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RANSDELL CHAPEL

'50s

**SHIRLYE A. PRICE (a'52)**



Shirlye Anne Johnson Price, daughter of the late Earl Reide and Frances Elizabeth Rose Johnson, went to be with her Lord on Saturday, July 11, 2020. She was born May 29, 1933 in Louisville, Kentucky. Shirlye graduated in 1951 from Campbellsville High School and completed one year at Campbellsville College before moving to Hartford. She worked at Hartford Deposit Bank until marriage to her husband of 60 years, Dr. Charles Lee Price, on October 23, 1954. She then worked at Lincoln Bank and Trust in Louisville. Shirlye was a long-time member of Hartford Baptist Church and served two years as president of the Hartford Juniors Woman's Club. She was an active member of the Ohio County Hospital Auxiliary. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and, in later years, participated in the Ohio County Senior Choir. She is survived by her four children Pam (Keith) Koonce, Sandy Cuzzort, Brenda (Stuart) Perigo, and Chuck (Vanessa) Price. Shirlye was very proud of her 10 grandchildren: Steven Koonce, Adam Cuzzort, Brian Koonce, Laura Cuzzort Fulkerson, Reide Perigo, Derek Perigo, Matthew Cuzzort, Kyle Perigo, Kip Price, and Karis Price. She is also survived by eight great-grandchildren and her sister, Patricia (Don) Cox. Services will be 11:00 am Thursday, July 16, 2020 at Miller Schapmire Funeral Home. Burial to follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday, July 15, 2020 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm and again Thursday from 10:00 am until the time of service at the funeral home. All those who wish to honor and remember Mrs. Price in person at the visitation or service are encouraged to wear a mask while inside the funeral home for the safety of all those in attendance.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the The Gideons International Processing Center, P.O. Box 97251, Washington, DC 20090-7251. Miller-Schapmire Funeral Home is both honored and privileged to be entrusted with the care of Mrs. Price. Share your messages of condolence with the family of Shirlye Anne Johnson Price and sign her virtual by going to [www.millerschapmire.com](http://www.millerschapmire.com).

**NINA MALLORY (a'56)**



Nina Mallory, 84, Danville, KY, wife of Gene Mallory, died Saturday, August 22, 2020, at the Parkview Manor ALC, Danville. Born October 6, 1935, in Mercer County, she was the daughter of the late Eldred E. and Olive (Lester) Nichols. She was a retired teacher for the Boyle Co. School District, having attended Campbellsville College and receiving her Bachelor's Degree from the Univ. of Kentucky. Other survivors include: one daughter, Gina Mallory of Louisville, KY; two sons, Alan (Rita) Mallory of IN and Troy Mallory of Danville; one sister, Karen Hayner of NC; three brothers, Lynn (Ann) Nichols, Nolan (Lynda) Nichols, and Earl Kent (Linda) Nichols, all of Harrodsburg; four grandchildren, Sarah, T.J., Neccolus, and Adam (Katrina) Mallory; several nieces & nephews. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Mona Mallory.

Graveside services will be held 1 PM, Thurs., at the Spring Hill Cemetery Pavilion, Harrodsburg. Visitation will be 11 AM Thursday at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel, Harrodsburg.

### **SUE REYNOLDS RICE ('56)**



Sue Reynolds Rice passed away on May 8, 2020. She is preceded in death by her parents Hassell and Kathryn Reynolds. Sue is survived by her loving husband, C. Fred Rice and her children, Linda Rice, Cindy Rice Grissom (Greg) and Jerry Rice; grandchildren Sarah and Justin Grissom, Sada and Simon Rice; sisters Rita Satterly, Jolene Scott (Bill); brother Jay Reynolds (Alice) and other dear family members. She has had excellent care and the family wishes to thank her caregivers. A special thanks goes to Ivanka Pala who has been her close friend and right hand for running the household for over 20 years. Sue was born August 19, 1936 and raised in the historic

"H. P. Bottom House" on their family farm in Perryville, Kentucky. She graduated from Campbellsville College in 1956, then taught grade school students in Perryville and attended summer school at Eastern Kentucky University for two years before deciding to attend EKV full time to obtain her B.S. in Elementary Education and her Masters degree in Guidance and Counseling.

Sue and Fred have been best friends since that beautiful summer day when they met on Boonesborough Beach while students at Eastern Kentucky University. She and Fred married on August 13, 1958 while still in college. After graduation, in their early years of marriage, they both taught school, first in Boyle County and then in Henry County. Fred also coached basketball and Sue enthusiastically attended every game. Their passion for basketball continued throughout their lives. Sue loved her students and enjoyed teaching but retired in the early 60's to raise their three children, support Fred's growing insurance career and have the freedom to travel with him on their many business and pleasure trips.

Sue loved to travel with her husband, her children and later her grandchildren. They had great times at conferences (which always seemed to be held in beautiful resorts). She was always an active participant at the social events and group dinners and enjoyed making friends from all parts of the country (and sometimes stealing their wine glass at dinner if hers was empty!)

Sue had a great passion for music and especially loved live performances, whether it was watching a grandchild singing or playing the piano, attending a rock concert or recently her Hospice pastor playing the guitar and singing hymns. Sue loved attending shows and plays (her grandkids' performances, Actors Theatre and Broadway Series) attending sporting events (including little league, high school and college). She especially loved attending University of Louisville (and University of Kentucky) college football and basketball events and went to most every game she could. Even during her last stages of life, she did not want to miss a ballgame!

Sue enjoyed playing tennis and made friends of all ages (she was more of a social player than a competitive player). She loved to shop (adored a good bargain!) and collected interesting and artistic clothing, accessories and jewelry. She and Fred loved eating out and supported local restaurants but would gladly drive miles for a good meal (or piece of pie).

