

Area Deaths

Beverly Gail Dunn

Beverly Gail Dunn, 64, of Campton, Kentucky, departed this life Wednesday, June 3, 2026. She was a daughter of the late William Virgil Proffitt and Ivory Lucille Patton Proffitt, born at Proffitt Fork, Wolfe County, Kentucky, on October 17, 1961. She was a factory worker and worked in food preparation. She was also a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister.

She is survived by two sons, Jason Dunn (Carla) and Jacob Dunn (Jessica Hollon), both of Campton, Kentucky; four grandchildren, Sierra Dunn, Danica Campbell, Austin Gray and Kevin Tipton; eight great-grandchildren; two sisters, Rita Proffitt (Joe) and Naomi Halcomb (Dewight), both of Campton, Kentucky; nephew, William Michael Halcomb (Rebecca); niece, Ivory Dunn (Zack); great niece, Kylee Halcomb, and special cousins, Sherry and Lowell Adkins. She also leaves a host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Virgil Proffitt and Ivory Lucille Pat-



ton Proffitt, and one brother, Charles Tolson.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Porter and Son Funeral Directors Chapel with Pastor Kirby Hinds officiating. Burial followed in the Patton Cemetery, Baptist, Kentucky.

Pallbearers were Jason Dunn, Jacob Dunn, Austin Gray, Kevin Tipton, Lowell Adkins and Johnny Dunn.

Porter & Son Funeral Directors of Campton, Kentucky, were in charge of arrangements.

Glenda Jo McFarland

Glenda Jo McFarland, 59, of Salyersville, Kentucky, beloved wife of James "Jamie" McFarland, departed this life Thursday, June 4, 2026. She was a daughter of the late Denver Campbell and Bertha Lou King Spencer, born in Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio, on March 9, 1967. She was saved and baptized at Salyersville Freewill Baptist Church and a member of Right Middle Fork United Baptist Church. She was a former correctional officer and homemaker. She was also a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister.

She is survived by her loving husband, James "Jamie" McFarland of Salyersville, Kentucky; three sons, Charlie Brand (Kassy) of Campton, Kentucky, Eddie McFarland of Salyersville, Kentucky, and Brandon McFarland of Van Lear, Kentucky; two daughters, Cassie Peak (Michael) of Stanton, Kentucky, and Samantha "Sammy Jo" King (Austin) of Lexington, Kentucky; nine grandchildren, Kyle Sallie, Jackson Banks, Kayden Banks, Alivia Peak, Nolan Peak, Kalliope Peak, Raylen Brand, Addaline Brand and Hannah McFarland; two brothers, Gregory Creech (Teresa) of Campton, Kentucky, and Danny Campbell of Lexington,



Kentucky, and one sister, Debra Price of Ohio. She also leaves behind a host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Denver Campbell and Bertha Lou King Spencer; one brother, Thomas Campbell, and one sister, Denise Campbell.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, June 8, 2026, at Porter & Son Funeral Directors Chapel with Rev. David Spencer officiating. Burial followed in the McFarland Cemetery, Salyersville, Kentucky.

Pallbearers were Michael Peak, Austin King, Charlie Brand, Kyle Sallie, Jackson Banks, Tony Creech, Nolan Peak and Jarod Salyer.

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Social Security Matters

By Russell Gloor, National Social Security Advisor at the AMAC Foundation, the non-profit arm of the Association of Mature American Citizens

Why Don't We Have A Minimum Social Security?

Ask Rusty

Dear Rusty: I think we should have a Social Security baseline of \$2,500 for each person. When I retire, my Social Security benefit will not be enough to survive. There are many of us who worked low paying jobs all our lives because we raised families and only started saving later in life. Considering all the money our government wastes on other countries and welfare programs for people who have not worked, it seems unfair that they will not reward those of us who contributed to society all our lives. Signed: Needs More Social Security.

Dear Needs More: For information, the concept of a "minimum" Social Security benefit is not new and, indeed, already exists - but it is one which few beneficiaries qualify for. The so-called "special minimum benefit" was meant to lift low-earning workers above the poverty line, but less than 32,000 SS beneficiaries (out of about 59 million retirees) currently qualify. That's because Social Security's benefit formula turns out to be more generous because it is based on lifetime earnings (wages), while the "special minimum benefit" program is based on consumer prices. That causes the SS benefit formula to provide a higher SS benefit than is provided by the "special minimum benefit" option. In other words, people get a higher benefit because their SS benefit is based upon their actual lifetime earnings vs. an artificially created special minimum benefit. In short, the existing SS benefit formula usually provides more than the established "special minimum benefit."

