

OBITUARIES

Bruce Edward Hembree



Bruce Edward Hembree, 61, of Berea, passed away Saturday, May 24, 2025, after facing complications from a massive heart attack he suffered on May 5, 2025.

Bruce was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, son and friend. A skilled and hardworking carpenter by trade, he could fix or build just about anything. He took much pride in his work over the years. He also enjoyed fishing when he wasn't working. He was a member of Middletown Baptist Church.

He is survived by his loving wife, Marietta Isaacs Hembree; daughter Lekisha Hembree (fiancé Jacob Tucker); son Shawn Hembree; and his grandchildren Brayden, Dylan, and Kelsyn Hembree. He leaves behind his mother Patsy Baker Hembree; brothers Marty (daughter Hannah), Jarrod (wife Amanda and children Landon, Colton, and Brooklyn), and Ricky (wife

Rhonda and son Seth); as well as aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and church family who will remember him dearly.

Bruce was preceded in death by his father Edward Lee Hembree, his grandmother Katherine Huff, and his nephew Dalton Hembree, along with aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral Service were held at 2 p.m. on May 28, 2025 at Reppert Funeral Home. Bro. William Dooley officiated and burial followed in Pilot Knob Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jacob Tucker, Jarrod Hembree, Marty Hembree, Ricky Hembree, Frank Hembree and Shawn Hembree.

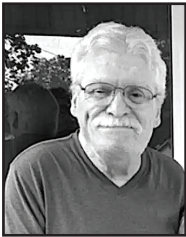
Reppert Funeral Home and Cremation Service entrusted with arrangements.

“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”

Revelation 21:4 KJV

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Joseph Rodney 'JR' Sexton



Joseph Rodney Sexton better known as J.R. passed away Monday, May 26, 2025 at the VA Medical Center in Lexington. He was a Jackson County native born Feb. 14, 1950, son of the late Thomas Logan Sexton and Wanda Ingram Hampton. J.R. took pride in being an Army and Airforce Veteran who also served in the Vietnam War. He attended Church on the Rock, was a member of the American Legion, enjoyed watching the Kentucky Wildcats, and collecting old coins and antiques.

J.R. is Survived by his mother Wanda Ingram Hampton; Stepmother Ann Sexton Elkins; brother Thomas Logan Sexton; sister

Jannah Sexton; son Joshua Sexton (Jessica); daughters April Rader (Shane), Rachel Sexton (Steven); grandchildren Deshana, Makayla, Aliasha, Milton, Aseph, and Logan; 3 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his father, Thomas Sexton.

Services were held on May 30 at 6 p.m. at Reppert Funeral Home. Brother Jonathon Marcum officiated and burial took place at 11 a.m., Monday, June 2, 2025, at Camp Nelson National Cemetery in Nicholasville. Pallbearers are Joshua Sexton, Shane Rader, Milton Rader, D.J. Evans, Thomas Sexton and Blake Osborne.

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Message from Cora Jane Wilson

“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.”

Proverbs 3:5 (KJV)

25TH ANNUAL

L&N DAY

FREE Community Event

Saturday,
June 14, 2025

9:00am - 4:00pm

Old Town Artisan Village
3 Artist Circle
Berea, KY 40403

L&N DAY CAR SHOW

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

201 N Broadway, Berea, KY

CAR PARADE

2:00 pm

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PUBLIC NOTICE MADISON COUNTY FISCAL COURT Fiscal Year 2025-2026

The second reading and adoption of the Madison County Fiscal Court proposed budget ordinance for the fiscal year, is scheduled to be held at the date, time and location listed below.

Date: **06/24/2025**
Time: **09:30 am**
Location: **135 W Irvine Street, 1st Floor, Richmond, KY 40475**

BUDGET SUMMARY AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Madison County Fiscal Court, Kentucky:

WHEREAS, the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Madison County Fiscal Court, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer, on the dates listed below:

Approval by the Fiscal Court: **05/27/2025**
Approved by State Local Finance Officer **06/04/2025**

SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the fiscal year specified herein, and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

General Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	7,630,050.00
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	2,699,650.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	1,019,800.00
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES	337,100.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE	1,152,500.00
6400	OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES/SVC	54,000.00
7100	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	1,202,500.00
7200	HOLDING COMPANY BONDS	519,200.00
7700	LEASES	108,400.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,830,000.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	1,150,700.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	26,655,300.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	2,317,500.00
Total		46,676,700.00
Road Fund		
6100	ROADS	3,768,600.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	617,000.00
Total		4,405,600.00
Jail Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	4,750,300.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	1,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	796,300.00
Total		5,567,600.00
Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		
6100	ROADS	100,000.00
7100	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	134,600.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	465,900.00

Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		
Total		700,500.00
Federal Grants		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
Total		
CSEPP		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	6,381,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	1,310,900.00
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	133,100.00
Total		7,825,000.00
OPIOID ABATEMENT/SETTLEMENT FUND		
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	1,975,000.00
Total		1,975,000.00
E-911		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	3,547,100.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,150,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	20,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	693,900.00
Total		5,411,000.00
SELF-INSURED HEALTH INSURANCE ACCOUNT		
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	503,000.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS- EMPLOYERS SHARE	1,900,000.00
Total		2,403,000.00
CLERK FUND		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	160,500.00
Total		160,500.00
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	6,536,400.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	236,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	927,600.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
Total		7,700,000.00
Total Budget Appropriations		82,824,900.00

SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in the Richmond Register & Berea Citizen by title and summary within thirty (30) days following adoption.

SECTION THREE. This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations are hereby notified that a copy of the Madison County proposed budget in full is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.