

Obituaries

CHRISTOPHER KING BETHANY

Christopher King Bethany passed into glory on Saturday, May 12, 2018. He was born on April 15, 1959 in Lexington, MS to Shade and Joyce Bethany. He graduated from Central Holmes in 1979 and went on to get an Associates degree in Welding at Holmes Community College.

Chris was a member of Antioch Baptist Church. He never met a stranger and was a great friend to all.

Chris is survived by his loving wife Eva; sons, Brian Bethany (Kristin) and Matt Bethany; step-children, Lindsey Austin (Gary) and Josh Carpenter (Kaley); mother Joyce Bethany, brother Shade Bethany, III (Zenda), sister Nancy Bryant (David), brother Mitch Bethany (Lisa), and one aunt Barbara King.

Chris was preceded in death by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil King; his father Shade Bethany, Jr.; and his beloved sister Lisa Bethany.

Visitation was held Tuesday, May 15, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. with funeral services following, all at Southern Funeral Home in Lexington, MS. A private burial for family and close friends will take place in Yazoo County following the funeral service.

MARLIN LEWIS GILES, JR.

Marlin Lewis Giles, Jr., 53, died May 10, 2018 at his home in West. Funeral services were held 3:00 p.m., Saturday, May 12, 2018 at Southern Funeral Home in Durant. Burial was in Old Wheeling Cemetery in West. Pallbearers were Steve Banks, Corey Garrett, Mike Mabry, Brian Gordon, Jason Weeks and Seth Starns. Honorary pallbearers were the men of West Baptist Church. Bro. Charlie Long officiated.

Marlin was a self employed barn builder and a member of West Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Lyndol Gelston Giles; sons, Cody Gene Giles (Samantha) and Tyler Shane Giles (Kellum) both of West; daughter Mandy Giles Baker (Sam) of Vardaman; granddaughter Marlee Katherine Baker; brother Russell Giles (Susan) of Burlison, TN; sister Phyllis Jackson (Mike) of Proctor, AR; brother-in-law Shane Tucker (Jan) of Brandon; sisters-in-law, Kathy Gelston and Christy Ferrell both of West; four nephews and two nieces.

Marlin was preceded in death by his grandmother Mary Ellen Clay; mother Barbara Giles; father-in-law Gene Gelston and mother-in-law Mary Katherine Gelston.

HARVEY HILL

Mr. Harvey Hill, 36, of West, MS passed away on Sunday, May 6, 2018 of natural causes in Canton, MS. Funeral services were held on Monday, May 14 at New Hope M.B. Church in West with burial in Smyrna Cemetery in West. Winters Funeral Home in Kosciusko, MS was in charge of arrangements.

MARY ELIZABETH "LIZ" TAHIR

Mary Elizabeth "Liz" Tahir, 85, of New Orleans passed away Monday May 7, 2018 at Oshners in New Orleans. She was owner of Tahir International Marketing Consultants, the first female Executive Vice President of D. H. Holmes Company, she began her career in 1951 at Neiman Marcus of Dallas, Texas.

Her only survivor is her brother Abe M. Tahir, Jr. of New Orleans.

Graveside services were scheduled for Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Greenwood, MS.

The family entrusted Stricklin-King Funeral Home of Yazoo City with the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Old Wheeling Cemetery, P.O. Box 66, West, MS 39192.

Durant native named to student testing task force

Staff Reports

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) announced on Wednesday, May 9, members of the Mississippi Student Testing Task Force that will examine current student testing on the state and local school district levels and to determine best practices for monitoring student progress in meeting grade-level and subject area learning goals.

Durant native and principal of Pass Christian High School, Dr. Robyn Kille-

brew, was selected for being named the 2017-18 Milken Educator.

Mississippi high school students, who will be seniors in the fall, have an opportunity to apply to be a member of the task force.

Four students, one from each congressional district, will be selected to represent their peers in discussions about how to ensure the state prepares them for college, the work force or the military.

The first monthly meeting of the task force is scheduled

for 9 a.m. on Tuesday, June 19 in the 4th floor boardroom of the Central High School Building.

Meetings of the task force will be live streamed and archived. The task force will produce a report on its findings and recommendations by December 2018.

The MDE will be accepting public comment on student testing at the following address: testingtaskforce@mdek12.org.

All comments will be posted online each month.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DEADLINE: 12 Noon Thursday

GREATER FAITH I.C.
Greater Faith International Church in Lexington will host its 13th Year Pastoral Appreciation for Derrick Smith on Sunday, May 20 at 3 p.m.
5-10,17

LEBANON M.B.C.
Lebanon M.B. Church will host its Annual Women Day Program on Sunday, May 20 at 11 a.m.
5-17

ZION CITY M.B.C.
Zion City M.B. Church will hold its three-night revival services from Monday, may 21 through Wednesday, May 23 at 7:00 nightly. There will be a different speaker each night.
5-17

WEST M.B.C.
West M.B. Church will host its annual Usher's Day Program on Sunday, May 20 at 3 p.m.
5-17

LEXINGTON COLTS
The Lexington Colts youth sports team will be signing up players for the 2018 football season. Boys ages 6-12 can register, \$30 for May and \$60 after June 1. Applications can be picked up at William Dean Jr. Elementary from Coaches Peter Reeves and Andy Hallman. For more information call 662-633-8053.
5-17,24,31

TRIAD
The Holmes County TRIAD will host its annual luncheon on Tuesday, May 29 at 11 a.m. in the J.J. McClain High School Gymnasium in Lexington. For more information call 662-834-1511.
5-17,24

LEXINGTON LIBRARY
Lexington Public Library will hold its monthly Third Thursday movie event for children on May 17 at 3:15 p.m. Third Thursday is co-sponsored by Friends of the Lexington Public Library. A parent or responsible caregiver must accompany any child under 9 years of age. For movie title and further information, please call 834-2571.
5-17

LEBANON DIST. ASSOC.
The Lebanon District Association will have its first

planned annual youth retreat on Friday, May 19 at Mt. Calvary M.B. Church in Tchula. All youth are invited. The retreat begins 8:30 a.m., for more information call 662-834-0276.
5-17

WEST GROVE M.B.C.
West Grove M.B. Church in Lexington will hold its Annual Family and Friends' Day Program on Sunday, May 27 at 11 a.m.
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Story after story. Surprise after surprise. It seems that God is looking more for ways to get us home than for ways to keep us out. I challenge you to find one soul who came to God seek-

ing grace and did not find it. Search the pages. Read the stories. Find one person who came seeking a second chance and left with a stern lecture. I dare you! You won't find it!


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