OBITUARIES

Edward William O'Bryan, 73



Edward William O'Bryan, 73, passed away on Oct. 27, 2026, at Bardstown Health and Rehabilitation. Born Feb. 13, 1953, he was known for his sense of humor, quiet generosity, and unapologetic opinions. Edward worked as a brick and stone mason, a profession he loved and excelled in. He was a member of the Catholic faith and found joy in the simple things — a morning coffee, time with family, a cold beer and a well-told story. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his son, James (Jim) O'Bryan; his mother, Ruby O'Bryan; and a brother, Paul O'Bryan.

He is survived by his father, Charles A. O'Bryan; two brothers, Charles O'Bryan (Jo Kaye) and Joseph O'Bryan; two sisters, Lucy Greenwell and Marietta Rutledge (Frank); his son, Kelly O'Bryan; a daughter, Brooke Smoak; eight grandchildren; and eight nieces and nephews. Also left to cherish his memory are his extended family, the Lanhams, who cared for him as their own.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church, 104 Church Street in New Hope. The Rev. A. Biju Chathely C.M.I. will officiate. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

The visitation is 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, and 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at Mattingly Funeral Home, 195 Holy Cross Road in Loretto, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. by the Rev. Deacon Joseph R. Dant.

Mattingly Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mattingly Funeral Home

Barbara Carol Medvecky, 84



A Bardstown resident, Mrs. Barbara Carol Medvecky, 84, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2026, at Norton Brownsboro Hospital. She was born Aug. 18, 1942, in Bardstown, to the late Dillard Orce and Anna Evelyn Roberts Brown. Barbara was a former manager at Alfred Mainzer in New York and was a former accountant in Louisville. She enjoyed baking, playing cards, gardening and ceramics, and especially loved spending time with her grandchildren. Barbara was a member of Bardstown Baptist Church.

She is survived by her loving husband, Frank Medvecky; her son, Troy Matthew Medvecky; her daughter, Danielle Maldonado, all of Bardstown; her sister, Beverly (Harold) Coulter; her brother, Wayne Brown, both of Bardstown; five grandchildren, Yvette Medvecky of New York, Alexus Maldonado, Adrianna Maldonado, Brianna Maldonado and Troy Matthew Medvecky II, all of Bardstown; and three great-granddaughters, Amariana, Chloe and Lainey.

The funeral will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home in Bardstown. Bro. Jeff McCarty will officiate. Interment will be in Holy Trinity Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be Friday, Oct. 30, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 31, after 9 a.m. until the time of the service.

Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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James 'Jim' Monroe Hayden, 82



James "Jim" Monroe Hayden, 82, of Bardstown, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2026, at Flaget Memorial Hospital. He was born March 19, 1944, in Bardstown. He was a very hardworking family man.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tubby and Margaret Hayden; and two sisters, Julia Ann Whitaker and George Marie Houck.

He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Virginia "Gini" Hayden, of Bardstown; two daughters, Robin (Brian) Parker, of Temecula, Calif., and Diane (Jerry) Nichols; three grandchildren, Brandon James Parker, of Springfield, Krista Deann (Mark Schmidt) Parker, of Chula Vista, Calif., and Erin Grace Nichols; three great-grandchildren, Elizabeth Parker, Addison Hayden Parker and Kennedy Monroe Parker; three siblings, Estelle Hayden, Neasy Miller and Henry Hayden (Jean); and several nieces and nephews.

His funeral will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at Barlow Funeral Home, with Ray Johnson officiating.

Visitation will be 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, at Barlow Funeral Home. A private burial will be held at Bardstown Cemetery.

