

OBITUARY

Rosetta 'Rose' Atchison, 83

Brunswick, Ga
Rosetta 'Rose' Atchison, age 83, of Brunswick, passed away Aug. 2, 2026, at Pruitt Health & Rehabilitation in Brunswick, Ga.

Services to celebrate Rose's life will be held Saturday, Aug. 29, 2026, 11 a.m., at La Grange Baptist Church, 1139 Commerce Parkway in La Grange, Ky. There will be a visitation for family and friends, one hour prior to service time.

Rose was born Oct. 17, 1942, in Pine Knot, Ky. to Emma Kelly Maddux. She had lived in La Grange, Ky. all her life, with her adoptive parents George Thomas and Mary Bell Curtis, until moving to Brunswick in 2021. Rose retired from Clayton & Lambert Steel Manufacturing, and La Grange Water Company. Rose was a devout Christian, a member of Dehaven Baptist Church, then La Grange Baptist Church of La Grange Ky. Rose was a member of the Ladies Sunday School Class and served on the Coffee Club Committee at La Grange Baptist Church. She was a member of the Oldham County Homemakers' Association, enjoyed crafting, quilting and spoiling her grandchildren.

Rose is survived by her son, Tom McDonald (Jonetta) of Brunswick, Ga.; a daughter-in-law, Amiee McDonald of Louisville,



Ky.; stepsons, Rick Atchison (Carol) of Jeffersonville Ind. and Robert Atchison (Yuli) of Prospect, Ky.; a brother, Robert E. Maddox (Mary) of Huntsville, Texas; and grandchildren, Saranne Blayne McDonald, Madison Rose McDonald, Kyle Atchison, and Kristopher Atchison.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Richard T. Atchison; a son, Troy Milton McDonald; brothers, John Maddux, Sr., Paul E. Maddux, Edward Maddux and George Alan Jackson; a sister, Betty Snowdan; and several nieces and nephews.

Special thank you to Katrina Chapman, Amanda Dooley, Pam Herndon, the nurses and staff of Pruitt Health and Rehabilitation Services and Pruitt Hospice.

Chapman Funeral Chapel & Crematory of Brunswick, Ga. have been entrusted with the arrangements.

CORRECTION

In the article titled "Jailer Tindall speaks to ICE detainee concerns" in the Aug. 13 edition of the Era, the final paragraph read:

"As of July 23, the jail's reported population is 244. Federal inmates fill 153 of those beds."

Though that data was taken from the Kentucky

Department of Corrections website, Jailer Jeff Tindall has since corrected the data. The paragraph should have read:

"As of Aug. 13, the jail's reported population is 387. ICE detainees fill 148 of those beds."

Visit oldhamera.com to see a fully corrected version.

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the juvenile had been hired to be a babysitter for Bertucci's children, which he said began a number of months prior to the incident but not quite a year.

When later asking for the juvenile's phone to verify the attempted forms of contact, the juvenile's mother said the phone had been "practically factory-reset," with all of the data erased — a measure the mother took after talking to a medical professional to try to help the juvenile process the incident.

Lane said that he later sought a search warrant for Bertucci's phone, after receiving records from juvenile's phone service provider, to verify the attempted contact and because "it's very common in cases in this type of nature that people have contact on the phone, especially ... younger people ..."

He also explained that, when sending a phone to be downloaded for an investigation, it is not possible to only download portions of the data.

In explaining their motion to suppress, defense attorney Michael R. Mazzoli claimed that the search was without proper probable cause and too broad, thus unconstitutional.

Mazzoli stated that Lane knew from interviews with the juvenile that Bertucci did not respond to the text message, did not answer the phone call and that no voicemail recorded, and thus there were little to no connection between the alleged crime and Ber-

tucci's phone.

As for the search being too broad, Mazzoli argued that though the download cannot be selective, the investigation into the data from the download can be — and should have been limited to the night of the message and phone call.

Mazzoli also referred to a Kentucky Supreme Court case where it was deemed "a phone actually hold more than a person's home," Mazzoli said. "We need to treat these searches every bit as strictly as we would treat the search of a home," he later continued.

As to what the defense wanted to suppress, they stated some of the data was "undated web searches," specifically to "adult websites" that the prosecution privately told the defense they planned to present at trial.

After hearing an opposing argument from the prosecution, Vice Chief Regional Circuit Judge Jerry D. Crosby II said that, according to a Kentucky Court of Appeals case from 2018, "so long as the officers are searching filed which could reasonably have contained evidence related to the crime on which the search warrant was based, they are not exceeding the bounds of the search warrant."

