

OBITUARIES

Paralee Jessie Stansbury, 95

Paralee Jessie Stansbury, 95, of Bardstown, passed away Wednesday, June 24, 2025, at Norton Brownsboro Hospital. She was born Nov. 16, 1929, in Cox’s Creek, to the late James Powers and Eva Grace Helton Stansbury. Paralee retired from South Central Bell after 40 years. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church where she served in the Basilica Choir, Resurrection Choir and Hand Bell Choir. She was also a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America, KY Colonel Commission, Stephen Foster Music Club, Nelson County Genealogy Roundtable, Flaget Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and the United Way Executive Board.



In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Weyman S. Stansbury and Joseph Vella Stansbury. She is survived by her sisters, Sherry Stansbury of Bardstown, Linda C. Rountree of Deatsville, as well as several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. A Mass of Christian

burial for Ms. Paralee Jessie Stansbury will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 1, at the Basilica of St. Joseph Proto-Cathedral with the Rev. J. Randy Hubbard as the celebrant. Interment will be in St. Joseph Church Cemetery. Visitation will be at the Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home in Bardstown Monday from 4 to 8 p.m. with a prayer service at 6 p.m. Additional visitation will be Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The family requests that expressions of sympathy take the form of contributions to Mass of the Air or the St. Joseph Basilica Choir. Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Carolyn Downs, 76



Carolyn Downs, 76, of Bardstown, passed away Sunday, June 29, 2025, at her residence. She was born Oct. 19, 1948, in Samuels, retired from American Greetings, and was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph "Ronnie" Downs; and seven siblings, Kathleen Faulkner, Paul Thurman, Lina Hamilton, Larry Thurman, Jim Thurman, Gonda Thompson and Martha Cahoe. The funeral for Gloria Burgin Sweazy, 89, of Bardstown was 11 a.m. Saturday, June 28, 2025, at Barlow Funeral Home, with burial in Highview Cemetery in Chaplin. Brother Ray Johnson officiated.

She is survived by her brother, Joe Thurman; a sister, Kathy Thurman Spalding, both of Bardstown; and several nieces and nephews. Her memorial service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 8, at Barlow Funeral Home, with inurnment in St. Joseph Cemetery. The Rev. Brandon DeToma will officiate. Visitation will be 9-11 a.m. Tuesday, July 8, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may go to donor's favorite charity. Barlow Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Gloria Burgin Sweazy, 89

The funeral for Gloria Burgin Sweazy, 89, of Bardstown was 11 a.m. Saturday, June 28, 2025, at Barlow Funeral Home, with burial in Highview Cemetery in Chaplin. Brother Ray Johnson officiated. Pallbearers were Challen McCoy, Matthew McCoy, Shawn Killinger, Steven Newton, David Sweazy and Andrew Sweazy. Honorary pallbearers were her grandchildren, Chris Kuykendall, Amanda Vance, and Brandon Sweazy; and her great-grandchildren. Barlow Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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COMMUNITY NOTES

NEW

Home Coming celebration

Join the Bardstown-Nelson County Chamber and My Old Kentucky Home for its Home Coming Celebration on July 4 starting at 5 p.m. Enjoy live music and full cash bar, food truck, kid zone (\$10 wristbands with family discount, local vendors and businesses and free carriage rides and lawn games.

Stephen Foster Story July 4 special performance

Stephen Foster Story Fourth of July special will include preshow activities starting at 6:30 p.m. with the performance starting at 8 p.m. followed by a personal view of the fireworks. Chamber Members receive 25% off adult tickets to the July 4th opening night performance. Call 502-348-5971 and mention Bardstown Chamber to claim your discount. Stephen Foster Story ticket holders get:

- FREE access to the Kid Zone at Stephen Foster and Home Coming
- Stephen Foster Story pre-show activities
- Cupcakes during intermission
- Cast meet & greet
- Reserved seats for the fireworks
- Visit www.stephenfoster.com for more information!

City Hall closed for holiday

City Hall will be closed on Friday, July 4, to observe Independence Day. As a result, garbage collection for Friday, July 4 will be Saturday, July 5. Please note the container guidelines below: Containers must be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. on your designated collection day and removed within 24 hours after collection. Residential solid waste containers shall be containers of no more than 35 gallons nor less than 10 gallons. Three container limit. All waste must be bagged. Containers shall be leak proof, waterproof, and fitted with a fly-tight lid. The weight of

any individual bundle or container and its contents shall not exceed 40 pounds. Containers not meeting the specifications defined in the Solid Waste Management Ordinance shall be considered waste and will be collected together with their contents and disposed of.