Sue and Fred live in Naples, FL (and have homes in Louisville, KY and St. Thomas, USVI) where she enjoyed spending time outdoors, hanging out by the pool, boating, walking on the beach and watching sunsets. Sue is a member of the First Baptist Church (Naples, FL), Broadway Baptist Church (Louisville, KY), Quail West Country Club and Louisville Women's Club. She formerly belonged to Quail Creek Country Club, Naples Yacht Club, St. Thomas Yacht Club and Hunting Creek Country Club. She was adored by her family and friends and will be greatly missed. There will be a private service due to the current pandemic. Arrangements under the direction of Pearson's. Memorial contributions may be made to Hosparus or Fund for the Arts.

### **LAWRENCE W. "SKIP" FORD ('58)**



Louisville - Lawrence Miles Ford, Jr. (Skip) died peacefully at home on August 21, 2020.

He was born on April 1, 1939 in Louisville where he lived his entire life. He was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence Miles Ford, Sr. and Dorothy Helen Langley Ford, and his childhood sweetheart, Ruth Ann "Ruthie" Brumley to whom he was married for 40 years.

Skip was a proud graduate of Campbellsville University, Class of 1958, and the University of Louisville with a B.A. in 1961. Skip's first career was teaching in the Bullitt County School System. He next began a 44-year career with Loevenhart's Clothing Store. At the age of 67, he

entered a CPE Unit for Chaplaincy training followed by service as a volunteer chaplain at the University of Louisville Hospital and as an Ombudsman.

After his wife Ruthie died in 1999, Skip met and married another great love, Diane. They were blessed with 14 years of love and happiness.

Skip's life was marked by deep and meaningful relationships. He was a member of St. Matthew's Baptist Church for 40 years, serving in many roles including Deacon Chair, young adult teacher, devotional writer, and a loyal friend to all. He participated in a Spiritual Formation Group for 25 years, along with five sacred companions who studied together weekly.

Skip lived out his calling to ministry through personal giving. His life was filled by forming relationships with countless people in the ministry of caregiver. He could always be counted on to give wise advice and spiritual encouragement. He was a true friend to many.

He is survived by his loving wife, Diane; his stepdaughters Jennifer Gibbs (Tim); and Amy Swindle (Patrick) and their daughters Alexandria and Cassandra Swindle. His sister, Linda Salmon (Bruce); his nephew, Marc Salmon (Stacey Grumet), his great-niece Ford Salmon; and his niece

Amy Salmon.

Skip loved his family, his friends, his professions, his church, and above all his Lord.

Thanks be to God!

A memorial service to celebrate Skip's life will be held virtually in the near future.

**'60s**

THOMAS R. BRUMLEY ('63)

Thomas R Brumley LEXINGTON - 81, of Lexington, KY died peacefully at home on 6-16-20. He was born near Taylorsville, Ky and was the youngest of 9 children. He is survived by his loving wife Helen Howard Hughes and a daughter Jessica Brumley (Melissa). Sisters Nadine Galusha and Sue Furgason (Lewis), brothers Roy Brumley Jr., Virgil Jenkins, Tom Jenkins (Dixie) and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by a daughter Kara Brumley, his parents Roy Brumley and Evelyn Jenkins (Irvin), sisters Thelma Schular (Louis), Jean McCartney (Jack), Ester Davenport (James) and Peggy Jenkins, a brother George Brumley (Ruth Ann).

He graduated from Campbellsville College and went on to have a successful career in Banking. He worked part-time at Taylor County Bank while attending college then went on to

become a Bank Examiner, he was Executive Vice President and President of American Bank in New Albany IN. He also served as Chairman, President and CEO of First State Bank in Greenville KY, he was President and CEO of Owensboro National Bank and President and CEO of Area Bancshares Corporation until his retirement.

### **ANNA J. HAYSE ('62)**



Anna Jane HAYSE, 91, of Clarkson, KY, passed away September 8, 2020, at RobinBrooke Senior Living in Elizabethtown, KY.

Jane was born on May 17, 1929, to Samuel E. and Bertha Pence Hayse. She followed in her parents' footsteps by becoming a teacher. After graduating from Campbellsville College with a teaching degree, Jane dedicated more than forty years of her life to teaching school at White Mills, KY.

A member of Clarkson and Leitchfield Baptist churches, Jane had a strong faith in God.

Jane spent the last five years of her life at RobinBrooke Senior Living where she made new friends and appreciated the caring staff.

Jane is preceded in death by her parents; three brothers: Samuel Gregory Hayse; Thomas Frank Hayse; and Joseph Robert Hayse; a sister, Mary Margaret Hayse; and nephews, Jimmy Hayse and Tommy Hayse.

Jane is survived by sisters-in-law, Fannie Hayse and Joyce Ann Hayse, and many beloved nephews and nieces and great-nephews and nieces.

### **THOMAS R. BRUMLEY ('63)**

Thomas R. Brumley, 81, of Lexington, died peacefully at home on June 16, 2020. He was born near Taylorsville and was the youngest of nine children. He is survived by his loving wife, Helen Howard Hughes; a daughter, Jessica Brumley (Melissa); sisters Nadine Galusha and Sue Furgason (Lewis); brothers Roy Brumley Jr., Virgil Jenkins and Tom Jenkins (Dixie); and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by a daughter, Kara Brumley; his parents, Roy Brumley and Evelyn Jenkins (Irvin); sisters Thelma Schular (Louis), Jean McCartney (Jack), Ester Davenport (James) and Peggy Jenkins; and a brother, George Brumley (Ruth Ann).

He graduated from Campbellsville College and went on to have a successful career in banking. He worked part-time at Taylor County Bank while attending college, then went on to become a bank examiner. He was executive vice president and president of American Bank in New Albany, Indiana. He also served as chairman, president and CEO of First State Bank in Greenville. He was president and CEO of Owensboro National Bank and president and CEO of Area Bancshares Corporation until his retirement.

