

# -Obituaries-

## Roger Gordon Norfleet

RUSSELL SPRINGS - Roger Gordon Norfleet, 83, Russell Springs died Thursday, April 16, 2020 at the Russell County Hospital.

He was born April 20, 1936 in Russell County to the late Denny & Alma Roy Norfleet.

He was a Veteran of US Army and a member of Fairview Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Ellen Norfleet, Russell Springs; son, Timmy Roger Norfleet, Windsor; three granddaughters, Chelsea Norfleet, Tianne Norfleet and Shaylee Norfleet; three great grandsons, Conner Norfleet, Dallas Riggs and Hunter Riggs; three sisters, Ina May Rogers and Imolene Nolen, both of Indiana and Grace Norfleet, Russell Springs and two brothers, Edward Norfleet and Weldon Norfleet, Indiana.

Services were private.

Bernard Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Jeffrey Allen Smith

RUSSELL SPRINGS - Jeffrey Allen Smith, 68, Russell Springs died Friday, April 17, 2020 at his home.



He was born January 22, 1952 in Russell County to the late Lonzo Lee & Maggie Stephens

Smith.

He was a Veteran of US Army.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Lee Smith and Calvin Smith and three sisters, Ethel Trimble, Anna Norman, and Marie Sparks

Survivors include his wife, Patsy Smith, Russell Springs; four children, Rebecca (Brian) Tarter, Kimberly (Arnie) Robertson and Jason Smith, all of Russell Springs and Josh Smith, Bowling Green; one grandchild, Chris Smith; one brother, Charles (JoNell) Smith, Russell Springs; two sisters, Glenna (J.C.) Bean and Doris Blair, both of Russell Springs.

Pallbearers were Jim Burton, Joe Burton, Johnny Burton, Michael York, Gary McGaha and Keith McGaha.

All services were private.

Bernard Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Phillip Dale Combest

RUSSELL SPRINGS - Phillip Dale Combest, 78, Russell Springs died Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at the Jean Waddle Care Center in Somerset after a long battle with cancer.



He was born August 26, 1941 in Creelsboro to Phillip and Ruth Bledsoe Combest, both of whom preceded him in death.

He managed an insurance services and inspection firm for 25 years before starting his own regional firm, Philco Reports, in 1986, which he owned and operated for 15 years in Cincinnati until his retirement and return to Russell Springs to live.

He is survived by three sons, Phillip Alan (Heather) Combest, Irvine, California, Paul David (Angie) Combest, of Parker, Colorado and Michael Dale (Pinky) Combest, Shanghai, China; one daughter, Julie Marie (Jimmy) Farthing, Liberty Township, Ohio; four grandchildren, Tessa and Spencer Farthing, and Jacob and Carson Combest; four sisters, Glenda (Danny) Coffey, Jamestown, Betty (Lynn) Wheat and Nancy (Steve) Shepard, all of Russell Springs, and LaDonna Cooper, Liberty; many nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friend and his favorite aunt, Maxine Bledsoe, the widow of his favorite uncle, Allen Bledsoe.

Cremation was his choice, with his remains in the Sidney Campbell Family Cemetery.

All services were private.

Bernard Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## W. C. Popplewell

RUSSELL SPRINGS - W. C. Popplewell, 97, Russell Springs died Thursday, April 16, 2020 at the Russell County Hospital.



He was born April 13, 1923 in Russell County to the late Jonah and Cloda Miller Popplewell.

He was a farmer.

Survivors include two nieces, Jane Wilson and Frances Flatt, both of Russell Springs; several other nieces and nephews.

Services were private

Bernard Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements

## Garmoline Carpenter

RUSSELL SPRINGS - Garmoline Carpenter, 91, Russell Springs died Monday, April 13, 2020 at the Hospice of Lake Cumberland, Jean Waddle Care Center in Somerset.

She was born November 18, 1928 in Russell County to the late Chester & Eva Hammonds Gosser.

She was a retired school teacher.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Kamos Carpenter and a brother, Garmon Gosser. Survivors include son, Dante Carpenter, Russell Springs; granddaughter, Elise Carpenter.

Pallbearers were Ted Adkins, Josh Tarter, Josh Bennett, Micah Thomas, Nick Cunningham, Eddie Harris.

Special music by Yvonne Emerson

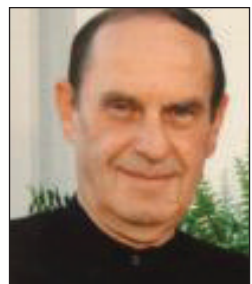
Memorials suggested to the Union Cemetery Fund. These can be made to Beverly Grimes, P.O. Box 2273, Russell Springs or Bernard Funeral Home, Russell Springs

All services were private.

Bernard Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements

## Montie Elmer Blankenship

Montie Elmer Blankenship, 86 of Clarksville, TN passed away on Friday, April 3, 2020 at Ahava Healthcare of Clarksville. He was born in Russell County, KY on January 31, 1934 to the late Dora and Margie Blankenship. Mr. Blankenship was a retired veteran of the U.S. Army.



Left to cherish his memory are his daughters; Christie Mills (Michael) of Clarksville, TN and Camille Richey (Michael) of Overland Park, KS, son; Ricky Blankenship (Annie) of Dublin, OH, sisters; Lena Camp, Sylvia Stapp, Linda Stapp and Connie Blankenship all of Russell Springs, KY, 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

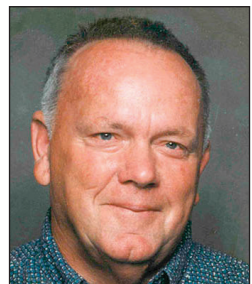
Along with his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife of 48 years, Louoma Blankenship and brother, Randall Blankenship.

