OBITUARY

Launa Mae Cox



Launa Mae Cox, age 71, of Madison, IN, passed away peacefully on Nov. 7, 2026, at Norton Healthcare Pavilion in Louisville, KY, with her loving daughters by her side after a courageous battle with years of chronic illness.

Born on March 3, 1955, in Ripley County, IN, Mae was the daughter of Ned and Geneva (Stacy) Grigsby. On Sept. 22, 1975, she married the love of her life, Carl N. Cox. Together they shared lots of love, devotion, and friendship until Carl's passing in 2017.

Above all else, Mae cherished her family. She found great joy in spending time with her daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. A devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she played a significant role in helping raise her granddaughter, Stephane, and was a constant, loving presence in the life of her great-grandson, Jayden. Mae's face would light up whenever she was surrounded by those, she loved, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mae will be lovingly remembered by her daughters, Jennifer (Dustin) Noonkester and Ginger cox; her grandchildren, Bailey Hatton, Dagan (Jessica) Noonkester, Stephane Ashcraft (Ethan Garvey), and Zach (Kristen) Marchand; her great-grandchildren, Jayden Kinman, Adysen Ashcraft, Cain Meddings, Zachary Kinman, Addyson Marchand, Brayden Marchand, and Annabell Marchand; and her siblings, Ned (Jr) Grigsby, Keith Grigsby, Jerry Grigsby, Connie Poer, and Dianna Camara.

In addition to her soulmate, Carl, Mae was preceded in death by her parents; 12 siblings; her step daughter Cathy (Cox) Olivera; and her grandson, Brady Noonkester.

Family and friends were invited to gather in remembrance of Mae on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 3 to 6 p.m.at Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive, Madison, IN, 47250.

Funeral services begun at 6 p.m.

Per Mae's wishes a private graveside service will be at a later date.

Mae's legacy of love, strength, and devotion, to family will live on in the hearts of all who knew her and loved her dearly.

DEATH NOTICES

Stella May Banks, 90, of Vevay, IN, and formerly of Carrollton, KY, died Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2026, at her residence in Vevay. Funeral services will be private, with interment at Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison, IN. Arrangements by Morgan and Nay Funeral Home in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Marjorie Garrett, 95, Bedford, KY, died Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026, at Baptist Hospital in La Grange, KY. All services will be private. Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Peggy Laverne Sutherland Garrett, 84, of Carrollton, KY, died Saturday, Nov. 14, 2026, at the Springs of Oldham Reserve in La Grange, KY. Funeral service was Wednesday, Nov. 18, at Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, with interment in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Arlete de Oliveira Stelmo, 80, of Carrollton, KY, and formerly of Patrocinio, Minas Gerais, Brazil, died Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026, in Carrollton, Private graveside services are planned. Arrangements by Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Carroll food drive underway

BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Carroll County's annual Community Food Drive is currently underway with all donations benefiting the Food Pantry of Carroll County.

Donation of non-perishable food items can be made at the food pantry, 113 Third Street in Carrollton, or at several drop-off locations in the community.

"Every can counts! We only ask for your help once a year, so please take time to encourage donations to the Food Pantry," drive organizers said. "Food can be dropped off at First National Bank of Kentucky's Carrollton branch; Carrollton Federal Bank; Farmers Bank of Milton; Carroll County Public Library; Carrollton Utilities and Carroll County Water District No. 1 or at the Food Pantry.

Among the food items most needed are: beef stew, canned meat, canned spaghetti, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, saltine crackers and canned vegetables.

LOOKING BACK

CARROLL COUNTY
1891
Building & Loan

Carroll County announced establishment of a local Building and Loan Association — a local branch of the United States Building and Loan Association — on Nov. 6, 1891, and doing business with $500 ready to loan.

White School Statistics

The number of pupils in Carroll County the past year included 1,363 males and 1,388 females for a total of 2,751 students. It was noted that the number had not varied more than 100 over the past 10 years with the highest number of children at school 1,577, the lowest, 573 for an average of 1,182.

Washed Ashore

There are a total of 50 tow boats at Pittsburgh waiting on a rise.

John Masterson has entirely recovered from his attack of typhoid fever.

Bill Whitaker says the world is not round and any man that says it is has not got good sense and should be drummed out of town.

