara) and daughter Kelly L. Simpson; his beloved grandchildren Kayla, Nathan, Eli, and Ben. As well as his sister, Anne Lynn King, and her husband, Brian King, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be on Wednesday August 20, 2025 from 5-7pm at SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church. A funeral mass will be held on Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 10am at SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church. A memorial celebration and burial will be held in Baltimore, MD, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations are suggested to the Salvation Army Summer Camp or Bluegrass Community Technical College Foundation.



William Mansfield Simpson

RUTH ANNE SIGLER, 72

Ruth Anne Sigler, of Danville, Kentucky, died peacefully while surrounded by loved ones on August 13, 2025, in Houston, Texas, due to complications from lung cancer. She was 72. Born on August 7, 1953, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, to the late Robert Thomas and Margaret Helen Sigler (née Williams), Ruth grew up in Dexter and Columbia, Missouri, and graduated from Hickman High School in Columbia in 1971. Ruth devoted her professional life to deaf education. She pursued her passion by earning degrees from Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky, in 1975, and a Master's in Deaf Education from the University of Tennessee in 1979. At Transylvania, she was a member of the Phi Mu Sorority and the university's basketball and field hockey teams. After graduate school, she began her career at the Missouri School for the Deaf before relocating to Kentucky, where she worked at the Kentucky Department of Education as well as for several school districts in the Commonwealth. She then spent over 35 years as both an educator and an administrator at the Kentucky School for the Deaf, serving as the school's first-ever Director of Special Education. Ruth is survived by her sons, Aaron Fons (Olivia) of Birmingham, Alabama, and Joseph Fons (Alex Horne) of San Francisco, California, and her daughter, Grace (Derek) Drayer of Louisville, Kentucky. She is also survived by her sister, Nancy Isaacson (Al Fein), of Spokane, Washington; her brother, Jim Sigler (Kathy), of Denver, Colorado; her grandson, David Fons, of Birmingham, Alabama; numerous nieces and nephews; and her beloved dogs, Lucky and Miller. Ruth was known for her kind and infectious spirit, active nature, sense of humor, and penchant for storytelling. In her free time, she enjoyed volunteering, playing pickleball, working puzzles, and spending time with family and friends. She was an ardent champion of the Golden Rule. She continually sought out opportunities to serve others and was generous in sharing her time and resources, improving countless lives. Her home around the holidays often had upwards of a dozen unrelated guests that may not have had another place to go; she took in a family of Syrian refugees as her own and taught them English, how to drive, and helped them obtain citizenship; when tornados struck western Kentucky, she made numerous 12-hour round trips to assist with the cleanup efforts. She leaves a profound impact on all who knew her. Visitation and funeral services will be held at First Christian Church in Danville, Kentucky (555 East Lexington Avenue, 40422), where Ruth served as an elder. The visitation will be on Friday, August 29, from 3 to 6 PM, and the funeral will be on Saturday, August 30, at 11 AM; the church nursery will also be open during the funeral. The funeral will also be livestreamed on the fccddanville555 YouTube channel. A Celebration of Life will take place at Morley's Backyard (234 E Walnut St, Danville, KY 40422) on Saturday, August 30, at 4:30 PM. Please come by to eat, drink, laugh, and share a fond memory or story of Ruth with the family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that gifts be made in her name to the Kentucky School for the Deaf Charitable Foundation. Ruth Anne Sigler



Ruth Anne Sigler

DOROTHY (KITTY) ROSEL, 102

Dorothy (Kitty) Rosel, 102, passed peacefully in her sleep on June 3 in Springfield, Virginia, as she attained her heavenly reward and joined Joe and her other heavenly relatives and her beloved dogs, especially Angel. Kitty is survived by a daughter, Marianne Maynard, and son-in-law, Gerry, of Alexandria, Virginia, and relatives in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Illinois. A visitation will be held at Stith Funeral Home in Danville between 5-8 PM on September 9, 2025, and a memorial Mass will be held at noon on September 10, 2025, at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church with burial immediately afterward at Bellevue Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Danville-Boyle County Humane Society, Box 487, Danville, Kentucky 40423-0487. An online guestbook is available at www.stithcares.com.

Dollar General recalling instant coffee brand

BY TOM LATEK
Kentucky Today

Dollar General Corporation is recalling three lots of its eight-ounce Clover Valley Instant Coffee sold at their retail stores during the month of July in Kentucky and the rest of the lower 48 states, due to the potential presence of glass.

The recall is being initiated after a customer notified Dollar General employees about the potential issue. Ingesting glass fragments may cause injury to the consumer, and these injuries may include damage to teeth, laceration of the mouth and throat, or perforation of the intestine. No illnesses or injuries have been reported to date.

Details of the recalled product include:

- 8-Ounce Clover Valley® Instant Coffee
- Package UPC: 876941004069
- Lot: L-5163 / Best By 12/13/2026
- Lot: L-5164 / Best by 12/13/2026
- Lot: L-5165 / Best by 12/14/2026

Customers who purchased this product are encouraged not to drink. Instead they should discard it and contact Dollar General either via email at customercare@dollargeneral.com or by phone at 1-888-309-9030 from 6 a.m. to 1 a.m., Central Time, seven days a week to request a full refund of the purchase price (including any tax).

Dollar General is actively investigating the source of the glass contamination and says they apologize for any inconvenience caused by this product issue.

The recall is being conducted with the knowledge of the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA), who also issued an advisory about the recall.

Again, the list of states included in the recall are: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV, and WY.

ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION
With On-Line Bidding
320 Springhill Road, Danville, KY

Live Sale Thursday, August 28th @ 6:00 PM
On-Line Bidding August 17th thru August 28th @ VipAuctionKy.HiBid.com

We have been authorized by Mrs. Rose Anne Knight offer at PUBLIC OUTCRY this Real Estate which includes:
This Single-Story Bedford Stone Home consists of 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, Den, Laundry/Utility Room, & an Attached 2-Car Carport. This home sits on a choice, beautifully landscaped lot in the well established and desirable Streamland subdivision. Amenities include a privacy fenced backyard, brick patio, garden shed, flowers, mature trees, natural gas, city water and sewer.
You don't want to this let this one get away!!

All being Sold at ABSOLUTE AUCTION – So Come – Bid Last – Buy at YOUR Price.
Directions: From Main Street in Danville, Go North on 3rd Street/US 33/Shakertown Road, Turn Right onto Springhill. The property will be on the Left. Look for the signs!

Open House – Sunday, August 24th, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
VipAuctionKY.HiBid.com

NOTICE: Potential bidders may conduct a Lead Based Paint Test, the successful bidder must sign a waiver at the auction. Announcements made at the sale will take precedence over any prior oral or written statements. Not responsible for accidents. Sold AS IS-WHERE IS with no warranties expressed or implied.
TERMS: 10% down at auction, balance and possession with deed on or before October 5th 2025. TAXES - The 2025 real estate taxes will be paid by the Seller. There will be a 10% Buyers Premium added to the winning bid to determine the final sale price.

REMEMBER:

TIME - 6:00 PM | DATE – THURSDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2025
PLACE – 320 SPRINGHILL ROAD, DANVILLE, KY 40422

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