**DR. ROY RICH ('67)**



Roy Eugene Rich, 86, of Elizabethtown, died Saturday, Feb. 15, 2020, at his home.

He was a native of Clay, served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and graduated from Campbellsville University with an honorary doctorate. He was an active member of Severns Valley Baptist Church and was owner of E'town Exterminating since 1976. Roy served on the Pest Control Advisory Board and was the past president of the Kentucky Pest Management Association where he served on the board of directors for more than 35 years. He was an avid UK fan.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Brenda Bennett Rich; a granddaughter, Chelsea Stillwell; his parents, Roy and Edna Rich; and two half siblings, George Ozee and Bertha Wood

He is survived by one son, Shawn (Karen) Rich of Elizabethtown; a daughter, Gina (Bryan) Stillwell of Indianapolis; four grandchildren, Sydney Stillwell, Madeline Rich, Abby Rich and Camden Rich; and two sisters, Brenda (John) Stull of Sebree and Donna (Anthony) Austin of Slaughters.

The funeral is at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb.19, at Severns Valley Baptist Church with the Rev. Joe Thomas and Dr. Billy Compton officiating. Burial follows in Hardin Memorial Park

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Brown Funeral Home in Elizabethtown and continues from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Severns Valley Baptist Church New Worship Center Building Fund.

Condolences may be expressed at [brownfuneral.com](http://brownfuneral.com).

To Plant Memorial Trees in memory, please visit our Sympathy Store.

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### **EDNA MINTON ('71)**



Edna M. Minton, age 88, of Somerset, KY, passed away on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at Somerwoods Nursing and Rehab.

Edna was born on September 21, 1931 in Mintonville, KY to the late W.P. (Perk) Minton and Viridia Pitman Minton. Edna was a graduate of Lindsey Wilson and Campbellsville College. She was a retired School Teacher. Edna was a faithful member of Carter Ridge Baptist Church as long as her health permitted.

She is survived by one sister, Norma Jean; her nephews, Vernon, Glen, Mike, Steve, Ronnie, Vic, Tim, Todd and Rod; and her nieces, Patsy, Beverly, Myrna, Celya, Donna and Judy.

Along with her parents, Perk and Viridia Minton, she was preceded in death by a son, Joe; one brother, Howard; six sisters, Priscilla, Irene, Helen, Roxie, Anna and Virginia; two nephews, Bobby Joe and James Ray; and a niece, Joann.

She will be greatly missed by her family and a host of friends.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 11:00am until 1:00pm at Lake Cumberland Funeral Home.

Her funeral service will follow on Saturday at 1:00pm at the Chapel of Lake Cumberland Funeral Home with Bro. Mark Yaden officiating. Burial will be at Carter Ridge Cemetery.

The family requests expressions of sympathy be made to Carter Ridge Baptist Church in her memory.

### **SAMUEL E. BROWN ('72)**



Mr. Samuel Earl Brown passed away on Friday, June 12, 2020 in Greensboro, NC. Graveside services will be 1:00 P.M. Friday at Greenview Cemetery, Reidsville, NC with Bishop Jamal Broadnax serving as Eulogist. Public viewing will be Thursday from 1:00-7:00 P.M. at McLaurin Funeral Home. You may connect to the virtual services via teleconference call by dialing 701-802-5263 and then access code 6545855#

On Friday, June 12, 2020, the Lord dispatched His angels to bring home His son, Samuel Earl Brown. Born on November 6, 1947 in Reidsville, North Carolina to the late W. T. Brown, Sr. and Gertrude Denny Brown, "Sam" as he was affectionately known, was a gentle giant, also known to be humble, faithful, loyal and kind-hearted. As a giving and devoted family member, Sam touched the lives of his family, as well as the lives of all who knew him.

The youngest of nine, he was raised in Zion Baptist Church and remained a faithful member. He was educated in the public schools of Rockingham County and graduated from the former Booker T. Washington High School in 1966. After graduation, Sam attended Rockingham Community College before transferring to Campbellsville College in Kentucky. There Sam earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Sciences and moved to New York City upon graduation. During his career, Sam held several positions in the fields of community relations and youth services. In 1972, his first job was as a personnel supervisor at Election Services and

that same year, he became a teacher at Bronx River High School in Bronx, NY. Two years later, he became a Vocational Evaluation Counselor at Manhattan Psychiatric Center in Wards Island, NY and was employed there until 1979. He later became a teacher for New York State Division of Youth in Bronx, NY.

After Sam's retirement and in keeping with Social Studies, his passion for traveling blossomed. He visited Thailand, Egypt, China, Japan, Alaska, and Africa (where he resided and held a business), to name a few. He was always ready to share his knowledge of the countries he visited and would always bring back pictures, statues, and souvenirs.

In addition to his parents, Sam was preceded in death by one brother, George Brown and one sister, Carolyn Ann Brown Booker.

He leaves to cherish precious memories: his sisters, Verdell Lane (Willie), of Reidsville, NC, Estelle Conner and Rebecca Brown Bossier, both of Greensboro, NC, and Gerdia Brown Keesee, of Reidsville, NC; his brothers, Rev. William T. Brown, Jr., of Greensboro, NC, Rev. James Brown, and Fletcher T. Brown, both of Reidsville, NC; nieces; nephews; aunts; uncles; cousins; and a host of other relatives and dear friends.

McLaurin Funeral Home is serving the family.

#### **SHEILA K. UNDERWOOD ('74)**



Sheila Kester Underwood, 68, of Stanford, KY passed away on Sunday, June 21, 2020. Born on June 15, 1952 in Aiken, SC to the late Robert Edward Kester and Dorothy Lou King Kester. She was a member of Stanford Baptist Church.