Memorial service will be conducted in Kentucky at a later date.

Arrangements are under the care of Gateway Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 335 Franklin St. Clarksville, TN 37040. Phone: 931-919-2600. Online condolences may be made by visiting gatewayfh.com

## Edward Lee McGowan

SOMERSET - Edward Lee McGowan, 80, Jabez, KY passed away, Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at Russell County Hospital.



He was born September 2, 1939 to the late AG and Delima Roberts McGowan. He was a retired carpenter. He left behind the love of his life, Glenda Sue Roberts, Jabez and a special friend, Laura Jeanie Roberts, Jabez.

He is survived by a sister, Vela (Randal) Hopper, Russell Springs; four nieces; two nephews; cousins and friends, all who will mourn his passing. He will be greatly missed by all who loved him.

He is preceded in death by his parents, AG and Delima McGowan; a brother and his wife, Leland and Mary McGowan and three sisters, Phyllis, Velda and Iletta McGowan.

A private graveside service was held for the immediate family at Military Springs in Jabez with Bro. Junior Holmes officiating. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Please feel free to log onto our website at www.LakeCumberlandFuneralService.com where you can sign the online guestbook and send condolences to the family.

Lake Cumberland Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements.

Somerset - Edward Lee McGowan, 80, Jabez, KY passed away, Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at Russell County Hospital.

He was born September 2, 1939 to the late AG and Delima Roberts McGowan. He was a retired carpenter. He left behind the love of his life, Glenda Sue Roberts, Jabez and a special friend, Laura Jeanie Roberts, Jabez.

He is survived by a sister, Vela (Randal) Hopper, Russell Springs; four nieces; two nephews; cousins and friends, all who will mourn his passing. He will be greatly missed by all who loved him.

He is preceded in death by his parents, AG and Delima McGowan; a brother and his wife, Leland and Mary McGowan and three sisters, Phyllis, Velda and Iletta McGowan.

A private graveside service was held for the immediate family at Military Springs in Jabez with Bro. Junior Holmes officiating. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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Lake Cumberland Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements.

## Dorothy Wesley

JAMESTOWN - Dorothy Wesley, 84, Jamestown passed away Monday, April 13, 2020 at her residence.

She was born in Jamestown, KY on September 15, 1935, a daughter of the late Lucille (Brown) and Joe Bell.

She is survived by two daughters, Patsy Norris and Naomi Brown; a son, Ricky Craig; five sisters, Christine Norris, Janice Vine, Rita Guffey, Anna Ray, and Sue Bravard; six brothers, J.D. Bell, Eddie Bell, Roger Bell, Andy Bell, Phillip Bell, and Kenneth Bell; six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Marvin R. Craig, and Walter Wesley and sisters Alma Jones, Bessie Elmore, Mary E. Brown.

Services were private.

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## Financial Focus

### Time to "Go Green" With Your Investments?

Over the past several weeks, many of us have been working from home in response to the "social distancing" necessitated by the coronavirus. Nonetheless, we still have opportunities to get outside and enjoy Mother Nature. And now, with the 50th anniversary of Earth Day being celebrated on April 22, it's important to appreciate the need to protect our environment. Of course, you can do so in many ways – including the way you invest.

Some investors are supporting the environment through "sustainable" investing, which is often called ESG (environmental, social and corporate governance) investing. In general, it refers to investments in businesses whose products and services are considered favorable to the physical environment (such as companies that produce renewable energy or that act to reduce their own carbon footprints) or the social environment (such as firms that follow ethical business practices or pursue important societal goals, such as inclusion and pay equity). ESG investing may also screen out investments in companies that produce products some people find objectionable.

ESG investing has become popular in recent years, and not just with individuals; major institutional investors now pursue sustainability because they think it's profitable – and plenty of facts bear that out. A growing body of academic research has found a positive relationship between corporate financial performance – that is, a company's profitability – and ESG criteria.

So, although you might initially be attracted to sustainable investments because they align with your personal values, or because you want to hold companies to higher standards of corporate citizenship, it turns out that you can do well by doing good. Keep in mind, though, that sustainability, like any other criteria, can't guarantee success or prevent losses.

In any case, be aware that sustainable investing approaches can vary significantly, so you need to determine how a particular sustainable investment, or class of investments, can align with your values and fit into your overall portfolio. Specifically, how will a sustainable investment meet your needs for diversification?

For example, if you desire total control over how your money is invested, you might want to invest in a basket of individual stocks from the companies you wish to support. But if you want to achieve greater diversification, plus receive the benefits of professional management, you might want to invest in sustainable mutual funds. Be aware, though, that even though they may not market themselves as "sustainable," many more mutual funds do incorporate sustainability criteria into their investment processes. You also might consider exchange-traded funds (ETFs), which own a variety of investments, similar to regular mutual funds, but trade like stocks. ETFs often track particular indexes, so an ETF with a sustainable focus might track an index including companies that have been screened for social responsibility.

Make sure you understand the fundamentals of any sustainable investment you're considering, as well as whether it can help you work toward your long-term goals. But by "going green" with some of your investments, you can help keep the spirit of Earth Day alive every day of the year.

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