Governor Reeves, MDES launch Lost Wages Assistance Program for unemployed Mississippians Mississippi will apply for an implement the program and

rity (MDES) announced that tion is approved, MDES will

On Thursday, August 20, additional \$300 of benefits a funds will be available with-Governor Tate Reeves and week from the Lost Wages in three to four weeks. Mississippi Depart- Assistance (LWA) program. ment of Employment Secu- Once Mississippi's applica-

Nursing program achieves 100 percent pass rate on national exam

Press Release

100 percent pass rate on the Singh of Ridgeland. National Council Licensure "We really need to see sucgram options.

every one will be a fantas- during these times." tic nurse. I'm honored they The PN program prepares Place like Holmes!""

McCool; Brianna Branch of provided in the program. graduates were Erin Hopkins selection.

of Richland, Sherita Latiker The Holmes Community of Carthage, Lisa Nipper of College Practical Nursing Chatham, Jennifer Potts of (PN) program at the Attala Water Valley, Brandy Raines Center in Kosciusko had a of Pontotoc and Cherry

Examination (NCLEX-PN) cess stories like this," said exam. This was the first year Vice President for Career that the program offered both Technical Education Dr. face-to-face and hybrid pro- Amy Whittington. "While times changed drastically for "I am so incredibly proud education in the spring, this of this PN class," said Prac- Practical Nursing program tical Nursing Department demonstrated the commit-Chair Dr. Christi Blair. "For ment to excellence that is upthis class to have achieved held no matter what at Hol-100 percent NCLEX pass mes. Dr. Christi Blair does rate through this extremely an excellent job leading our tough year is amazing. They Practical Nursing program worked hard and went above as Chair. We are very proud and beyond what we asked of what this class has accomof them. I know each and plished and their dedication

chose Holmes for their nurs- students to assist in providing education. 'There's No ing general nursing care under the direction of a reg-There were 19 graduates istered nurse, licensed phytotal in the 2020 Attala Cen-sician or dentist. Intensive ter PN Class. Graduates from preparation for the NCLEXthe face-to-face program in- PN Exam and transitioning cluded Kristi Bagwell of from student to employee is

Sallis; Lexie Brown of Kos- Potential students must ciusko; Lanie Davis of Lex- have a high school diploma ington; Christina Dossett of or a High School Equiva-Winona; Jordan Eldridge of lency (HSE) certificate and Winona; Meagan Henry of provide official transcripts Carthage; LaKenya Latiker from all schools/colleges of Carthage; Carrie Lee of previously attended. Al-Kosciusko; Carley McClain though college credit is not of French Camp; Brittany required for application to McDaniel of McCool; Tif- the program, applicants with fany Sisney of Kosciusko; any college credit must have and Lanikka Thompson of a minimum cumulative GPA Durant. The hybrid program of 2.0 to be considered for

NOTICE:

If you have relatives buried at **Gages Spring Cemetery locat**ed in Durant, MS, please contact Madeline Coleman at 662-834-2344 as soon as possible.



On August 8, 2020, President Donald Trump signed a Presidential Memorandum making grant funding available to states and territories through the U.S. Department

Admission is selective based on such criteria as: ACT score; college credit GPA; current healthcare licensure - EMT, Paramedic, Certified Nursing Assistant, Surgical Technology and in-district status. College prerequisites are not re-

MARY INEZ

SHELTON SMITH

vice for Mrs. Mary Inez Shel-

ton Smith began at 2:00 p.m.,

Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at

Glenwood Cemetery in Ya-

zoo City, MS. Robert Barham

Family Funeral Home is hon-

ored to be entrusted with the

Mrs. Smith passed away

Friday, August 21, 2020

in Meridian, MS. Born on

March 18, 1924, Inez was a

longtime resident of Thorn-

ton, MS, then living in Ya-

zoo City, Ridgeland, and the

past 81/2 years, in Meridian at

Aldersgate Retirement Com-

She was a graduate of

Greenwood High School

and employed by Coca Cola

Bottling in her early years.