Sheila graduated from Boonville High School of Boonville, IN in 1970. She went on to receive her Bachelors Degree in Education from Campbellsville University in 1974 and her Master's Degree in Education from Eastern Kentucky University in 1976. She was a primary school teacher in Lincoln County Schools for 30 years, she spent 21 of those years at Kings Mountain Elementary. She was a Chairman of Lincoln County Junior Miss and Distinguished Young Women. She received the Campbellsville University Teaching in Excellence Award. In 2004, she was awarded, Volunteer of the Year by the Kentucky Junior Miss Program and in 2012, she was inducted in the Kentucky Junior Miss Hall of Fame. She was also given the Patriot Award from the Lincoln County Board of Education.

She is survived by her husband of 47 years, Stuart Underwood of Stanford, KY; two sister-in-laws, Judy Underwood and Betty Melloan; one nephew, Jon Melloan (Christy); one

niece, Amy Sandefur; grandnephews, Hanks Melloan and Justin Sandefur; and two grandnieces, Jordan Sandefur and Lillee Melloan. She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert Edward Kester and Dorothy Lou King Kester.

Visitation has been scheduled for Thursday, June 25, 2020 at Stanford Baptist Church from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral will be Friday, June 26, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Stanford Baptist Church with Dr. Greg Hancock and Bro. Justin Carter officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Cemetery in Perryville, Kentucky.

Pallbearers are Marvin Marshbanks, Randy Attkisson, Mike Stratton, Don Bartley, Philip Sebastian, Brett Curlis, Dr. George Munday and Dr. Matthew Marshbanks. Honorary bearers are Dr. Rod Bates, Cindy Bates, Rhonda Marshbanks, Pam Cox, Judy Hester, Sherry Attkisson, Evonna Marcum, Stanford Baptist Church Adult Choir, and the Lincoln County Distinguished Young Women Committee.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be given to Lincoln County Distinguished Young Women (C/O Mae Renner, 314 Dogwood Dr., Stanford, KY 40484).

### **MARCELLA J. OLLER ('79)**

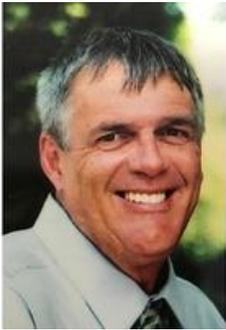


Marcella Jane Oller, 65, of Owensboro, was called home by her Lord and Savior Friday, May 29, 2020, at Owensboro Health Regional Hospital. Born in Beaver Dam on Aug. 5, 1954, she was the daughter of the late Lyndon Thomas and Cullie Mae Barrow Oller. Ms. Oller was a retired accountant working at several banks during her career. She was an active member of Wings of Faith Church of God in Owensboro and had earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and social services from Campbellsville College. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by brothers Danny, Timmy and Tommy; and sisters Sharon and Sue.

Surviving are a brother, James Neal Oller of Owensboro; her friend and caregiver, Patricia Cooper of Owensboro; a niece, Tammy Oller-DeBusk of Indianapolis; nephews Mike Warner and Jeremy Warner; and many friends from all stages of her life she kept up with on Facebook.

Services were private, with care entrusted to Cardinal Cremation Society. Burial will be in Cool Springs Baptist Church Cemetery in Ohio County.

**JOHN M. HENSLEY ('80)**



John Michael Hensley, age 64, of Ducktown, TN, passed away on Thursday, September 10, 2020 in Chattanooga, TN. He was born on April 29, 1956 in Norton, VA, the son of the late Harry Hensley and Mable Kaylor Hensley, and grew up in Norton, VA.

He was also preceeded in death by two brothers Stephen "Stevie" Hensley, and Walter "Rusty" Hensley .

John was a graduate of J.I. Burton High School class of 1974 in Norton, VA. He played many sports in high school including football (a member of the 72 State Champions), also played basketball, baseball, and track. John attended and graduated from Campbellsville College in Kentucky with a degree in teaching. He then earned his M.A. degree in counseling from Radford University in Virginia. John was a physical education teacher at Coeburn Primary School and coached baseball at Coeburn High School in the 1980's. He worked as a counselor and retired from West Fannin Elementary as a school counselor.

He leaves behind four daughters Tara Hensley of Norton, VA, granddaughter Taylor Hensley of Charlotte, NC, Heather and her husband David Ison of Big Stone Gap, VA and their four children Mason Bailey, Aiden Bailey, Conner Ison, and John Silas Ison, Bridgett Hensley of Big Stone Gap, VA and her son Julian Smith, and Hania Rucinska of Poland; step-children Laura and John James and grandson Evan of Etowah, TN., Torrey Lester and his wife Katie and grandchildren Addie Kate, and Caedon of Ringold, GA.

John was married to his loving wife Kathi Hensley for 16 years; they lived with their dog Andi, and cat Peyton. Children always gravitated to John as he was a kind and loving man.

John was of the Christian Faith and believed that each person's spirituality was deep inside their hearts.

A graveside service was conducted on Friday, September 18, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. from Laurel Grove Cemetery in the Ramsey section of Norton, VA.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at [www.akinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.akinsfuneralhome.com). Akins Funeral Home of Copperhill was in charge of the arrangements.

ROBERT LEWIS PATTON ('84)



Mr. Ricky Lewis Patton of Campbellsville was born on June 9, 1960 to the late Joy Winifred and Doris Jean (Wood) Patton. He departed this life on Saturday, September 26, 2020 being 60 years, 3 months, and 17 days of age. Mr. Patton was a graduate of Campbellsville University, where he had earned his bachelor of science degree. He had originally planned to practice as a certified public accountant, but joined his father in the family business instead. A good-hearted man, he was an exceptional mechanic and, after the passing of his father, became the owner and operator of Pat's Transmission Shop.

He leaves to mourn his passing:

One brother: Steve Patton and wife Louise of Campbellsville,

A niece: Alannah Patton of Campbellsville,

One grand nephew: Kasin Bishop of Campbellsville,

An aunt: Edith Hardin of Louisville,

An uncle: Jerry Wood and wife Diane of Campbellsville,

His cousin: Ronnie Patton of Campbellsville,

And several extended family members and friends.

