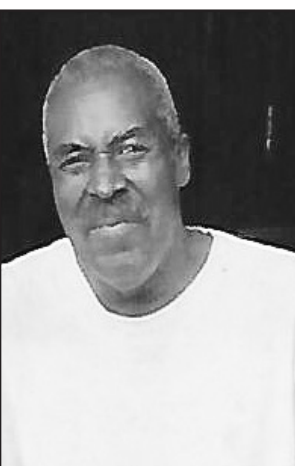


Deaths And Funerals

Bruce Jackson

Bruce Jackson, 70, of Morganfield died at his home on Friday, May 29.

He was born in 1956



in Henderson, Kentucky and live a life defined by kindness and integrity.

He was known for his steady presence, strong work ethic, generosity, and showing up for those he loved. He was a devoted father.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Virginia Jones and three sisters, Roberta Edgeron, Shenita Posey, and Carolyn Walker.

He is survived by a daughter, Lauren Powell and son-in-law,

Patrick Powell; seven grandchildren; a brother, Ray Jones of Louisville, Kentucky; a sister, Conchita Posey of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and David Barron, who he considered a son.

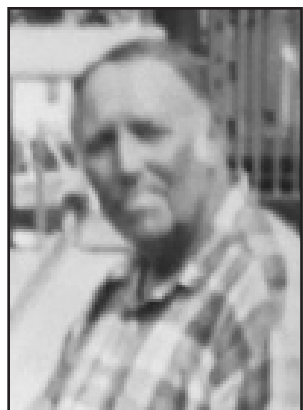
Funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. today (Wednesday, June 3) at Whitsell Funeral Home in Morganfield. Bro. William Alvey will officiate.

Burial will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery in Morganfield.

Billy Owens

Billy "Pete" Owens, 68, died on Wednesday, May 20 at Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Newburgh, Indiana.

He was born Febru-



ary 11, 1958 to the late John Lewis and Lottie Mae Owens.

Billy was a member of Christian Life Center Church in Henderson, Kentucky. He enjoyed riding his bicycle, listening to gospel music, and watching Clint Eastwood show.

He was very skilled at working on small engines and electronic devices.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by sisters, Mary John Fritts, Minnie Taylor, and Georgie Mae; his wife, Nancy Kay Owens; and a niece.

He is survived by a sister, Linda Daniels of Henderson; two brothers, Robert "Bobby" Owens of Tilden, Kentucky and Darrell Lee Owens of Henderson; a niece; and six nephews.

Graveside services were held on Friday, May 29 at Old Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Belinda Bolds

Belinda Bolds, 75, of Waverly died on Saturday, May 23 at her home.

She was born on



November 6, 1950 in Uniontown to the late John "Boob" Hagan and Eura Lee Hagan.

She was a life-long member of St. Agnes Catholic Church. She enjoyed hunting, fishing, and reading and was a fan of the UK Wildcats and St. Louis Cardinals.

Belinda found happiness in being with her family.

She is survived by her husband, R. C. Bolds of Waverly; a daughter, Tammy (Ja-

son) Dance of Henderson, Kentucky; a son, John (Kristin) Crouch of Houston, Texas; a step-daughter, Brandi (Michael) Tappero of Davenport, Iowa; a brother, (Tony) Judy Hagan of Uniontown; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A graveside service and burial was held on Thursday, May 28 at St. Agnes Catholic Church Cemetery in Uniontown.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Anthony's Hospice, 2410 South Green Street, Henderson, KY 42420.

Juanita Vaughn

Juanita Vaughn, 99, of Sturgis died on Monday, May 25 at Breckinridge Place in Morganfield.

She was born Oc-



tober 10, 1926 to the late Tom Louis and Ola Johnson.

At the time of her passing, Juanita was the oldest living member of Sturgis First Baptist Church. She was active in Sunday School and woman's organization at the church.

Juanita was an avid basketball fan and enjoyed playing cards with friends.

She loved her family and enjoyed her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Welborn Vaughn, a son, Keith Vaughn, and a brother, Wayne Johnson.

She is survived by her son, Kevin Vaughn and wife, Teresa of Sturgis; two grandsons; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral service was held on Saturday, May 30 at First Baptist in Sturgis with the Rev. John East officiating.

Burial was in Pythian Ridge Cemetery in Sturgis.

Memorial contributions can be made to "The Food Pantry" at Sturgis First Baptist Church, 802 North Adams Street, Sturgis, KY 42459.

Retired Teachers Meet On June 9

The Union County Retired Teachers' Association will meet Tuesday, June 9, at 11:00 at the Morganfield Christian Church.

Lunch will be provided.

All Union County retired teachers are invited to attend.

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Between You and Me x 2

By Monty Carter

"Your own path you make with every step you take. That's why it's your path."

