

Manafort found guilty of eight financial crimes

ALEXANDRIA, VA. (AP) — Paul Manafort, the longtime political operative who for months led Donald Trump’s winning presidential campaign, was found guilty of eight financial crimes Tuesday in the first trial victory of the special counsel investigation into the president’s associates.

A judge declared a mistrial on 10 other counts the jury could not agree on.

The verdict was part of a stunning one-two punch of bad news for the White House, coming as the president’s former lawyer, Michael Cohen, was pleading guilty in New York to campaign finance charges arising from hush money payments made to two women who say they had sex with Trump.



MANAFORT

The jury returned the decision after deliberating four days on tax and bank fraud charges against Manafort, who led the Trump election effort during a crucial stretch of 2016.

Manafort, who appeared jovial earlier in the day amid signs the jury was struggling in its deliberations, stared intently at the panel as the clerk read off the charges. He stared down blankly at the defense table, then looked up, expressionless, as the judge finished thanking the jury.

Manafort was found guilty of five counts of filing false tax returns on tens of millions of dollars in Ukrainian political consulting income. He was also convicted of failing to report a foreign bank account and of two bank fraud charges that

accused him of lying to banks to obtain millions of dollars in loans after his income dried up.

The outcome, though not the across-the-board guilty verdicts the prosecutors sought, almost certainly guarantees years of prison for Manafort. It also appears to vindicate the ability of special counsel Robert Mueller’s team to secure convictions from a jury of average citizens despite months of partisan attacks — including from Trump — on the investigation’s integrity.

The verdict raised immediate questions of whether the president would seek to pardon Manafort, the lone American charged by Mueller to opt for trial instead of cooperate. The president has not revealed his thinking but spoke sympathetically throughout the trial of his onetime aide, at one point suggesting he had been treated worse than gangster Al Capone.

Fair Books have arrived!



Pageants, livestock, and a midway screaming with carnival rides. The excitement of the annual Warren County A&L Fair is just over two weeks away, Sept. 7-15, and fair books have arrived to inform local residents about all the action. Pictured is reigning Fairest of the Fair Haile West Adams, who is set to relinquish her crown Monday, Sept. 10.

OBITUARIES



Charles Austin Jones, 95

McMinnville resident and Warren County native Charles Austin Jones, 95, was born May 6, 1923 and died Aug. 18 at his residence following an extended illness.

A quartermaster for the VFW, a United States Army veteran of World War II, and a member of Smyrna Church of Christ, he was the son of the late Clyde S. and Johnnie Ida Green Jones Sr. He was married Aug. 3, 1947 to Mildred “Mickey” Imogene Boyd Jones, who preceded him in death Nov. 26, 2008. In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by two sons, Jimmy Dee Jones and Sutton Jones; sister Dorothy Mullican; and brother Jimmy Jones.

He is survived by daughter and son-in-law Jennifer and Wayne Baker of McMinnville; six grandchildren Suzanne C. Jones of London, Ohio, Bethany A. Beets of Prattville, Ala., and Danielle Baker, Katie Baker, Austin Baker and Breanna Baker, all of McMinnville; three great-grandchildren, Madilyn McKnight, Cade McKnight and Gus Beets; and brother Clyde Jones Jr. of Huntsville, Ala.

Funeral service was Tuesday, Aug. 21, at High’s Chapel with Ricky Magness and Bill Walkup officiating. Burial followed at Smyrna Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Gideon Bibles or Avalon Hospice. Online condolences may be made at www.highfuneralhome.com.

High Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Lillian Maxwell Newport, 94

Trusting in the finished work of her Lord and Savior, Lillian Maxwell Newport, 94, of Cordova, formerly of McMinnville and Nashville, died Saturday, Aug. 18.

She was an active member of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nashville where she participated in several church and community activities. For the last six years she lived with her loving daughter Amy Shipman where she was able to spend time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Eugene and Clara Maxwell; four brothers Melvin, W.F., Kenneth and Freddie Maxwell, all from Middle Tennessee. Mrs. Newport is survived by her daughter, Amy Shipman (Larry); grandchildren, Ethan Argo (Eva), Seth Argo (Lindsay), Sheryl Stockton (Winsor), Cory Shipman (Angie); great-grandchildren, Jalen, Jake, Ava, Carter, Davis, Issy, Oscar, Wilson, Maddie Kate, Millie and Will.

Funeral service was Monday, Aug. 20, at Memphis Funeral Home and Memorial Gardens, 3700 N. Germantown Rd., Bartlett, TN. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to Meals on Wheels, Bellevue Baptist Church-Cordova, or charity of choice.

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Grady Seldon George Sr., 95

Grady Seldon George Sr., 95, of Woodbury passed away Friday, Aug. 17, at Centennial Medical Center.