There will be a funeral service to honor the life of Mr. Patton on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 1:00 PM in the chapel of the L.R. Petty Funeral Home, 1765 New Columbia Rd, Campbellsville, KY. Bro. Clifton Bennett will be officiating. Burial will follow in the Brookside Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Tuesday, Sept 29, starting at 10:30 AM.

In lieu of flowers, please consider memorials in the form of donations of Gideon Bibles. Those can be made in person at the funeral home, or online through the “How Can I Help” tab on the front page of this site.

Current CDC guidelines will be followed, including the use of masks and social distancing.

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**LYNWOOD G. MILLER ('95)**



Grant Miller 05/18/1972 05/27/2020 Family and Friends are invited to share memories of Grant Saturday, June 6th or Sunday, June 7th Noon to 7 p.m., at their home (5). Grant Miller Lynwood Grant Miller, 48, of Harrodsburg, died Wednesday, May 27, 2020 in Lexington. Born May 18, 1972 in Lexington, he is the son of the late Sharon Collier Carman, Bill Carman, and Robert Lee Miller. He graduated from Lincoln County High School in 1990. He attended Western Kentucky University and graduated from Campbellsville College in 1995. He loved cooking, grilling, trivia, gardening, as well as history, watching college sports, and collecting baseball cards. His favorite hobby was attending rock concerts with his wife. Grant was a member of the Mercer Masonic Lodge #777 F & AM, 39 Club, as well as the Oleika Shrine Temple He was a Mason for 22 years and was Master of the Lodge in 2005. He was a member and past president of Wilderness Shrine Club. He is survived by his wife, Heather S.

Cocanougher of Harrodsburg, his son Hunter Miller of Richmond and daughter, Victoria Miller of Harrodsburg and his stepson, Joseph (Evie) Muth Eastham of Berea.

The family would welcome friends to stop by their home anytime from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. either Saturday June 6th or Sunday June 7th to remember Grant's wonderful life. A private graveside service will be Friday June 12, 2020 at Buffalo Springs Cemetery. The family suggests memorial donations be sent to the Shriner's Childrens Hospital, 110 Conn Terrace, Lexington, Kentucky 40508. The online guestbook is available at [www.stithcares.com](http://www.stithcares.com) or the Hugs from Home program information is on our Facebook page.

### **CAROLINE S. SCOTT ('99)**



Caroline Sue Scott of Greensburg, Kentucky, daughter of the late Troy Stanley Scott and Myrtie Ellen Shaw Scott, was born on Saturday, January 12, 1952 in Adair County, Kentucky and departed this life on Friday, May 15, 2020 at the Green Hill Rehab and Care Center. She was 68 years, four months, and three days of age.

She had made a profession of faith in Christ, was a graduate of Campbellsville College, and was retired from Fruit of the Loom, Inc. after 27 years of service.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law: Jessica and Tyler Sharpe of Greensburg; a stepson: Robin Greer of Campbellsville; three grandchildren: Briley Sharpe, Kaylee Sharpe, and Kinsley Sharpe all of Greensburg; a sister: Marilyn Huckleby of Adair County; two nieces and a nephew: Angel England of Adair County, Eleasha Butler of Rineyville, and Bobby England of

Russell County; three great-nieces and three great-nephews: Hailey Birdwell, Logan Baker, Byron Bell, Cassie England, Bella England, and Jared England; and a host of other relatives and friends.

The family would like to say a special thank you to the Green Hill Rehab & Care Center Staff and Family, and also to Hosparus of Green River.

There will be private graveside services held for Caroline Sue Scott. Burial in the Neagle Cemetery. Bro. Larry Wisdom officiating. Cowherd and Parrott Funeral Home in charge of the service arrangements.

The family has asked that expressions of sympathy take the form of donations to the Green Hill Activity Fund or Hosparus of Green River, which can be made through the funeral home.

For online condolences log onto: [www.cowherdandparrott.com](http://www.cowherdandparrott.com) or Facebook.

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### **RUTH HARRISON ('07)**



Ruth Harrison, wife, mother, teacher, musician, cook, athlete, decorator, gardener, went to be with her Lord Jesus on Saturday, June 20, 2020, at her home in Philpot, KY.

She was preceded in death by her mother, June Martell, and father, Richard Martell. She is survived by husband, Vic Harrison; sons, Andrew Harrison (Meagan) of Owensboro, and David Harrison (Emily) of Knoxville, TN; brother, Dan Martell (Christa) of Habit; and sister, Martha Hoskinson (Ed) of White Plains.

Born Ruth Marie Martell on Nov. 9, 1961, in Madisonville, Kentucky, Ruth grew up in Nebo, Kentucky, attending Nebo Elementary, where her mother was her fourth grade teacher. Ruth was a point guard on the region-winning West Hopkins High School Rebelettes basketball team, and also played softball and tennis, and played flute in the band. She graduated from Kentucky

Wesleyan College where she majored in vocal music/music education. She earned the fifth-year masters degree certificate from Northern Kentucky University and a Rank 1 in Special Education from Campbellsville University.

She was a substitute teacher in Hopkinsville, Madisonville, and Springfield, KY. She taught music at the St. Joseph's Children's Home in Louisville, KY, at Ockerman Middle School in Florence, KY, and at Seven Hills Elementary in Owensboro. Then she was a long-time special needs teacher at Foust Elementary until her retirement.

Ruth served the Lord by offering her gift of song and leadership to thousands. Her love for Jesus and her Christian witness was clear, whether she was sharing a word of encouragement with her co-workers, or singing before crowds large and small. She performed for weddings throughout the state, singing and playing piano. She served as the Minister to Children at Springfield Baptist Church and directed the children's choirs both at Springfield and at Burlington Baptist Church, Burlington, KY. She also directed Vacation Bible Schools, and organized and hosted senior adult "game nights" at both locations.