-Joseph Campbell

Joseph Campbell was an American writer and scholar. He wrote and taught about mythology and comparative religion. Campbell was a master storyteller. He was a genius in parsing the truth and mystery of myth and legend. His hallmark book, "The Hero With A Thousand Faces," explores the importance of taking our own path instead of bending to cultural expectations. Campbell would have loved the phrase, "You, be you!"

Think of it this way. John comes from a long line of lawyers and judges. From birth, it is expected that he will attend a "proper" law school, graduate with honors, and spend a lifetime in the legal profession. This inherited expectation guides his formative years. In this case, it is only logical that he will follow generations (his father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncles, and brothers) and devote his life to the law. But what if John is more passionate about painting or the piano? What if his heart beats to a different tune? What if he is academically suited for law, but is more gifted tickling the ivories of a Steinway?

Imagine the internal and external expectations (both perceived and real) he faces regarding becoming a lawyer, judge, or politician. Would you want to be the first member of your family to break the family legacy? Every day, people make decisions based on societal or cultural expectations. They bow to the pressure and retard their innate calling just to satisfy others. Thomas Oppong cites a quote from Campbell in his book, "The Power of Myth," that puts flesh on these critical life decisions:

"You enter the forest at the darkest point, where there is no path. Where there is a way or path, it is someone else's path. You are not on your own path. If you follow someone else's way, you are not going to realize your potential..."

I believe God gifts and creates us individually. Indeed, we are, "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Ps. 139:14). "Before

I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you;" (Jer. 1:5a). "Everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." (Isa. 43:7)

I do not believe God has a human factory that produces people who think, act, speak, and feel the same. What a boring cyborg of a life that would be. Think about human fingerprints. No one else in the world has the same fingerprint as you and me! God obviously loves diversity. I love my family. We share certain traits, but we are all different personalities. We aren't a group of robots who think, feel, and act the same. Think about the difference in the Disciples. Simon Peter and John were opposites, yet they shared a common passion for Jesus.

Your path (purpose) may be different from your parents' or siblings'. It may be different from the one a favorite teacher or coach wanted you to take. Each of us has to carve our own. It never serves any good to take the path someone else has conceived for us. Even with the best of intentions, it won't be true. Jesus with skin on took a single path. It wasn't the one his followers expected. They were thinking of an earthly kingdom ruled by the Messiah. Jesus' path was fixed on the eternal. He passed up every opportunity to be an earthly king and restore the old Jewish kingdom. He was blazing a new trail that required the utmost sacrifice. His path took him to the most despised and marginalized people, like tax collectors, a woman knee

deep in sin at a well, the blind and disabled, and those held captive by demons. When he was judged for going to the house of Zacchaeus, he told his critics he was on the right path: "For the Son of Man came to seek and save the lost." (Luke 19:10)

Aren't you glad the body of Christ is comprised of such a diverse collection of ragamuffins like you and me? We all take different paths in life, but the destination is the same: to follow Christ and glorify God. Be careful, as many have sincerely chosen a path only to veer down one of pride, arrogance, and self-adulation. As Christians, we choose our path, but we know we are not the guide. This is the difference between those who follow Christ and those who don't. We have an eternal guide who has been there before us. He has walked where we walk. One who shows us the way and lets us know when we are getting sidetracked by sin and disobedience.

Don't be fooled. The path with God can get dark. It is not for the timid. Many people of enormous faith throughout time have experienced it. The Bible is full of their inspirational journeys. We would do well to learn from their fears, mistakes, and sins. However, every single one of them knew they weren't alone. They ultimately trusted our guide, almighty God. The Apostle Paul reminds us of the eternal power from which we draw on the journey: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Phil. 4:13)

Beloved, you be you, in Christ!

Agape, Monty

-- PUBLIC NOTICE --

The U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) is considering a request for Federal assistance from City of Sturgis to construct a Groundwater Treatment Plant and Water System Improvements in Sturgis, Union County, Kentucky. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), EDA is conducting an assessment of the potential of the proposed project to affect the environment and/or historic properties. Notice is hereby given that the project is proposed to be located in, or may affect, a floodplain and/or wetland as defined by Executive Order (EO) 11988 and/or EO 11990.

The project includes a new groundwater source water treatment plant, a new raw water and finish water transmission main, water line extensions and a booster pump station. The project will be located at the existing water treatment plant at 953 Cemetery Road, Sturgis, KY. Project information is available for review at City of Sturgis City Hall, 106 6th Street, Sturgis, Kentucky 42459, telephone number 270-333-2166.

If you have any information regarding potential impacts to historic properties or environmental resources including wetlands or floodplains associated with this proposed project, please provide any comments by email to ATR0-REO@eda.gov.

Comments received by 5:00 pm eastern on July 10, 2026 will be considered. A copy of the NEPA/NHPA decisional document will be available upon request at the EDA Atlanta Regional Office.

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