The SS benefit program is based on each person's average monthly income over their lifetime. However, it is very important to understand that the program is also designed to provide a higher monthly benefit to those with a lower lifetime income. Thus, the percentage of "replacement income" for those with lower lifetime earnings is more than it is for those with higher lifetime earnings. Typically, a lower-lifetime income person will get about 40% of their average pre-retirement monthly income as their Social Security benefit, whereas a higher-income per-

son will get about 20% or less of their pre-retirement monthly average income. In this way, Social Security is already a "progressive" program. But it's important to understand also that Social Security, from its beginning, was never meant to provide 100% of a person's income needs in retirement. Thus, each beneficiary should plan to supplement their retirement income in other ways (such as retirement savings, investment income, working longer, working part-time, etc.).

Having said that, it is also important to know that Social Security is a completely self-sustaining program and not dependent on general public funding, which would make it more susceptible to political shenanigans (imagine giving re-election seeking politicians easy access to Social Security's separately held resources). While it is certainly true that the government spends freely on "welfare programs" for those who have not worked, Social Security is not a program which is dependent on government largesse. Rather, it is a benefit which is earned by working and contributing to the program, which provides retirement benefits based upon each person's average lifetime work income.

If you expect financial difficulties when you retire, I encourage you to visit this website sponsored by the National Council on Aging (www.benefitscheckup.org). Here you can enter your zip code and find many public programs which you might be eligible for where you live, including assistance with healthcare costs, housing, utilities, etc.

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So Be It . . .
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UNCONDITIONAL LOVE

God's love for humanity is unconditional, sacrificial, and everlasting, demonstrated supremely through the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ. Thank God for His unconditional love!

The Bible describes God's love as unchanging and steadfast, meaning it does not depend on our actions, merits, or circumstances. It is all-encompassing, extending to every person regardless of past mistakes or current struggles, and it is sacrificial, exemplified by the giving of His only Son for our salvation (John 3:16). That gives you hope!

This love is not merely emotional but active, seeking the well-being and eternal life of humanity. We serve a God that is alive! John 3:16 emphasizes the magnitude of God's love: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting (eternal) life." Romans 5:8 highlights its unconditional nature: "But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Praise God for this wonderful love. 1 John 4:9-10 shows God's love as proactive and life-giving: "This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His only Son into the world that we might live through Him." Jeremiah 31:3 affirms its eternal quality: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unflin-

kindness." Romans 8:39 assures believers that nothing can separate us from God's love: "Neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

God's love provides comfort, hope, and strength, especially during trials or feelings of inadequacy. It encourages believers to trust in His grace, embrace their worth, and extend love to others. This love is ever-present, guiding, protecting, and sustaining us through every circumstance (Psalm 136:26). Oh, what unconditional love the Father has for us!

The Bible portrays God's love as limitless, unconditional, and eternal, demonstrated supremely through Jesus Christ, and available to all who believe, offering both spiritual assurance and transformative power in daily life. Now this is a life worth living! Jesus will set you free from sin, bondages, fears and worries if you will just turn your life over to Him. He knows you better than yourself! He created you. AMEN! SO BE IT (6.10.26)

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June 2026 Menu				
Wolfe County Senior Citizens Center				
June 2026				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
08 Oven Fried Chicken Breast Banana WGrain White Roll Collard Greens Au Gratin Potatoes 1% Milk	09 Baked Spaghetti Red Grapes 1% Milk House Salad- no cheese Dressing Fren Crmy 12g IW Garlic Breadstick MTG Broccoli & Cauliflower	10 Roast Turkey Baked Potato WGrain White Roll Margarine Sour Cream Herb Glazed Carrots 1% Milk Diced Pears	11 Orange Glazed Chicken Fried Rice Vegetable Egg Roll 1% Milk Stir Fry Vegetable Blend Fresh Orange	12 Cheese Burger Deluxe Red Fat/Red Cal Brocc Raisin Salad Roasted Potatoes & Carrots Gelatin Cup SF Orng/Strawb 3.25Z 1% Milk
15 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes 1% Milk Clementine Mandarin Frsh Green Peas WGrain White Roll Margarine	16 Herbed Pork Loin Lima Beans Sweet Potatoes WGrain White Roll Margarine 1% Milk Diced Pears	17 Salisbury Steak MTG Parmesan Noodles Creamed Spinach 1% Milk Whole Grain Dinner Roll Brownies Margarine	18 Chicken Strips MTG 1% Milk Herb Glazed Carrots Au Gratin Potatoes Apple Cinnamon Roll Cobbler	19 Closed - Juneteenth