Grady was born Oct. 25, 1922 to the late Sammy and Jennie Tate George in the Gassaway community of Cannon County. Survivors include her children, David (Joan) George of Bradyville, Jana (Cliff) Reigle of Woodbury, Grady (Carol) George Jr. of Woodbury, Faye (Allen) Morse of Gassaway, and Beth (Michael) Palombo of Woodbury; brother Frelan (Judy) George of Manchester; sister-in-law Myra (Jim) Kastor of Statesville, N.C.; grandchildren Micheal (Beth) George and Kevin (Katina) George, both of Bradyville, Amy Parker and Jamie Slotton, both of Woodbury, James (April) Hines of Murfreesboro, Michelle (Travis) Walker of Pleasant View, Angela (Josh) Cossey of Woodbury, Alana (Matt) Quarles of Dowelltown, Dana (Dave) Brown of Murfreesboro, and Samuel Palombo of Marietta, Ga.; great-grandchildren, Andrea (Jackie) Myers, Heather (Evan) Sharp, Nathan (Brittany) George, Cole and Cassie George, Jacob Schwartz, Chelsey Crisp, Will (Shellie) Parker, Haley Schwartz, Dillon Parker, Katie Slotton, Kinley Phelps, Bo Parker, Weston Slotton, Michaela Miron, Paige Walker, Loren Hines, Libby Hines, Gage Walker, Lucas Hines, Whiteleigh Cossey, Hayden, Colt, and Madison Quarles, and Harper Grace Brown, great-great-grandchildren, Lucy and Daisy George, Bryson Myers, Camyrn Sharp, Lillie Schwartz, Ada Parker, Cadence Crisp, Haze Parker, Cain Parker, Hallie Parker, Oakland Parker, Avanell Parker, Davlie Lavender, Tynslie Lavender, and Declan Miron.

In addition to his parents, Mr. George was preceded in death by his wife, Avannell Jones George; and siblings Nina Campbell, Inez Bogle, Ernestine Tate, Betty Ledna, Medford George, and Howard George.

Grady was a member of the Methodist Church and was a farmer. He was a veteran of the Army where he was a master sergeant and served in World War II. He was a recipient of the Purple Heart. Mr. George was a member of the Cannon County Walking Horse Association and Cannon County Soil Conservation.

Funeral service was Tuesday, Aug. 21, at the Chapel of Woodbury Funeral Home with Bros. Frelan George, Bobby Nichols, and David George officiating. Interment followed at Leoni Cemetery.

Woodbury Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements, 615-563-2311, www.woodburyfuneralhome.net

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Vera Lee Thomas, 78

Yuba City, Calif., resident and Warren County native Vera Lee Thomas, 78, peacefully passed away July 19, 2018, in Marysville, Calif.

The daughter of the late Frank Duncan and Ada Rosena Starkey Lusk, she was also preceded in death by her husband L.V. Thomas, daughter Sherry Mosley and three brothers James, Donald, and Howard Lusk.

She leaves to cherish her daughter Dianna Thomas Fitts of San Diego, Calif.; son David Thomas of Yuba City, Calif., four grandchildren Pilar Burks (Antione), Ashley Fitts and Sydnie Fitts of Houston, Texas and Tyler Mosley of Yuba City, Calif.; two sisters Johnnie Dillard of McMinnville and Juanita Taylor of Rock Island; four brothers and sisters-in-law Charles and Georgia Lusk of McMinnville, Harold and Louise Lusk of McMinnville, Jerry Lusk of Murfreesboro, and Curtis and Rhonda Lusk of Murfreesboro; sister-in-law Margaret Lusk of McMinnville; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends to cherish her memory.

Memorial Service will be held at Hiawassee Church of Christ, 8642 Manchester Hwy, Morrison, TN 37357, Saturday, Aug. 25, at 2 p.m. Memorial gifts in Vera’s Memory can be sent to Hiawassee Church of Christ.

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Bonnie Anne Brown Justin, 73

Bonnie Anne Brown Justin of Lancaster, Texas, passed from this life Monday, June 4, 2018. She was 73.

Bonnie was born July 30, 1944, in McMinnville to Buster and Nelma Brown. She was also the daughter of A.R. “Happy” Justin. Bonnie was a 1962 graduate of McMinnville High School and attended the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

At the time of her death, Bonnie was the owner and operator of Bonnie Justin Bookseller, which began in Atlanta, Ga., and later relocated to Lancaster, Texas. Bonnie’s sweet smile and infectious personality touched many lives along her journey. She will be missed by all.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents; and her aunts and uncles, Eva Young, Pearlina Wright, Lossie Pursley, Flossie B. Hennessee, David E. Brown and James B. “Buddy” Brown.

She is survived by her aunt, Mary McCulley of Chattanooga, and cousins Maurice (LeeOna) Young of Etowah, Ken (Peggy) Wright of Huntsville, Ala., Ronnie (Carlene) Brown of McMinnville, Cynthia (Charles) Knight of Rossville, Ga.; and numerous other relatives and friends.

The family wishes to thank Ms. Claudia Calhoun for her loving care of Bonnie during the last years of her life. The family also wants to thank Bonnie’s neighbors Jo Ann and Vernon Scott for many years of care and support.

A graveside memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. CST Saturday, Aug. 25, at Mt. View Cemetery with Tommy Vann to officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to CHEER Mental Health Center, 120 Omni Drive, McMinnville, 37110, an organization founded by Bonnie’s mother, Nelma Justin, or to First United Methodist Church, 200 W. Main Street, McMinnville, Tennessee 37110. Online condolences may be made at www.highfuneralhome.com.

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Cope Family Reunion

The Cope Family Reunion will be Aug. 26 @ Wayside Community Center. Covered dish lunch will be served at 12:30pm. Everybody welcome.

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