Rolling Fork Volunteer Fire Department

The Rolling Fork Volunteer Fire Department Inc. will hold its quarterly Board of Director's meeting July 8, at 7 p.m. at the Fire Station, 362 Center St., in New Haven.

Democratic Party meeting change

Due to this month's meeting falling on the eve of a major holiday, the meeting this Thursday has been changed and the next meeting will be at 6:15 p.m. Thursday, July 10, in the Nelson County Public Library in Bardstown. This will be an informal meeting and training session on the basics of our local Democratic Party and the KDP in general. Please put this date on your calendar and try to attend. All Democrats in Nelson County are invited and encouraged to attend.

Bread for Life Community food pantry

The Bread for Life Community Food Pantry is now open at 1065 Bloomfield Road in Bardstown (across from Nelson County High School) will host a ribbon-cutting at 11 a.m. July 16 or drop in anytime between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. for family-friendly activities. The hours are Monday-Thursday 12:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Farm to Table

The Guthrie Opportunity Center will have a Farm to Table event at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16. This is our fourth annual event and it promises to be our most spectacular yet, featuring a delightful selection of cuisine,

wonderful company, and an exciting array of auction items. Come and enjoy an evening filled with culinary delights, community connections, and the opportunity to support a worthy cause.

The Farm to Table event will kick off with a cocktail hour at 6 p.m., followed by a multi-course gourmet meal prepared by Bardstown's acclaimed chef, Newman Miller. Chef Miller will be using ingredients grown by our very own participants in the GO Center Garden, ensuring a fresh and delicious dining experience. Curated wines will accompany the meal throughout the evening. Admission is \$150. Admission includes a cocktail hour, a multi-course gourmet meal by chef Newman Miller using ingredients from the GO Center Garden, and an auction to raise funds for the intellectually and developmentally disabled (IDD) citizens. This year, funds will support new programs. Sponsorships are sought to enhance fundraising efforts. Your attendance and support directly benefit the Guthrie Opportunity Center and our mission to enhance the lives of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities within our community.

Loretto Motherhouse

Robert Docs and Grace Baugh Bennett will perform a double bass/piano concert at Loretto Motherhouse on Saturday, July 26, at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. No admission charge.

2025 NCPL summer reading program

The annual Nelson County Public Library summer reading program "Color Our World," runs thru Aug. 2. Stop by the front desk at any branch for registration materials for all ages. Turn in completed participation forms by Aug. 2 (Aug. 8 for adults) at any branch and be entered for door prize

drawings.

Bardstown Fire Dept. Community Day

Bardstown Fire Department will have will have a free community day events 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16 at Station 1, 1 Arch Pendergrass Way. Bouncy houses for kids and food trucks will be on site. Fire extinguisher training, car seat installations and checks will be featured. These demonstrations will allow you to see what the fire department does and the equipment they use.

Nelson County Fair pageants

The Nelson County Fair Pageant Committee has entry forms available for all pageants at the Nelson County Fair. There are pageants that are open to all residents of the State of Kentucky and some pageants that are for Nelson County residents only. All entry forms, rules and information can be found at www.nelsoncofair.com. The Nelson County Fair will be held the week of July 14 and admission each night is \$15, which includes all rides and events, with the exception of the helicopter rides which is an additional cost.

JULY

Closure on Eddie Miles Road

The Nelson County Road Department has announced that there will be a closure at 200 Eddie Miles Road beginning Tuesday, July 1. The road will be closed between 3-4 weeks depending on the weather.

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Louisville Orchestra at the library

Let the pages of "Llama Destroys

the World" come alive with a Louisville Orchestra ensemble on Saturday, July 12, at the Nelson County Public Library for the captivating "Once Upon an Orchestra" series, where live interactive storytelling meets the magic of music — an experience the whole family will enjoy. Performance begins at 11 a.m. No need to RSVP for this free community event proudly presented as part of the LO's Statewide 'In Harmony Tour.' And be sure to join us on the evening of Sunday, July 13, for a free full orchestra concert at the Stephen Foster Amphitheater. Details and tickets available at louisvilleorchestra.org/inharmonytour.

Mosquito Fogging Program

The City of Bardstown will begin the Mosquito Fogging Program has begun and will continue with the fogging every three (3) weeks until the first frost of winter.