Barlow Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Joseph 'Ralph' Williams, 79



Joseph "Ralph" Williams, 79, of Bardstown, passed away on Sunday, October 25, 2026 at University of Louisville Hospital. He was born on April 3, 1947, in Lebanon. The son of Marion and Mary Mouser Williams. He was a former employee of Bird and Son Inc. in Bardstown. Ralph was a member of the Sportsman's Club in Loretto. He loved farming, fishing, hunting, and spending time with his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one son, Kevin Ralph Williams.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Mackin Williams; a son, Marion David Williams; one daughter, Tracy Lynn Pettit (Joey Maupin), all of Bardstown; two grandchildren, William Casey Marlow (Brooke) of Campbellsville and Courtney Renee Brookman (Craig) of Frankfort; two great-grandchildren, Corbin Douglas Brookman and Carson Robert Brookman; six sisters, Margaret Ryan (Norman), Mary Edith Luckett, Carolyn Jean Thomas, Kathleen Mills (Jay), Rose George and June Wheatley (Steve); one brother, Paul Williams; and many nieces and nephews.

His funeral was 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 30, at Barlow Funeral Home with burial to follow in Bardstown Cemetery.

The family has requested memorial donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Barlow Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

JAIL LOGS

Kevin Brian Sweeney, 57, probation violation (for felony offense).

Jyheem Ta'Shyne Ellis, 19, giving officer false identifying information.

Christopher Randall Hayes, 47, alcohol intoxication in a public place.

Jakob Robert Edward Tracy, 23, careless driving, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of substance, possession of marijuana, trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree (drug unspecified).

Brandon Lavar Brice, 49, probation violation (for felony offense) hold for another county.

Anthony Kirt Hood, 40, improper equipment, failure to wear seat belts, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, possession of a controlled substance, first-degree, first offense, hydrocodone.

Samantha Raye Wieland, 32, assault, second-degree, criminal abuse/neglect, unlawful transaction with a minor, second-degree.

Note: The information above is a compiled list of daily booking logs from the Nelson County Jail. These are only a record of arrests. All individuals arrested are presumed innocent unless proven otherwise in a court of law. The bookings state the persons arrested and the charges against them. This information is public record.

COMMUNITY NOTES

NEW

The 2026 Fall leaf pick up by the City of Bardstown will start Monday, Nov. 2, and run through Thursday, Dec. 31. The City Public Works department will be working to clear leaves from the curb and gutters along city streets in the week prior. No leaf piles in front of residential properties will be picked up until Nov. 2. To participate in leaf pick up, residents are requested to rake leaves into a pile, on the grass, between the sidewalk and the street. Never rake leaves into the street, gutter, or storm drains-this can cause flooding. Small piles of leaves can be bagged and set out with weekly garbage-each bag must not exceed 40 pounds. We don't pick up mulched leaves. The City has been divided up in to nine pickup zones. Public Works crews will work through each zone in order from 1-9, before rotating back to 1. Customers are not required to call in leaf pick up tickets. You can see an interactive map and the schedule for leaf pick up zones on the City of Bardstown website at the following web page: https://www.cityofbardstown.org/.../fall_leaf_collection.php.

This map will be updated daily to show the current work zone. You can also find information about how to dispose of leaves by mulching them yourself by going to the following site: https://www.leaveleavesalone.org/mulch-mowing/

If you have any questions, please contact us at City Hall at (502) 348-5947.

BARDSTOWN BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Bardstown Board of Adjustment will have a public hearing and meet at 5 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Planning Commission Office, 989 Chambers Blvd., in Bardstown.

Items on the agenda include:

Application #3342 – Christopher Linton has filed an application for an 8-foot Variance from the required 25-foot rear yard setback, for the construction of a 400-square-foot home addition located at 307 East Halstead Avenue.

Application #3343 – Mary P. Lyvers has filed an application for a Conditional Use Permit for a Type 2 Short-Term Rental located at 217 Balsam Street.

NELSON COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Nelson County Board of Adjustment will have a public hearing and meeting at 3 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Planning Commission Office, 989 Chambers Blvd., in Bardstown.