Since 1999 Ruth was an active member at First Baptist Church, Owensboro. While at FBC Owensboro she performed as a soloist, as a choir member, and sang with the ensemble, Rejoice. She served on several committees through the years and enjoyed playing on the women's softball team. She was a faithful partner and minister with her husband wherever he served, and continued that role as a co-teacher and "chief encourager" for the Adult 4 "Fellowship" class at First Baptist, Owensboro. Ruth was an encourager to everyone, making each person feel welcome and lending quick-witted humor at every opportunity in their Bible study classes and social gatherings. One of her greatest joys was sharing her home and gift of hospitality with her church family. She also enjoyed participating in mission opportunities in Owensboro, in Mexico, and in the American west with the music ministry and the youth ministry at FBC.

Ruth loved to raise her voice in song to the Lord. She also enjoyed playing piano, raising flowers, making flower arrangements, mowing the yard, playing with pets, playing ping pong, cooking, hosting "get-togethers", and decorating for the seasons. She was known for her elaborate Christmas trees filled with unique ornaments from across the country and the world and for her lantern collection. But what struck people most about Ruth was her quick, witty humor, and her contagious positive outlook. She had an uncommon zest for life.

At home she was a tireless cheerleader and supporter of her husband and family. She always wanted them to feel special and spared no effort or expense to make it so. She constantly found joy in doing small things and large things for them. Her gifts of song, hospitality, and humor made Ruth the perfect spouse to compliment her husband's ministry, and she was his best friend and advisor.

Services will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24, 2020, at First Baptist Church, 230 J.R. Miller Blvd, in Owensboro. Those attending the service will need to enter the church on the Daviess Street entrance. Burial will follow at Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation was on Tuesday from 3 until 7 p.m. at James H. Davis Funeral Home & Crematory. The number of those attending the visitation or funeral service shall be in compliance with current health and public safety directives while family and friends shall wear appropriate personal protective masks.

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**SAMANTHA P. KEETON ('18)**



Samantha Paige Keeton was born December 4, 1996, the daughter of Jeff and Susan (Tucker) Keeton. She departed this life, Wednesday, July 22, 2020 reaching the age of 23 years. She leaves behind her parents Jeff and Susan, sisters Monica (Corey) Buster, Anna Keeton and her niece that she loved dearly Magnolia Buster and her special friend Bradley Vanhook. Survivors also include her maternal grandparents, Lonzo and Katherine (Rose) Tucker, Uncle, Lonzo Tucker Junior, Aunts, Melinda Bell, Betty Tucker, Jacqueline Roberts, and Autumn Bertram. Samantha leaves behind a host of great- aunts and uncles, cousins, and friends.

Samantha would want her “adopted” family mentioned as survivors: Papaw Cecil, Granny Bonnie, and Uncle Chris McGinnis. Granny Bonnie spoiled her so. She is preceded in death by her paternal grandparents George and Anna Marie Keeton. Samantha graduated from Wayne County High School in 2015. After graduation, she attended Somerset Community College, graduating in 2018. Later, she decided to continue her education and was attending Campbellsville University. Samantha was employed with Speedway in Somerset, KY, where she met and made new friends that she often spoke of.

Samantha enjoyed hunting, fishing and just being outdoors. All that knew Samantha knew that she was just a plain and simple lady. It didn’t take much to please her. Samantha accepted Christ as her Savior on Mother’s Day May 14, 2006. She joined Green Hill Baptist Church later moving her membership to New Town Baptist Church. Samantha loved the Lord, and loved to sing in his glory. To know Samantha was to love her, she always had a smile everyone and is going to be missed so much.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, July 25, 2020 between 9:30 am – 1 pm in the chapel of the funeral home. Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 25, 2020 at 1 pm at the Hicks-Vaughn Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be in the Elk Spring Cemetery. Due to the current COVID-19 situation, and upon recommendations from the Governor’s Office for Funeral Homes, there will be some limitations and restrictions for service attendance. Please feel free to sign the online guestbook or send a private condolence message through our website. To send a flower arrangement to the family of Samantha Paige Keeton, please click here to visit our Sympathy Store.  
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## **Faculty**

**EDWARD E. CARLTON**

Edward Elam Carlton, Sr., age 87 passed away on Tuesday, June 16, 2020. Elam was a Rutherford County, Tennessee native and was a graduate of the Class of 1951 of Rockvale High School. He was the son of the late Bee Washington and Mary Pearl Simmons Carlton. He was

also preceded in death by his brothers, M.B. Carlton, Henry Carlton, William Carlton, Houston Carlton; sister Margaret Keyt; and grandson, Christopher Helton.

Mr. Carlton is survived by his wife of 65 years, Mary Evelyn Dalton Carlton; 5 children, Edward E. Carlton Jr. and wife Cindy, Candie Williams, Randall Bee Carlton and wife Marilyn, Denise Carlton, and Michael Carlton; 8 grandchildren, Edward E Carlton III (Rhonda), Tabitha Murphy, DeWayne Carlton (Debbie), Sarah Streichert (Kris), Adam Bee Carlton, Lori Carlton (Josh), Shane Eakes (Catherine) and Blake Carlton; 17 great-grandchildren, Chris Tase, Kayla Meeks (Chad), Kristen Underwood (Tommy), Kattie Norton (Taylor), Christopher Johnson, Darnel Johnson, Daniel Johnson, Shantel Murphy, Buddy Murphy, Samantha Murphy, Kimberly Underwood (Aldon), Jacob Carlton, Keira Streichert, Trent Streichert, Lena Carlton, Mark Carlton, Anie Joy Carlton; and 7 great-great grandchildren, Justen Carlton, Jazmin Meeks, Aurora Underwood, Grayson Underwood, Jonathon Norton, Kataline Norton, Kingston Underwood; sister, Mary Allene Reeves; and sister-in-law, Emma Lois Baker Carlton; nieces and nephews and many other loved family and friends.