The City will begin fogging, as weather permits, from dusk until dawn on the following Wednesdays:

- July 9
- July 30
- August 20
- Sept. 10
- Oct. 1
- Oct. 22 (if necessary)

During fogging operations, please keep children away from the fogging vehicle, go inside and remain indoors while the fogging vehicle is in your neighborhood. We will not fog in the areas where residents have indicated health issues or concerns. If you would like to be added to the "No Fog List" please call City Hall at (502) 348-5947.

Garbage delay

Nelson County Solid Waste will not pick up garbage on Friday, July 4. Customers who normally have Friday pickup will have pickup Saturday, July 5.

BARDSTOWN

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awarded: Spirit of Main Street for Local Leader Betty Kelley Hart, Best Fundraising Effort for Cheers to Bardstown, Best Outdoor Space Improvements for Mayor’s Park, Best Promotion of Downtown for Merriest Main Street and Best Adaptive Reuse Project for Will Hardy.

Randi Mouser, Executive Director of Bardstown Main Street, said when the entire board heard of the wins they were thrilled. Mouser said the team works hard on all their initiatives, so being recognized was clear reminder of the work, collaboration and dedication they have. For her, it shows they're making a real difference.

“It’s such a proud moment for us and a huge testament to the heart, vision, and teamwork that makes our downtown so special,” she said. “These honors reflect the passion we have for preserving and growing the

charm of Bardstown, and we could not be more excited for what’s ahead in the future.”

Bardstown Main Street hosts numerous programs through the year including: The Bourbon City Street Concert, the Arts and Crafts Festival, Cheers to Bardstown and Light Up Bardstown. They also host Late Night Shopping and variety of events for community members of all ages with the goal to revitalize downtown and support local businesses.

Two local individuals were recognized for their dedication to downtown Bardstown, Hart and Hardy. Hart has been focused on the revitalization of Bardstown for the last 25 years. Hart, a Bardstown City Councilwoman, has been an advocate to preserve its historic roots, while also focusing on the future.

Hardy and his wife Alicia, local business owners, have revitalized 131 N. 3rd Street. Formerly, People’s Bank, the Hardys have brought new life to the building creating a VRBO, a storefront and a cocktail emporium.

In the nomination for the Hardys' revitalization efforts, the application reads: “Care was taken to maintain key architectural elements, paying tribute to the building's rich history while adapting it for modern use. Will Hardy’s vision and dedication to the project are a testament to how historic properties can be successfully revitalized — preserving architectural heritage and supporting economic growth at the same time.”

Mouser said through and through she couldn’t be prouder of her team. As the most awarded program from the event, she said it is the

most incredible honor. However, this recognition motivates the Board to continue to make more of an impact in the future. She said supporting small businesses, creating welcoming spaces and preserving downtown’s character is what they strive to do.

The program’s time at the awards ceremony also gave them a look into the work of other Main Street programs statewide. Mouser said they were very impressed with Murray’s with their online platform. The Western Kentucky town has found a way to use their online presence to increase visibility

for local businesses.

Mouser said Bardstown has been looking to do the same. They are looking to establish a brand for downtown, hoping to spotlight local establishments in a new way.

Looking to the future, Mouser said they’re energized and ready to build on this momentum. She said the whole team and program being recognized statewide

is a testament to what’s possible when they work together for the good of downtown.

“Bardstown Main Street reflects the purpose behind everything we do: supporting and showcasing our downtown,” she said. “Every project, event, and initiative we take on is done with our downtown businesses and community in mind. It’s why we love what we do.”



The Kentucky Standard

Early July 4th Deadlines

Office Closed Friday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Due to this we will have Early Deadline for Sunday, July 6th Kentucky Standard.

Classified / Public Notice / Legal Deadline: Tuesday, July 1st at 3 p.m. All Other Advertising Deadline: Wednesday, July 2nd at 10 a.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Public Service Commission of Kentucky issued an order on June 26, 2025, scheduling public comment meetings to be held on July 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at the Bluegrass Community and Technical College, 164 Opportunity Way, Lexington, KY 40511 and on July 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight time, at Jefferson Community & Technical College: Southwest Campus Auditorium, 1000 Community College Dr, Louisville, KY 40272 for the purpose of hearing public comments regarding Kentucky Utilities Company and Louisville Gas and Electric Company Case No. 2025-00045, which is the Application for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Site Compatibility Certificates.



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