OBITUARIES

MARY BOSWELL

Mary Elizabeth Sutton Boswell, 44, died Thursday, May 28, 2026, surrounded by loved ones.

Born Dec. 12, 1981, in Harrodsburg, she was the cherished daughter of Greg and Sue Sutton.

Mary's educational journey took her from Harrodsburg High School to Maryville College in Tennessee. After graduation, she enrolled at Eastern Kentucky University, becoming a registered nurse. Her dedication to her profession led her to work at Eastern State Hospital since 2004, where she helped countless patients. Mary was also a clinical instructor at EKU since 2021.

Mary's greatest achievement in life was raising her son, J.T. He was her only child, and she was incredibly proud of him every day. She found immense joy in watching him play sports and cherished the memories they made together on their travels. Mary had a deep love for the ocean and dreamed of retiring and moving to the beach. She was an exceptional sister, the kind you wish you had, and an even better friend. Her absence will be deeply felt by all who knew her.

Survivors, in addition to her parents, include: her beloved son, James Travis "J.T." Boswell; two sisters, Katie (Josh) Smith and Annie Sutton; one nephew, Cole (Dawn Despain) Smith; one great-nephew, Cooper Smith; and several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Glen and Leota Foltz, and paternal grandparents, Reid and Florence Sutton.

A celebration of life service will be held 1 p.m., Saturday, June 6, at Sims Funeral Services with Josh Snyder officiating.

Visitation time will begin at noon at Sims Funeral Services.

Visitation Friday, June 5, from 5-8 p.m. and Saturday from noon until the time of service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the American Lung Association, Donation Processing Center, P.O. Box 70360, Philadelphia, PA 19176-0360, in Mary's memory.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.simsfuneralservices.com.

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TERRY BURTON

Terry B. Burton, 64, of Lexington, died Friday, May 22, 2026, at Hosparus Inpatient Care Center in Louisville.

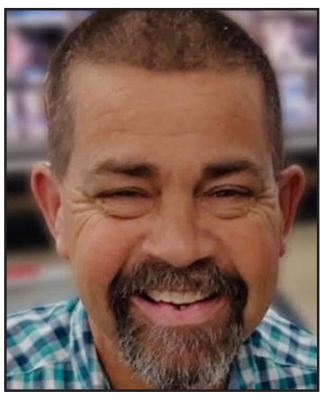
Born Dec. 4, 1961, in Harrodsburg, he was the son of William Alvin Burton of Taylorsville and the late Patsy J. Proctor Burton.

He was a retired U.S. Navy veteran who served in Operation Enduring Freedom, served as a counselor in the U.S. Navy and served in the Army National Guard.

Survivors, in addition to his father, include: one sister, Jennifer Burton, and one brother, Jerry Burton.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 29, at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel, with Frank Preston officiating. Burial with military honors was in the Bohon Church Of Christ Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.



GREGORY DEAN

Gregory "Greg" Allen Dean, 54, of Danville, passed away Saturday, May 30, 2026, in Danville.

He was born on Jan. 15, 1972, in Louisville, to Roger Allen and Ruby Peavler Dean of Mt. Washington.

Greg was the store manager for Kroger in Danville and was a dedicated employee for over 30 years. Greg loved the Louisville Cardinals, was a faithful member of Southland Christian Church and the beach was his happy place. He was a friend to everyone and lived life to the fullest.

Survivors, in addition to his parents, include: one son, Andrew Dean of Nicholasville; one daughter, Abigail (Aidan) Stewart-Hoskins of Danville; one sister, Sharon (Brian) Rountree of Taylorsville; step children, Hagen Tyler of Richmond, Landon Stratton of Danville, and Maddy Stratton of Danville; grandchildren, Sloan and Norah Stewart-Hoskins, both of Danville; two step grandchildren, Ava and Malaya; two nephews, Clayton and Cody Rountree of Taylorsville; a special little friend, Asher Browning and a host of aunts, uncles and extended family.

Funeral services are today, Thursday, June 4, at 11 a.m. at Preston Pruitt Spurlin Funeral Home with Bro. Jerry Browning officiating. Burial is in Highland Memory Gardens in Mt Washington.

Visitation 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2026 at the funeral home.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.preston-pruitt.com.