Visitation with the family will be 4 pm until 7 pm, Sunday, June 21, 2020 at Woodfin Memorial Chapel, 1488 Lascassas Pike, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, 37130. 615.893.5151. A private burial service will be held in the new family cemetery.

Elam lived a full life and career as a beef and dairy farmer; real estate investor; insurance agency owner; an educator; and was active in local, state and national politics. His teaching career started in Spencer, TN in a one room school, then as a principal in a two room school and he taught elementary, middle and high school grades, (Van Buren Co Tennessee, Rockvale High School, Tennessee; Chattanooga Tyner High School, Tennessee; Hillsboro High School, Nashville, Tennessee; LaFayette High School, Georgia; and Louisville High School, Kentucky. He is a former principal in (Tennessee) at Van Buren Co., Woodbury High School, Rockvale Elementary School and Smyrna Elementary School.

He taught college at MTSU, University of Georgia and Campbellsville College, Kentucky, (as associate college dean in Science where he conducted research on radiation effects on food.) His areas of studies and classes taught include General Biology, Genetics, Entomology, Embryology, Ecology, Radio Biology, General Chemistry, Physical Science, Human Biology, and Botany.

Elam graduated from MTSU with a bachelor, master and an administrator-supervision in Education. He completed post masters work at Murray State University, Memphis State University, Mercer University, Colorado State University, Oak Ridge Associated University, Vanderbilt University; and attended YMCA Law School; conducted research at Colorado State University and Oak Ridge Associated University; and held a PhD in Physics. His research areas included radio isotopes, radiation poisoning antidotes and radiation effects on food.

Elam served as Rutherford County Schools Superintendent (1977-1982 and 1990-1994). Rutherford County qualified under numerous categories and received the recognition of the Tennessee Governors A+ program for school achievement and improvement under his last term in office for Rutherford County.

In 1994, he was selected by the Tennessee State Commissioner of Education to represent Tennessee out of 95 counties to the 53rd National Superintendent Conference, held in New York. At this conference, voted on for the number and amount of success of innovative programs implemented during his four years by his peers and he was awarded, "National Superintendent of The Year", receiving 49 out of 50 states' votes from recognized Superintendents chosen from their respective states.

Mr. Carlton retired as the last elected Superintendent of Rutherford County Schools; he also served as Metcalf County, Kentucky Superintendent of Schools; and interim Director of Cannon County Schools, where many board members and county commissioners were his former students during his time at Woodbury High School, many years prior.

During his terms in office as Rutherford County superintendent of schools he and the board oversaw additions to most all schools, he worked with Nissan to establish training for high school students interested in working at the car factory; planned and built Smyrna Elementary School, the first new school following Nissan coming to Smyrna; sold the idea on the tri-school complex; helped locate and obtain land for the Blackman schools; and located land for Rockvale, Lascassas, Kittrell, Walter Hill, and Buchanan current locations; and oversaw the building of four elementary schools, Stewartsboro, Rockvale, Kittrell and Lascassas; the rebuilding of Eagleville School following a fire; and opening of the new Rockvale Elementary school on

Highway 99. As a parting gift, Elam was given the old Rockvale School bell for his retirement, which he put on loan and is displayed in the elementary school lobby.

Elam oversaw the closing and festivities of the old Rockvale School, even acting in the reproduction of his 1951 senior class play, "Here Comes Charlie". Rather than seeing the old Rockvale school site completely torn down, he arranged for part of the old building to be leased for a community center and ball field. That arrangement continues to exist today. The community center is operated by the Rockvale Ruritan Club and the annual 4th of July picnic was changed to a fundraiser to support the center.

Some of the accomplishments during his term benefiting Rutherford County include: The change to pitch roofs for lower maintenance cost featured first by Rockvale Middle School; implemented a county school proactive maintenance program; regular roof inspections to control repair cost; implemented a standardized pay model; established the counties first Alternative School, to work with students expelled from regular schools. Elam and Sheriff Truman Jones established the first school resource officers in county schools.

Mr. Carlton implemented a 20 year technology plan for teachers and students in all Rutherford County schools. This technology plan included adding technology teachers, computer labs and a general upgrade to all schools to accommodate for wiring in old and new school buildings. Rutherford County schools became ahead of the rest of the state with this move toward technology. He felt strongly, it was the future, and a necessity for students to be competitive in the 21st century workplace. He went to IBM, personally, and solicited an arrangement for IBM to partner with Rutherford County Schools, arranging for each computer the schools bought, IBM would donate a computer, and the school system would add computers each year for additional grades.

Other initiatives implemented during his terms involved teacher mentor programs; a teacher work center and students reading and doing math at their own level; the computerized reading program and the hands on science programs; all these efforts raised test scores significantly in Rutherford County schools and some of these programs continue in schools, today.

## DR. KENNETH H. POPE



In his book *Outliers*, the researcher and author Malcom Gladwell reports that in terms of career opportunities, the best year to be born in the 20<sup>th</sup> century was 1935. Kenneth Harden Pope had the good sense and foresight to come in to this world on May 9<sup>th</sup> of that year in Shubuta, Mississippi. He was the first child of Matt and Roma Ree Pope. He was soon joined by his sister Roma Jean and then his brother Bernard. Some years later, the baby brother, Jimmy Lee rounded out these Mississippi siblings.

Due to the depression and then WWII, the family moved numerous times between Mississippi and Baton Rouge, Louisiana while Ken was a boy. When he was in 9<sup>th</sup> grade the family landed in Jackson, Mississippi where they remained. It was in high school in Jackson that he met his first love, Fay Touchstone. They married on April 22, 1956 and were together until her death in 2012.

