

Passing Down A Little Extra Sparkle



A new mom's lifelong admiration for Dolly becomes a legacy worth passing down to her daughter.

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Shae Crain Wilcoxson is seen holding her daughter, Sutton Joy. A lifelong Dolly Parton fan, Shae hopes to one day share not only Dolly's music with Sutton Joy, but also the kindness, confidence, generosity, and sparkle that made the music legend so special.

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Some people can pinpoint the exact moment they became a fan: a song they heard, a movie they watched, or a memory that stayed with them through the years.

But for Shae Crain Wilcoxson, there was never really a beginning with Dolly Parton. Dolly was simply always there.

“I honestly don’t remember one exact moment when I became such a huge Dolly fan. I feel like Dolly has just always been one of those people I was drawn to and looked up to,” Shae said. “Being from Kentucky and growing up not far from Tennessee, she always felt like someone who represented this part of the country in such a special way. As I got older, though, I started loving her for so much more than her music. The more I learned about who she was as a person, the more I loved her. Before I knew it, everyone who knew me knew how much I loved Dolly.”

As Shae grew older, her admiration for Dolly only deepened. The more she learned about the woman behind the music and fame, the more she found to admire: Dolly’s humility, kindness, and generosity.

“Of course, I loved the hair, the outfits, the rhinestones, and all the sparkle, but underneath all of that, she seemed to have such a genuinely good heart,” Shae said. “She never changed who she really was. She could be one of the biggest stars in the world and still somehow make people feel like she was just Dolly from East Tennessee. I loved that she never seemed ashamed of where she came from or tried to become somebody different. She was so funny, humble, giving, and completely herself.”

“I think one of the biggest things Dolly showed people was that you can be successful and still be kind,” Shae continued. “You don’t have to forget where you came from when life is good to you. Her generosity,



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Shae Crain Wilcoxson poses alongside a larger-than-life image of Dolly Parton during one of her Dolly-related visits. Shae said visiting places connected to Dolly has always made her feel a little closer to the story of the woman she admired for far more than her music.



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Sutton Joy wears a Dolly Parton outfit while lying on a Dolly blanket, both gifted to her. Her mother, Shae Crain Wilcoxson, said the gifts have taken on an even more special meaning following Dolly's passing, as she hopes to one day share with Sutton Joy the music, kindness, and sparkle that made Dolly so special.

especially everything she did for children and literacy through the Imagination Library, always stood out to me. She made giving back part of her legacy. I also loved the confidence she had in being exactly who she was. She was never afraid to be a little extra, wear the rhinestones, laugh at herself, and still be taken seriously.”

Of course, the music remains a big part of Shae’s love for Dolly, and narrowing decades of songs down to a single favorite is nearly impossible.

One song, however, carries a memory that belongs not only to Shae, but also to her mother.

“‘Hard Candy Christmas’ will always be special because there is so much meaning behind it, and my mom and I always sing that together during

Christmas time,” Shae said. “I love when she sings ‘There Was Jesus’ with Zach Williams. I also love ‘I Will Always Love You.’ And, of course, ‘9 to 5’ is a favorite. That song really makes you want to conquer the day! Dolly had a way of making you laugh one minute, encouraging you, and then making you emotional with a song the next.”

Shae has also had opportunities to step a little closer into the world Dolly created, visiting places where her story and East Tennessee roots are still celebrated.

“Dollywood is definitely special to me,” Shae said. “The Dolly Experience there in her dressing room was amazing to me. There is just something about being in East

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BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE AND ORDER OF SALE OF THE BUTLER CIRCUIT COURT, the Master Commissioner will sell at public auction the real property in the following action on **Friday, September 18, 2026** about the hour of **10:00 a.m.** at the Courthouse Door of the Butler County Courthouse located on Main Street in Morgantown, Butler County, Kentucky. Said property shall be sold to collect the amounts hereinafter set forth, together with interest and the costs of the action, and upon the following terms and conditions (unless otherwise stated).