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PHYLLIS LOTT

Phyllis A. Lott, 78, wife of Charles W. Lott, of Perryville, died Monday, May 25, 2026, at her home.

Born Aug. 21, 1947, in Pikeville, she was the daughter of the late Daniel Boone and Ruth Jane (May) Dye.

She attended Perryville Baptist Church and was a retired medical technologist for Oakwood Down River Hospital in Lincoln Park, Michigan.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include: one daughter, Charity Lott of Louisville; two sons, Jeremy (Debra) Lott and Ted (Rachel) Lott, both of Lincoln Park, Michigan; and one grandson.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.

DONNA NOVAK-RENO

Donna E. Novak-Reno, 71, wife of Clinton B. Reno, of Harrodsburg, died Saturday, May 23, 2026, at her home.

Born Oct. 20, 1954, in Baltimore, Maryland, she was the daughter of the late Donald R. and Delores O. (Sherwood) Wilt.

She had retired as a dietician aide at Franklin Square Hospital.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include: one son, John Michael "Mike" (Kim) Novak of Harrodsburg; one sister, Bonnie Jean Houseknecht of Baltimore, Maryland; and three grandchildren.

She as preceded in death by one sibling.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.

ROBERT WADE

Robert "Bobby" Wade Huffman, 83, of Salvisa, died Saturday, May 23, 2026, at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville.

Born July 17, 1942, in Lebanon, he was the son of the late James H. and Ola Mae (Rinehart) Huffman.

He was a 1960 graduate of Mercer County High School, retired as a public servant from the Commonwealth of Kentucky, was a lifetime member of Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and Anderson County Sportsman Club and was a Kentucky Colonel.

Survivors include: one son, Keith (Angie) Huffman of Harrodsburg; one daughter, Kimberly Huffman of Salvisa; one brother, Paul Huffman; one brother-in-law, Orban Mayes of Harrodsburg; the mother of his children, Bonnie C. Wyrick of Salvisa; and two nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, May 28, at Ransdell Funeral Chapel, with Rocky and Denise Wallace officiating.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Center for Dementia Research, Nathan S. Kline Institute, 140 Old Orangeburg Rd., Orangeburg, NY 10962; Attn: Dr. Ralph Nixon or to your favorite charity.

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Ordinance No. 2026-12 repeals the City of Harrodsburg's prior ethics ordinances (Ordinance 1994-1992 and Ordinance 2014-14) and replaces them with the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) Model Ethics Ordinance to comply with KRS 65.003. It establishes an updated "City of Harrodsburg, Kentucky Code of Ethics" including definitions and standards of conduct (such as conflicts of interest rules, contract restrictions, gift limits, nepotism prohibitions, and limits on misuse of confidential information), requires certain officials and employees to file annual financial disclosure statements, and creates/uses a joint city-county ethics board to enforce the code through investigations, hearings, and penalties, with the ordinance taking effect upon publication as required by law. The full text of Ordinance 2026-12 is available on the City of Harrodsburg website.

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"I didn't have a bill," said City Clerk Angela Stewart, who said there had been a lot of turnover at the Rumpke office.

"At one time, we weren't getting any bills," Stewart said. She said she thought the missing payment was from December 2024.

"I never did get a bill for that month," the clerk said.

"We pay them too much for them to come back and us pay them more," said Councilwoman Melinda Wofford. Wofford suggested adding language to the Rumpke contract in the future to cover the eventuality.

Councilman McCoy asked for an explanation of the city's arrangement with Rumpke.

"We collect money, and then we send money back to Rumpke," Mayor Keebortz explained.

McCoy asked if it could be broken down to more accurately reflect how the money is handled.

"I don't know how to do it," Stewart said. She said she would have to break it down on a spreadsheet every month.

Stewart said she has a similar problem with the revenue the city collects for insurance, including home, life, fire and automotive insurance.

"I have to go in there and manually break them down," Stewart said.

Mayor Keebortz recommended splitting the budget up. The friendly little city collected $725,000 last year in utilities, including Rumpke, the sewer, water bills and fees and taxes. Much of that money goes from the city to the utility provider, such as Rumpke and the Mercer County Sanitation District, which operates Burgin's sanitary sewer. On Monday, Stewart said the city collects an administrative fee to cover billing expenses.

