

Area Deaths

Ruby M. Sorrell

Ruby Mae Lawson Sorrell, age 80, Frenchburg, Ky., departed this life Sunday, Sept. 13, 2026, at St. Joseph Hospital in Mt. Sterling, Ky.



She was born Aug. 18, 1946, in Frenchburg, Ky., and was the daughter of Clayton and Carma Smallwood Lawson.

Ruby had accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her Savior and attended many churches in this area.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister.

Survivors include three daughters, Kathy and Danny Wells, of Frenchburg, Ky., Ronetta Smith of Frenchburg, Ky., and Joyce and Casey Cravens, of Mt. Sterling, Ky.; one son, Ronnie and Melissa Sorrell, of Wellington, Ky.; one sister, Anita and Gary McCoy, of Frenchburg, Ky.; brother, Larry Lawson, of Frenchburg, Ky.; and eight grandchildren, Kala, Chris,

Matt, Curtis, Dakota, Emily, Tyler and Marissa; and nine great-grandchildren, Kannon, Zailey, Jacob, Isaiah, Gatlin, Quinlan, Kace, Henry and Parker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronnie Sorrell; parents, Clayton and Carma Smallwood Lawson; son-in-law, Donnie Smith; three sisters, Janice, Vivian and Catherine; and one brother, James Lawson.

Funeral services were conducted 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, at Menifee Home For Funerals with Bro. Tommy Evans sharing a message of love and comfort with the family and friends.

Interment followed in the Egelston Cemetery, Tarr Ridge Road, Frenchburg, Ky., with Menifee Home For Funerals of Frenchburg, Ky., Funeral Director Randy Halsey, in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers are Casey Cravens, Danny Wells, Chris Wells, Matt Smith, Curtis Smith, and Austin Richards. Honorary pallbearers are Ronnie Ray Sorrell, Tyler Sorrell, Darrell Wells, Jacob Smith, Kace Richards, and Kannon Adams.

Naomi Adkins

Naomi Adkins, age 68, of Frenchburg, Ky., passed away Thursday, Sept. 17, 2026, at her home following an illness.

She was born Aug. 28, 1958, in Stillwell, W.Va.

Survivors include her husband, Timothy Adkins, of Frenchburg, Ky.; son, Donald Blazer, of Paintsville, Ky.; and daughter,

Patricia Sing, of Dayton, Ohio; one grandson; and two granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Alma Rolly.

There will be no funeral service.

Menifee Home For Funerals of Frenchburg, Ky., Funeral Director Randy Halsey, was in charge of arrangements.

News Of Record

CIRCUIT COURT

New civil suits – Graber Post Buildings, Inc. vs. Red River Building & Supply, Sept. 14; Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Jessica Caudill et al, Sept. 15; Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Patrick Brown, Sept. 16; Credit Acceptance Corporation vs. Loretta Litteral, Sept. 17.

DISTRICT COURT

New civil suits – One-main Financial Group, LLC vs. Carrie A. Masters, Sept.

11; Capital One N.A. (successor by merger) vs. Jacob Ratliff, Sept. 11; Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Christopher Murphy, Sept. 15; Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Brandon Laiti, Sept. 15; Midland Credit Management, Inc. vs. Whitney Bailey, Sept. 17.

Events ...

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Tues., Oct. 13 - Farmers Appreciation Dinner 7pm @ Woodsbends Weddings & Events

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Homemakers meeting held on Sept. 11

West Liberty Homemakers Club had member had their regular monthly meeting on Sept. 11, 2026, at the Morgan County Extension Office.

Club President Sharon Lykins called the meeting to order. She welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to the meeting.

All business was taken care of.

A very interesting lesson on the care of cast iron skillets was taught by Sharon Lykins.

Games were played, door prizes were given, delicious refreshments prepared by the hostess were enjoyed.

We were happy to welcome four new members to our club: Vicki Stacy, Carolyn Gullett, Lorelei Keeton and LeAnn Spradling.

Those enjoying the evening were Sharon Lykins, Lorelei Keeton, Flo Benton, Barbara Ison, Carol Jean Hoskins Price, Carolyn Gullett, Sandy Pelfrey, Vicki Stacy, Jonell Tobin and Cricket Cantrell.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 15, with Jonell Tobin serving as hostess.

We hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

Fly management cost share pgm. available to local cattle farmers

The Morgan County Soil Conservation District is offering a best management program to help farmers improve livestock health and herd comfort. Participants who spend \$200 will receive \$100 back from the soil conservation district on qualifying fly control products. Twenty applications are available. For more information, call the district at 606-743-3194, ext 101 or stop by the office at 955 Prestonsburg St., West Liberty and fill out an application.

Caney Valley News

By Tracey Hatton

Hello again from Caney Valley! "This Little Light of Mine, I am going to let it Shine."

A neighborly hello to Ms. Billie Bishop. I noticed the other day that she celebrated her 87th birthday. Her granddaughter, Kayla Patrick-Bear posted a Happy 87th birthday to her sweet mamaw.

The Lord has blessed Billie. Her daughter, Glenda Franklin, and I were roommates in college our freshman year at Morehead State University.

Billie's children and grandchildren are very blessed to still have her in their lives. She is a loving and sweet woman. She loves her family. Time has a way of quickly passing by before we even realize.

Here is hoping you had a lovely birthday, Billie, and a great time with your family. The picture that Kayla posted of you on Facebook was beautiful.