- The successful purchaser may pay the purchase price in full on the date of sale OR the successful purchaser will be required to pay 10% down on the date of sale with the balance of the purchase price plus interest on said balance at the rate the judgment bears (KRS 426.705) from the date of sale with balance to be paid within 30 days of the date of sale. If the successful purchaser does not pay the purchase price in full on the day of sale, the purchaser shall execute a bond with an approved surety bearing interest at the rate the judgment bears (KRS 426.705) from the date of sale until paid which bond shall have the force and effect of a judgment. The Commissioner shall retain a lien upon the property sold as additional security. All bidders must be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.
- The property is sold subject to the following:
 - State, County, City and School taxes payable for the entire year of 2026 and all taxes due thereafter. The Master Commissioner will make a good faith effort to obtain and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years; however, this cannot be guaranteed.
 - Easement, restrictions, and covenants of record.
 - Any facts which an inspection or accurate survey of the property may disclose.
 - Any assessments for public improvements levied against the property.
 - Any applicable zoning regulations.
- The property shall otherwise be sold free and clear of any and all right, title and interest of all parties to the action and their liens and encumbrances thereon.
- For a more particular description of these properties, reference is made to the file on record at the Butler Circuit Clerk's Office on the second floor of the Butler County Courthouse.
- You assume risk of loss of the property the day of the sale. Therefore, you should secure property and casualty insurance to protect your interest.
- The Master Commissioner does not have access to the properties listed below and therefore makes no representation or warranty of any kind as to the conditions of these properties.

SALE #1

KENTUCKY HOUSING CORP vs. CHRISTOPHER OAKS, et al., pending in Butler Circuit Court, 26-CI-00096, to collect \$157,777.84 as of December 1, 2025, plus interest until paid, advances for taxes and insurance, reasonable attorney fees, the court costs herein expended, and the expenses of the sale.

1574 Russellville Road, Butler County, KY PVA Map #047-00-00-005.01

BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Christopher Oaks, single, by Deed dated September 27, 2023, and recorded in Deed Book 254, page 587, in the Office of the Butler County Court Clerk's Office.

HON. SEPTIMOUS TAYLOR, ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF

SALE #2

MOVEMENT MORTGAGE, LLC vs. EDDIE NEIGHBORS, et al., pending in Butler Circuit Court, 26-CI-00086, to collect \$222,978.32 as of June 30, 2026, plus interest until paid, advances for taxes and insurance, reasonable attorney fees, the court costs herein expended, and the expenses of the sale.

3334 Oak Ridge Road, Morgantown, Butler County, KY PVA Map#081-00-00-010.01

BEING THE SAME property conveyed from James D. Embry and Deanna Embry, husband and wife, to Stacia Neighbors and Eddie Neighbors, wife and husband, by Deed dated May 28, 2021 and recorded in Deed Book 245, Page 53, records of the Butler County Court Clerk's Office.

HON. VERONICA L. STEWART, ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF

SALE #3

MORTGAGE RESEARCH CENTER, LLC vs. ROGER L. LESTER, et al., pending in Butler Circuit Court, 25-CI-00200, to collect \$79,470.58 as of January 30, 2026, plus interest until paid, advances for taxes and insurance, reasonable attorney fees, the court costs herein expended, and the expenses of the sale.

948 Arnold Ridge Road, Morgantown, Butler County, KY PVA Map #011-00-00-019.04

Being the same property conveyed from Kenny McPherson, unmarried, by and through his power of attorney, Bobby McPherson, to Roger L. Lester, unmarried, in fee simple by virtue of a Deed dated February 26, 2021 and recorded February 26, 2021 at Deed Book 243, Page 638 of the Butler County, Kentucky real estate records.

HON. VERONICA L. STEWART, ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF

This the 27th day of May, 2026 Samantha Short Miller, Butler County Master Commissioner