Dr. Pope attended Mississippi College along with Fay. He put himself through school by delivering mail for the US Post Office. In 1959, their daughter, Robin, was born. After graduating with his BS in Mathematics, Dr. Pope then earned a MS in Mathematics from the University of Mississippi. During this time he also served in the Mississippi National Guard. At some point during his early 20s he felt the call to ministry. More on that in a moment.

He graduated from Ole Miss in the Spring of 1962. Dr. Pope sometimes liked to point out that James Meredith, the first African American student at the University of Mississippi began classes in the Fall of that year. Upon graduating Dr. Pope had several job opportunities. One would have taken the young family to California to work for Boeing, but this seemed way to far away from home for them. He settled instead to venture part way into the “North” and accepted a faculty position at Hannibal La Grange College Extension Center in St. Louis. While the family was in St. Louis, John Pope was born.

In 1964, Dr. Pope began a PhD program in math at the University of Missouri in Columbia. The following year he was offered a faculty position in Mathematics at Hannibal La Grange College in Hannibal Missouri. There he remained until 1982 serving as Math professor, Dean and eventually Vice President of Financial Development. During those years he was continually

seeking out more knowledge, eventually earning his PhD in Higher Adult Education at the University of Missouri.

While working full time and taking courses at the University of Missouri during some summers and in Chicago at other times, he followed his call to the ministry and served as interim pastor in rural churches in North East Missouri and Western Illinois. His children have fond memories of playing in church graveyards and marveling at the outhouses in use in many of these churches. They have less fond memories of sitting on pews in unairconditioned buildings trying to get a breeze going with the funeral fans.

Not to be content with a full-time job, a rural pastorship, and traveling to attend university classes, Dr. Pope earned his private pilot's license in his "spare" time. He could rarely persuade Fay to get in a plane but he certainly enjoyed being in the air. At least one time he and his friend had to land their plane in a convenient field rather than on an airstrip.

In 1982 with a partially empty nest, Dr. Pope accepted a Vice President position at Campbellsville College (Now University). He kept that position until "retirement" when he launched a career as a Certified Financial Planner with New York Life Insurance. He also stepped in to preach when needed at churches in the Campbellsville area. Because apparently he was not busy enough, he was a member of and held office in the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs. He also was a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Mason. Ken and Fay enjoyed their retirement by traveling and taking care of their grandchildren, Christopher Hackett, Lydia Pope-Clark, and Gabriel Pope.

After the death of Fay in 2012, Dr. Pope surprised himself by falling head over heels in love with Susan Tesseneer. They had a joyous wedding on June 20, 2014. They were truly soulmates and enjoyed every moment of their too short time together. Dr. Pope took his last breathe with his dear Susan at his side.

Besides his wife, Susan Lee Tesseneer-Street-Pope of Campbellsville, he is survived by one son and one daughter: John Harden Pope and his sweetheart, Erica Ullman of Lexington and Dr. Robin Pope Santa-Teresa and husband, Ben of Silver City, New Mexico; two step-sons: Robert Beni Street, II and Ralph Calvin Street, Sr.; one daughter-in-law of the heart, Susan Pope; three grandchildren: Christopher Hackett and wife, Amanda Brusich-Hackett of Milwaukie, Oregon, Lydia Pope Clark and husband, Matthew of Seoul, Korea and Gabriel Pope of Milwaukie, Oregon; seven step-grandchildren; one brother, Jimmy Lee Pope and wife, Glenda of Metairie, Louisiana; several nieces and nephews and many other relatives and friends.

He was also preceded in death by one brother and one sister: Bernard Pope and Roma Jean Dykes.

VISITATION: 12:00 Noon - 1:30 P.M., Saturday, August 22, 2020 at Parrott & Ramsey Funeral Home

FUNERAL SERVICE: 2:00 P.M., Saturday, August 22, 2020 at Parrott & Ramsey Funeral Home in Campbellsville by Rev. Earl West

BURIAL: Brookside Cemetery

Pallbearers will be Jerry Black, Christopher Hackett, Gabriel Pope, Ralph Calvin Street, Sr. and Robert Beni Street, II

EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY REQUESTED TO BE DONATIONS TO GIDEON BIBLES AND MAY BE MADE AT PARROTT & RAMSEY FUNERAL HOME

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ELDRED A. THIERSTEIN (\*58)



Dr. Eldred A. Thierstein - Eldred was born in Newton, Kansas, June 5, 1935. Eldred married Emma Joan Voth in the Bethel College Church on March 17, 1959. They were married for 61 years.

Eldred valued education. He graduated with an A.B. in Music from Bethel College in 1958. He was awarded an M.M.E. from Indiana University in 1963. In 1974, he received his Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music. His beautiful baritone voice graced the operatic stage in Cincinnati with the Cincinnati Opera from 1964-1973. While he was an exceptional vocal talent, his magic came in the classroom as an instructor. Dr. Thierstein was a beloved member of the faculty and chair of the Music Department at Hillsdale College from 1978-2000. Dr. Thierstein also served as a member of the faculty at Kentucky State University from 1972-1978. Dr. Thierstein authored the seminal work on the Cincinnati Opera, Cincinnati Opera: From the Zoo to Music Hall. Eldred loved music. He and his wife Joan have been ardent supporters of the Jazz community in the Phoenix metropolitan area for the past 20 years.

Eldred died in Scottsdale, AZ on Wednesday, July 15, 2020, and was 85 years old. Dr. Eldred Thierstein's interment will be at St. Barnabas on the Desert Episcopal Church, in a private family service, Scottsdale, AZ on Monday, July 27, 2020. Eldred was, first and foremost, a devoted husband and loving father. He is survived by his wife Joan, son Joel, granddaughter Emily, daughter and son-in-law, Gretchen and Jon Kitchel, granddaughter Heidi and grandson Jaron.