We all have scars of sin. Some scars may be more deep than others but they are still there. When we accepted Jesus Christ as our savior, He became our atonement for our sin. A new relationship was started on a glorious path to our eternal home with Jesus. Our hearts were changed. The old sinful life was laid down.

As the apostle Paul wrote in Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

Paul also wrote in the book of Philippians 3:13-14, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Paul reminds us we don't look back, especially on our sin scars but we look toward the cross, we look toward

Jesus. Jesus is the author and finisher of our faith. It is not the Lord's will that none perish.

In 2nd Peter 3:9, "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." Jesus loves you, don't you realize that? He wants a relationship with you. He wants to be your savior.

In Psalm 103:10-13, "He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him."

Are you going to let your scars of sins dictate and control your life? Or are you going to turn your life over to Jesus and give your life to him? If the Lord is drawing you, it is time to answer your invitation of the call of salvation. It is time that you put your sin scars under the blood of Jesus.

Boone and I attended the memorial for Mike Fyffe last week. It was a humbling service. Bro. Hunter Fraley delivered remarks and read a letter that his son, Mikie, had written as a tribute to his dad. Ms. McKenna Smith, granddaughter of Mike and Lisa Fyffe, read a heartfelt letter to her papaw. Perry Allen delivered remarks of high school days with Mike as well as young adult days. Please remember Mike's family in prayers during their loss. More importantly, he accepted Jesus as his savior.

Happy spiritual birthday to those who celebrated this past week.

Happy birthday to those who celebrated this past week.

Happy anniversary to those who celebrated this past week.

The Sorghum Festival starts tomorrow. The theme for this year's festival is, "Taste the past, make memories that last." Additional details can be found elsewhere in the paper. This is a staple of Morgan County. There will be vendors set up at the flea market on 460. This is also a busy place with many vendors that set up as well as food and concessions. Come out and enjoy a great time.

In Remembrance

Georgia Stamper, Wanda Blevins, Edgar King, Coleman Howard, Janis Sheets, Billy Gevedon, Mildred Jones, Willie Barker, Shorty Terry, James R. Lykins, Allen Goodpaster, Loretta Frisby, Benita Ball, James Elam, Geneva Payton Barker, Talmadge Hager, Donald Nickell, Edwin Benton, Greg Barker, Carleen Nickell, David Stacy, Mason Montgomery, Johnnie Rae Smith, Carl Law, Nora Manning, Bernice Lewis, Howard Whitt, Martha Barker, David Goodpaster, Ovadean Gibson, Jim Whitt, Gloria Williams, Wanda Daniel, Ronald Fyffe, Judy Lykins, Lynn Kelly, Barbara May, Rhonda Lumpkins, Polly Spence, Mike Hunt, Julia Elam, Darlene Hartman, J.R. Jenkins, Keith Adkins, Kim Easterling, Mary Catherine Sexton, Elvin Clevenger, Bobby Whisman, Gene Watts, Chris Chambers, Darvin Wells, Melonie Patrick, Judy Mabry, Robert Johnson, Mary Elizabeth Francis, Darrell Adams, Bessaleen Fern Ball, Glenda Phipps, Joanna Keeton Hampton, Isaac Fugate, Lonnie Wright, Earl Triplett, Brad Thompson, Rick Jarvis, Sharia Lewis, Deward "Dude" Prater, Charlotte Dyer and Lisa Ball.

Additional Thoughts

Christians, we have a mandate: we all can "DO BETTER SOULS ARE AT STAKE." Let your light shine for the Lord. Let your conversation be seasoned with salt. Be the hands and feet of Jesus. These are not mere words. These are ACTIONS!

Ky. Fish and Wildlife fall auction set Oct. 5th

KDFWR to auction off surplus and confiscated items

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 21, 2026) — The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources will host a live auction to sell surplus items and confiscated hunting and fishing equipment on Monday, Oct. 5, 2026.

Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. (ET), and the auction of surplus property and confiscated items will begin at 9:30 a.m. (ET). The auction will be held outdoors, rain or shine, on the department's headquarters campus at 1 Sportsman's Lane in Frankfort, Kentucky.

A complete list of items available for sale is provided on the department's Surplus and Confiscated Items Auc-

tion webpage, including a large selection of boats, boat trailers and motors. Titles and registrations will be available on the day of the sale. Items are sold as-is and will not be available for hands-on inspection prior to the sale. Under state law, only qualified Kentucky residents may bid on confiscated items. Some items will require a criminal background check.

Accepted forms of payment include cash, check, certified check, credit card or debit card. Final pricing will include a buyer's premium and surcharge for credit or debit card use. Checks over \$5,000 will require a bank letter guaranteeing payment.

Under state law, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife may conduct auctions as necessary to sell surplus and con-

fiscated property. Surplus items include equipment and materials no longer needed by the agency. All confiscated items are obtained through court order and as the result of a violation of fish and wildlife laws.

By law, proceeds from Kentucky Fish and Wildlife auctions are directed into the department's fish and game fund and subject to auditing by the state Auditor of Public Accounts. The fund is used for the department's normal operating expenses including fish and wildlife conservation and related

recreation programs across the Commonwealth.

Parking will be limited to designated areas on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife campus. Game Farm Road west of the upper and lower sportsman's lakes will be restricted to residential traffic only on the day of the auction. Portable restroom facilities will be available to the public.

For more information, visit the department's website at fw.ky.gov or call 1-800-858-1549, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (ET) weekdays, excluding holidays.

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