Items on the agenda include:

APPEAL – (Continuation) Justin and Jennifer Robertson have filed an appeal on the Zoning Administrative Official's decision on the keeping of goats on the property located at 1011 Royal Oak Dr. in Bardstown, KY.

• New Business

Application #3338 – Edward Neil Bryan has filed an application for a 10-foot Variance from the required 25-foot secondary front yard setback, for the construction of a 20′ x 21′ detached carport located at 359 Center Street.

Application #3339 – Laura Festervan has filed an application for a Conditional Use Permit for a Short-Term Rental located at 471 Ritchie Lane.

Application #3340 – Amanda & Zachariah Traxler have filed an application for a Conditional Use Permit for an Owner-Operated Specialty Skilled Shop (lumber products) located at 380 Hall Simpson Road.

Application #3341 – David and Ann Marie Williams have filed an application for a Conditional Use Permit for an Event Facility located at 2540 Simpson Creek Road.

Application #3344 – Patel Land Bardstown LLC has filed an application for a 22-foot Variance from the required 50-foot secondary front yard setback, for the construction of a commercial building located at 4074 New Shepherdsville Road.

Application #3345 – Joshua and Jessica Crepps (Owner/Applicant) and Eric Schlegel (Buyer/Co-Applicant) have filed an application for a Conditional Use Permit for a Short-Term Rental located at 137 Lawrence Lane.

STEPHEN FOSTER DRAMA ASSOCIATION TO PRESENT 'FROZEN'

The Stephen Foster Drama Association (SFDA) has announced that their 2027 Summer Broadway Musical will be Disney's "Frozen." The show, set to be performed in July and August, will take place at the J. Dan Talbott Amphitheatre in Bardstown. "Frozen" will be presented on Wednesday and Friday evenings from July 7 through Aug. 4 at 8 p.m. Auditions for the musical, along with "The Stephen Foster Story," will take place in-person in Bardstown or via video submission. Video auditions are being accepted now, and in-person auditions are set to begin on Feb. 20 at Nelson County High School. To learn more, visit stephenfoster.com/auditions.

Tickets for "Frozen" are available now at www.stephenfoster.com. Phone and box office sales will begin Spring 2027.

KBC BLOODMOBILE

Volunteer donors can help save local lives at this upcoming drive. All donors receive a "Support Your Local Blood Center" T-shirt as a thank you (while supplies last). The KBC Bloodmobile will be at Baptist Health Medical Group Bardstown Family Medical Center, 3615 E John Rowan Blvd., in Bardstown on Wednesday, Nov. 11, from 8:30 a.m. to noon

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KATELYN NORRIS/The Kentucky Standard

Greg Woodson shows a teen how to check his oil during a preventative car maintenance class on Wednesday at the Nelson County Public Library.

It's very important to teach them how to take care of what they got. A car can last. You can have a car for 10, 20, 30 years if you take care of it. If you don't take care of them, you're gonna have a car every other year."

Holly Lawrence, NCPL Teen Services Librarian, said Woodson gives teens practical advice. Over the last three years, Lawrence said attendance has fluctuated, but importance of the event remains the same.

"I love that Greg stresses cell phone safety, how important it is not to text and drive," Lawrence said. "It's one thing for teens to hear that from parents, but having him emphasize it as well is so valuable."

Woodson also stresses safety to the young drivers, and in addition to phones, he urged them be careful when breaking down along a busy highway. He told the teens he has seen many accidents from unaware drivers hitting parked vehicles on the shoulder.

Woodson said in an event of an emergency, it was worth the risk to find the next exit to find a safer place to pull off.

"If you're out on the highway and you have cars zooming by you, do not try to change your tire," he said. "If you're close to an exit, you can replace that rim of that tire than you can before your life — drive it up an exit. Just get on the side of the road, put a hazard on there. I know you might get fussed at when you get home, or pull over and ask your parents somebody what's the best thing to do. I don't like staying on side of highway because people don't pay attention."

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