

Deaths And Funerals

Chad Garrett

Chad Davis “Peanut” Garrett, 51, of Clay, formerly of Sturgis died on Friday, August 14 at Lucy Smith



King Care Center in Henderson, Kentucky.

He was born January 6, 1974 to the late Jerald “Peanuts” and Judy Garrett in Morganfield.

He was a member of Grangertown Baptist Church was a loving father, brother, and son. He loved his family and enjoyed basketball and rodeos. He was an avid UK fan and like hunting ducks, turkey, and deer.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Keith Allen Garrett.

He is survived by a daughter, Rheagan Elder of Morganfield; a son, Cain Davis of Sturgis; a brother, Jerry Garrett and wife, Sara of Sturgis; a sister, Kim Myatt and husband, Kevin of Marion, Kentucky; and nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, August 30, 3:00 P.M. at Grangertown Baptist Church in Sturgis. Bro. Jeff Paris will officiate.

Visitation will be 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the church.

Burial will be in Grangertown Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Chad Garrett Memorial Fund at Whitsell Funeral Home.

Marilyn Miller

Marilyn Polley Miller, 79, of Henderson, Kentucky died on Sunday, August 16 at Morganfield Nursing and Rehab Center.



She was born on January 27, 1947 to the late Edith Lucille Polley and Earl Edward Polley.

She was a devoted homemaker and cherished her loved ones. She enjoyed the every day pleasures of driving and coloring. She was of the Catholic faith.

She is survived by a daughter, Kim Peckinpugh and fiancé, Jeff Thompson of Henderson; a son, John Miller of Poseyville, Indiana; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life honoring Marilyn will be held at Morganfield Christian Church at a later date.

Edna Messamore

Edna Messamore, 76, died on Thursday, August 13 at her home.

She was born January 15, 1950 to Theodore “Junior” and Mary Ruth Payne in Sturgis.

Edna enjoyed car show and was a bookkeeper at Bickett Equipment Company. She also worked as a clerk at the City of Uniontown.

Edna was president of the Uniontown Jaycettes, as well as a longtime member of the Ladies Auxiliary 5488 in Uniontown. She was involved in many church affiliated organizations.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Bruce Williams; her husband of 37 years, Danny Messamore; and her step-father, Alvin Williams.

She is survived by a brother (Stanley (Mary) Payne of Uniontown; a nephew; and a great-

niece and great-nephew.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, August 18 at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Uniontown with Fr. Bruce McCarty officiating.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Agnes Catholic Church.

Joyce Higgs

Joyce Higgs, 83, of Henderson, Kentucky died on Thursday, August 13 at Redbanks



Nursing Home in Henderson.

She was born April 23, 1943 in Uniontown to Clarence and Vera Rakestraw.

Joyce was an avid reader and especially enjoyed reading the Bible. She was a homemaker and loved her family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years,

Jerry Higgs; a son, David Higgs; two sisters, Lorene Westerman and Jean Shockley; and two brothers, Buddy Rakestraw and Parvin Rakestraw.

She is survived by her son, Wayne Higgs and wife, Sherry of Henderson; a brother, Tommy Rakestraw of Frankfort, Kentucky; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held on Monday, August 17 at Whitsell Funeral Home in Morganfield. The Rev. David Mabrey officiated.

Burial was in Odd Fellows Cemetery in Morganfield.

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

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HITE-CROOKS VFW Post 5488 Commander Sam Householder, right, presented a scholarship check to Sarah E. Jones. Ms. Jones will be attending Western Kentucky University to pursue a degree in Biochemistry on the pre-dental track. She is the daughter of Rowan Jones and Dr. Laura Hancock.

Between You and Me x 2

By Monty Carter

In Due Season

In my early years of pastoral ministry, I was impatient. I saw so many things that needed to be changed if the church was to grow and make an impact upon the community. Upon reflection, I see how my lack of patience created conflict, questions, and even doubt among some tenured church members. Oh, I made so many mistakes. And yet, my motives were sincere and driven by faith. We can be rightly motivated to bring about meaningful change and still be wrong about the timing.

Timing is important in organizational culture. As a leader, you can’t assume a great plan will take off like a rocket. You have to spend time cultivating relationships, earning trust, demonstrating competency, getting feedback and “buy-in” from stakeholders. The road of leadership (whether church or business) is littered with people who had great ideas and intentions but rushed the implementation, or tried to run roughshod over these important steps. You don’t pick fruit until it’s ripe.

The apostle James knew the value of patience. In his New Testament letter to new Jewish Christians, he counseled the importance of waiting. These people were facing persecution and even suffering for their newfound faith in Christ. James writes to encourage them:

“Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord’s coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm because the Lord’s coming is near.” (James 5:7-8 NLT)

The Swiss-born, French philosopher Rousseau said, “Patience is bitter, but its fruit is sweet.” Rousseau influenced the leaders of the French Revolution. He extolled the reward of patience but acknowledged it is born of struggle and even pain. This is the

message James had for the Jewish converts to Christianity in his letter. He knew the ultimate reward of faith in Christ would come in due season, but he wanted them to know there would be discomfort and challenges. And yet, he believed the harvest was worth the wait.

We are on the brink of another college football season. Everyone is wondering how their team will do and talking about the pre-season rankings. Coaches are still learning to navigate NIL and the transfer portal. 34 new head coaches will be judged on their first season. In this day and age of big-money college athletics, boosters and fans see no room for losses. Coaches feel the pressure to produce immediate results. And yet, a few of them will be patient. They will focus on installing their system, getting players and coaches to buy in, and tracking progress that can’t be seen in the win/loss column. They patiently wait and focus on developing their team. While everyone is shouting for a Natty, they are focusing on the next game. This requires a lot of discipline and patience. Too many will settle for unripened low-hanging fruit.

Have you ever eaten an apple or tomato that wasn’t ripe or ready? They aren’t very good. I marvel at the patience of farmers and gardeners. However, they aren’t playing bingo as they wait for harvest. They are busy watering, weeding, fertilizing, and caring for the crop with anticipation. Patience is learned and cultivated. We don’t enter the world with patience. Are you in a season of waiting? If so, let me encourage you to wait, watch, and pray. Stay busy with the things of God. He hasn’t left you hanging. He knows if you are in a difficult place. Trust Him. Stand firm in that trust, be patient, and be ready.

Agape,
Monty

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BID

The City of Uniontown will be accepting bids for the resurfacing of some city streets. Contractors must be certified by the commonwealth for the duration of contract.

Bids will be accepted August 12th through August 21st, 2026 at Uniontown City Hall during normal business hours, Monday - Friday 8 a.m to 4 p.m. Bids will be opened on Monday, August 24th @ 6:00 p.m.

A full list and description of streets to be resurfaced is available by contacting City Hall @ 270-822-4277 or emailing ladonna.tapp@unioncountky.gov.

City has the right to reject any and all bids. 8/19c

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID

Union County Water District is accepting sealed bids until **Monday, August 31 at 4:00 P.M.** for the following:
2026-2027 New Full Sized Work Truck
Crew Cab (4-Door)
Half Ton
Automatic Transmission
4-Wheel Drive
Cruise Control
Power Windows and Locks
Color: White

For questions regarding specifications, please contact Gary Sheffer at (270) 389-3868 or by e-mail at ucwdgarysheffer@yahoo.com.

Sealed bids may be dropped at
409 North Court Street
Morganfield, KY 42437

Or mailed to:
Union County Water District
c/o Sealed Bid
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