Sanders

Our good old friend, Boone Bradley, they say is making ready for a fifth "venture."

Miss May M. Lillard, well known in this county, was married last week in New York to P.C. Noel of Glencoe.

Eagle Station

F.M. Abbott spent two days of last week visiting his family at Sulphur.

Dr. J.R. Darbrow's new residence is being rapidly built in the northeast corner of town.

1936
Elected

Announcement was made this week by G.G. Wood, president, that Mr. Ike L. Sallee, of Frankfort, has been elected cashier of the Kentucky State bank of Carrollton. Mr. Sallee, who has already entered upon his new duties here, is a former state bank examiner and also has served as assistant Kentucky state treasurer.

Road Commissioner Succumbs

The entire community was grieved with the sad news of the death of Rural Highway Commissioner James Gayle, one of its beloved citizens, who passed away after an illness of 10 days. Mr. Gayle was first stricken with cerebral hemiplegia then pneumonia developed, and in his weakened condition he failed to respond to treatment.

Student

Paul E. Carraco, Carrollton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carraco, is a senior this year at the College of Agriculture of the University of Kentucky. Taking general agriculture, he is a member of Alpha Zeta, national honorary agricultural fraternity, Block and Bridle, and the Dairy club. He has maintained a consistently high scholastic standing, ranking in the upper two-fifths of his class and has taken active part in extra-curricular activities.

Organize

Warner Simmons, Scout Master, Buford Griffith, Joe Fothergill, Benton Ehrlich, and Buddy Marlett were in Worthville formulating plans for the organization of a Boy Scout Troop. This troop will be sponsored by the Worthville merchants and Mr. A.P. May, principal of the high school, will be assistant Scout Master.

Position in Florida

Miss Margaret Schirmer of Ghent, who left recently with Mrs. Velma Cochran for Sarasota, Florida, will be connected with the Prew School for Tourist's Children in that city.

2016
Denied

After hearing concerns from several nearby residents at a public hearing and at its meeting, the city of Carrollton's Board of Adjustments denied an application from NorthKey Community Care for a conditional use permit for the property located at 717 Clay Street, located in the R-2 residential zone.

Done by Thanksgiving

The morning commute for those living on the west side of the Kentucky River should be back to normal starting Nov. 23. The Judy C. Harp Company Inc., of Frankfort, Kentucky, completed the gusset and stringer work by the Nov. 15 deadline on the Kentucky River Bridge.



File

The unsung heroes of the follies presented in November 1976 in conjunction with Trimble County High School's fall festival were four young men — Billy Webb, Kevin Dixon, Ray Heilman, and Kenny Joyce. — who did the lighting for the production.



File

The Carroll County High School Honor Guard — from left, Jaden Stephens, Mary Barrera, Dalton Sullivan, and Zach Hall — presented the colors for a November 2016 Veterans Day celebration held at the school.

TRIMBLE COUNTY
1956
Completion Stymied

With two-thirds of the meters installed and the over-all-line completed, the water system of Trimble District No. 1 could be ready to go almost immediately, if the water tower phase of the project could have progressed in synchronization with all other work. Currently the drawback is the 100,000-gallon storage tower, and the contractor on that portion of the job claims that steel strikes have held up materials; that the tower will be erected when steel for the structural designs needed is allocated for their use.

Confiscated

A detective from the State Fire Marshal's office, State Police and Trimble Sheriff Clarence Egerton confiscated a stock of fireworks at the Kentucky Souvenir Shop in Milton.

Officials said that detectives from the Fire Marshal's office arrested three youths in an adjoining locality, and that the youths claimed the fireworks in their possession came from the Milton shop.

New Location

Rotary's Bingo Parties will resume Saturday night after a week's interruption on account of a basketball game the past Saturday night. The games will be held in a new location, a building on the property of R.E. Lee, who graciously consented to its use as a community project, across from the Bedford Garage Company.

Monies derived from the parties is being used to liquidate the Bedford Rotarians' debt incurred on the hill phase of the Trimble Water District.

Birthday

Master Gregory Hutcherson celebrated his 8th birthday with a party at his home. Those present were Kenny Foree, Greg Fisher, Sidney Crenshaw, Garry Ward, Linda Fisher, Jimmie Calvert, Linda Wainscott, Joe Schmidt, Joyce Hucherson, Gary Graham, Dale Wilson, Patricia Jett, Clifford Ellis, Gordon and sandy Hutcherson, and Judy McCain.