The defense filed an additional motion one day after the denial, requesting that the court require the prosecution to disclose any evidence that it intends to introduce at trial. Neither a response or a deciding order has yet to be filed.

Bertucci is next scheduled to appear in court on Nov. 5 at 1 p.m.

Look for updates in future editions of the Era.



Photo courtesy of Crestwood Christian Academy

Crestwood Baptist Church began its kindergarten school, Crestwood Christian Academy, last week using Sunday School rooms already set up in the church.

Crestwood Baptist starts private Christian academy

BY BOBBIE CURD
CORRESPONDENT

Wednesday marked the first day of the new private Crestwood Christian Academy, offered by Crestwood Baptist Church. The Monday before, school director and Family Pastor Steve Self and Jane Hart, assistant director, took some time out of their busy schedule to explain how the new school came about.

"Yes, we do start the day after tomorrow ..." Hart said, referring to the first day of school for a brand-new class of kindergartners. The academy is starting out with a group of 15 students.

Hart was hired to help Self set up the school, an idea first discussed by a senior pastor back in 2023. Self said after some exploratory research was done on exactly what it would take to run a school, the church decided to move forward with the idea in '25. A school board was formed which met for well over a year.

"And then our church has been very gracious to help us ..." Self said, with an offering taken during Christmas that was donated for the school. The word was put out about registrations being taken, a kindergarten teacher and aid were hired as well as an enrichment teacher.

"And we hired Ms. Jane in February — she's been a blessing ..."

Hart is a church congregant but also has a long background in education. She retired as an assistant principal in Jefferson County and has 40 years experience in public schools between Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois.

Self said, "We hope to add a grade this year. Our foundation, our vision, our purpose is to provide a Christian education that would be through the lens of God's word, Biblically."

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Photos courtesy of Crestwood Christian Academy

Family Pastor Steve Self, with Crestwood Baptist Church, is the school director for the new Christian academy while Jane Hart is assistant director of Crestwood Christian Academy.

wanted to offer already set, Self said they looked to Hart, who did research on the curriculum, and who to hire.

"When the church was putting out that they were going to start a school, who's interested in helping — I felt that tug to start praying about it ..." Hart said. She said the more she prayed, the more she knew she had to go talk to the pastors about it.

"And that was the best hire, she's amazing," Self said.

But Hart said it was an undertaking, and one that required a team. Counting themselves, the school has five staff members.

"The school board helped with the curriculum. They had done some research into it, and I used that information, along with researching other curriculums others had recommended to me ..." Hart said. "It was basically a prayerful process — making sure it all connected to our goal of a Christian worldview."

Other than promoting the school at local events, they plan on offering tours later this year to interested families.

Although things felt busy, Self and Hart said they weren't necessarily nervous about the first day.

"Oh, we've already gone over it and over it. We had a back-to-school night last night, and all the parents and kids got to meet, interact with each other ..." Hart said. "We went over some things that they should expect, and how to drop them off, to bring their lunches ..."

Self said students will go to class in rooms used for Sunday School, as well as have a gymnasium for physical education and an outdoor playground. "There's a cafeteria area in the fellowship hall, so having all this space already was great to not have that extra cost."

Hart said the Christmas offering was like "seed money, you could say. We do charge — all our parents pay tuition ..." at \$7,000 a year, plus a \$300 processing fee.

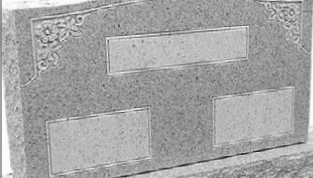
"For this year, that's their only expense ... Because of the gracious donations, we've covered all of the supplies they'll need. The only thing we ask is that they have a backpack and lunchbox."

As far as how the academy plans to continue getting funding, Hart said there are possibilities for state grants.

"But if you get help from the state, the state will also tell you how they want things run. So most will not go that route. There are some things out there, hopefully, that's coming down the pipe that will remove that part of it," she said. "We looked at that and think it may come out in January, where people who donate will get up to \$1,500 tax credit of whatever they donate, so that doesn't technically go through the government."

When Gov. Andy Beshear's veto of House Bill 1 was overridden earlier this year, the law meant Kentucky could offer a federal tax-credit scholarship program — to go into effect in January of '27. The move had been rejected by nearly 65% of voters back in 2024 as an amendment to allow public tax dollars to be used for tuition to private, charter or parochial schools.

To find out more about the church or its academy, visit crestwoodbaptist.org.



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