Another line item that went over this year was the $1,500 budgeted for scholarships to Burgin Independent students. The council voted to hand out $2,500 for five scholarships instead.

Moving forward, Mayor Keebortz suggested setting aside $3,500 for scholarships instead of $1,500 in the new budget.

"I really don't think we should do that," said Councilwoman Wofford, who questioned whether the city should be awarding scholarships at all.

"I just don't think that's a wise use of taxpayer money," Wofford said.

Councilman McCoy, who teaches 6th-grade math and science at Burgin Independent and who has said he has four children who have either gone through or are going through the school system, called the scholarships an investment in the community.

"It strengthens the community," McCoy said.

Wofford also suggested requiring scholarship applicants to live in Burgin, not just attend school there.

Mayor Keebortz suggested the council create rules for applying for the scholarships.

Councilman Travis Irvin moved to amend the budget and transfer the funds. Wofford seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Wofford also questioned the line item for alcohol licensing sales, noting it was $30,000 in the new budget. Keebortz said the city had collected more than $28,000 so far this year.

The city council voted to go wet in March of last year. Keebortz said they didn't know how much revenue to project because it was Burgin's first year as a wet city.

Under statute, any revenue Burgin receives on alcohol sales has to go towards alcohol-related expenses incurred by the city, such as ABC administrative costs, including payroll, office supplies and law enforcement.

Alcohol money that is not spent must be surrendered to the state.

"We can't hold it over," Keebortz said. "So we'll have to find something here for this fiscal year."

Wofford also asked about paving, which is set at $0 in the proposed budget. Municipalities rely on revenue from the state gas tax for paving roads. Stewart explained that Burgin, which was projected to collect $7,000 in the next fiscal year, usually skips every other year in order to allow enough money to accrue.

"You'll have to wait until next year," said Keebortz, who said Burgin collects from up to $1,700 every month from the state for paving.

"Does that mean you don't anticipate paving this year?" McCoy asked.

"It would have to be a very small street," Keebortz said. The mayor said the city has been doing patch jobs, but has tried to use the funds to cover entire streets. Keebortz estimated it would cost $1.1 million to pave the entire city. Next year, if they found a street, they could take care of it.

Councilwoman Wofford moved to give first reading to the budget with all necessary changes. Councilman Irvin seconded. Wofford's motion passed unanimously.

The council will have to give the budget a second reading before the end of the fiscal year. There are still questions about the budget, including the cost of rejoining the Harrodsburg-Mercer County Joint Planning and Zoning Commission and the cost of the city's insurance.

"We may have to amend it," Keebortz told the commission.

Wofford thanked Stewart for the time they'd spent on the budget.

"I appreciate the work on it," Wofford said.

The next regular meeting of the Burgin City Council is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m. at Burgin City Hall (117 South Maple Street, Burgin). Keep abreast of events and watch city council meetings at the City of Burgin's Facebook page, @burgin117.

HARRODSBURG WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
INVITATION TO BID
TREATMENT CHEMICAL PERACETIC ACID (22% PAA)

The City of Harrodsburg Wastewater Treatment Plant is seeking bids for treatment chemicals for a two-year term for the 2026-2028 FY (July 1st, 2026 – June 30th, 2028). The supplier must be able to provide the chemicals in the specific manner and quantities identified for each chemical listed as needed. Prices shall include delivery and be guaranteed for one year from acceptance. Vendors shall provide notice of a change in price after the first year. Price shall be Per Pound for the following chemicals Peracetic Acid (22% PAA).

If any questions, please contact Jim Reed or Cody Gowins at (859) 325-1886

Interested suppliers should return sealed bids to:

Harrodsburg City Hall
ATTN: Wastewater Treatment Plant Chemical Bids
208 S. Main Street, Harrodsburg, KY 40330

Sealed bids will be opened noon Friday June 19th, 2026, and awarded on Monday June 22nd, 2026.

The City of Harrodsburg reserves the right to reject all bids, or to accept other than the lowest bid if deemed in the best interest of the City. The City of Harrodsburg reserves the right to terminate the terms of contract at any time should the conditions arise. The City of Harrodsburg is an "equal Opportunity Employer".

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