1976
Wall disappears

Rock scrounging is big business now days, and Harold Roberts comments caustically about rock scavengers taking a 50-foot-long rock wall from beside the drive to his home on Carmon Creek. Needless to say, the wall was vital to the farm owned by Mr. Roberts because it kept surging creek "runouts" from devastating the bottom land and further served as a stabilizer for the roadway. Since Mr. Roberts does not live on the farm, he arrived recently to be astonished at the missing rock fence. Mr. Roberts is provoked over what goes on down there; things like losing six head of cattle and now his rock fence.

Same Rock

Flinging the same big rock through glass at Morgan Drug store has happened twice in a week's time, according to Sheriff Howard Long. A week or so ago in the immediate dew drop hours before the rising sun, a big boulder-like rock was tossed through the big glass front door at Morgan's. Intruders quickly got about $40 worth of drugs and hurried out the same way as they went in while alarms were alerting. The Sheriff got another call to Morgan's at about 8 a.m. Monday, then to learn that entry had been gained by picking up the same big rock from beside the store driveway and flinging it through the glass again.

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Business as Usual

The family of Bill Hughes is devastated by the loss of their patriarch. His shoes are certainly big to fill. As the owner operator of Little Town and Country restaurant for 57 years, Bill was also a big part of the community. Left to fill those shoes is his son Joe Hughes.

Joe says he wants to continue to provide customers the same manner of treatment they are accustomed to over the years.

CARROLL

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Business Influence, a Level 5 felony.

According to Carroll Sheriff Ryan Gosser, Austin has been arrested multiple times over the years and "historically is a problem." He said Austin was physically "pushing back" against the deputy on Monday when Roberts became involved. He said her contact with the deputy was verbal in nature and did not involve physical contact.

The incident allegedly took place while Roberts was acting in her official capacity as Commonwealth's Attorney for 15th Judicial Circuit representing Carroll, Grant and Owen counties.

The charges against Roberts are all misdemeanors. Originally appointed to that office by the governor in 2021, Roberts was elected to the position in November 2024. She is scheduled to be arraigned on Wednesday, Dec. 2.

MCCOY

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visible injuries, but complained of pain.

According to the citation, McCoy acknowledged that a verbal altercation occurred but denied trying to run the woman over, noting she would not allow him to leave and was holding onto his vehicle.

Kentucky State Police arrested McCoy and he was lodged in the Carroll County Detention Center in Carrollton before being released on $1,000 bond. He is scheduled to appear in court on Tuesday, Nov. 24 for his arraignment.

REZONING

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will be based on how the proposal fits within the county's comprehensive plan.

"This is an historic moment in planning and zoning," Ginn noted.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

• Sheriff Gregg Clifford presented a proposal to purchase a data collecting speed sign for use throughout the county. Clifford said the sign would be placed at various locations in the county where there have been speeding complaints, not only for safety and educational purposes, but to collect data on traffic trends that can then be reported to the court. The trends identified will allow the sheriff's department to assign deputies in problem areas to help address the speeding.

• A resolution was approved designating Nov. 16 as Brynlee Callis Day in recognition of the local 7th grader who was recently named a division winner in the Kentucky Association of Counties' "I Love My County" statewide art contest.

• Solid Waste Director Michaela Birnbaum reminded county residents that $10,000 in grant money remains in the county's road clean-up fund. Groups who wish to raise funds for their organization can contact her to schedule a time and road to pick up. Compensation is $100 per mile available to fundraising groups for cleaning of both sides of the roadway.

• Local residents are invited to a countywide Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Bedford Elementary School. All Trimble County residents are invited to join in a time of fellowship and gratitude.

The next meeting of Trimble Fiscal Court meeting is 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 7.



Cindy Warrick

Trimble County Judge-Executive John Ogburn with seventh grader Brynlee Callis, winner of the Kentucky Association of Counties' statewide "I Love My County" art contest. Callis described her entry as: "My painting is made from water color. This painting is inspired by my mom's paintings from when she was in school. It shows a snowy day with a red church and a tree. This represents Trimble County because there are many churches in Trimble County. Trimble County is meaningful to me because it's my home, peaceful, and I love the animals and our small town."

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