She spent most her life as

a homemaker on a farm in

ROBERT "NEWTON"

FOX

80, of Sallis, passed away

Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at

Funeral services were held

at 2:00 p.m., Friday, August,

21 at Jordan Funeral Home

Chapel. Burial followed at

Mizpah Cemetery. Rev. Jerry

Meggs officiated. Jordan Fu-

neral Home was in charge of

the oilfield and was in the

Robert (Pam) Fox of Sal-

lis; daughters, Debra Fox

of Madison and Teresa Fox

of Brandon; grandchildren,

Mr. Fox was retired from Fox.

his residence.

arrangements.

National Guard.

Mr. Robert "Newton" Fox,

arrangements.

Private family graveside ser-

of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 5174 (the "Stafford Act").

The Memorandum en-

ables electing states to of-

fer additional "Lost Wages Assistance" to eligible unemployed workers receiving unemployment benefits. Benefits will be available for weeks of unemployment beginning the week ending August 1, 2020, through weeks of unemployment ending no later than December 27. 2020, or when the balance in FEMA's Disaster Relief Fund (DRF) reaches \$25 billion, or when the \$44 billion from the DRF designated for LWA is exhausted, or when the state matching funds have been exhausted, which-

Chituaries

nings of dancing.

Olive Branch, Meredith

(Brandon) Dill of Madison

and Matt (Laura) Smith of

Brandon; great grandchil-

dren, Jonah, Charlie, Ella

and Georgia McCoy, Ann-

lea, Zoe and Landon Smith,

Thade Wilkinson and Savan-

nah Dill; and several neph-

ews and a niece. She was

preceded in death by her

husband Billy Martin Smith,

her parents, Ethel and Albert

Wesley Williams (Erin),

Anna Williams, Carly Tem-

ple, Gavin Fox, Willow

Fox, Courtney Blaine; great

grandchildren, J.D. Tagert

and Rhett Williams; three

nieces; six nephews; and

a host of great nieces and

Preceding him in death is

his wife Linda Fox; parents,

Robert Cecil and Katie Mae

Millwood Fox; and broth-

ers, James Fox and Buddy

Fox, Wesley Potter, Kade

online condolences

www.jordanfuneral-

Winters and David Potter.

were Tony

Pallbearers

He is survived by his son Atwood, Jayson Self, Jack

For

home.com

visit

nephews.

Thornton;

funding for these benefits bers (UCX) would also terminate upon enactment of legislation pro- Unemployment Compensaviding, due to the COVID-19 tion (PEUC) outbreak, supplemental Fedsation, or similar compensation, for unemployed or underemployed individuals.

employed due to COVID-19 receive an additional \$300 program:

- ance (UI)
- Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE)
 - Unemployment Compen-

ever occurs first. Conversely, sation for Ex-Servicemem-

from one of the following the same manner as any payprograms will be eligible to ment from one of the abovelisted programs payable for a week in the LWA FEMA the week involved for all participating claimants. • Unemployment Insur-

eral unemployment compen- ment Assistance (PUA) • Extended Benefits (EB) • Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) Mississippians who are • Self-Employment Assisunemployed or partially un- tance (SEA) Claimants do not need to and are currently receiving a file a separate application to weekly unemployment ben- receive LWA. MDES will efit amount of \$100 or more make the LWA payments in

> The \$300 LWA payment is subject to both federal and state income taxes.

• Pandemic Emergency

· Pandemic Unemploy-

To learn more about Mis-Unemployment sissippi Benefits and for additional updates and information about unemployment assistance programs in MS, visit our website at www.mdes. ms.gov.

'Durant deaths

(Continued from page 1.) Officials report that the two Malones were married but, it was understood, they were separated. Chief Johnson said the incident was a domestic dispute.

"Upon his arrival, Assistant Chief Haynes was told that suspect Freddie Malone shot victim Edna Malone," Chief Johnson said in the re-

The Holmes County Sheriff's Department and the Mississippi Bureau of Investigations also responded to

Howard added that MBI was investigating the ballistics from the scene.

When asked who shot Freddie Malone and the motive, Chief Johnson said the case was still under investi-

Chief Johnson said no other injuries were reported, no arrests were made and police are not currently looking for any suspects.

Howard also added that with the backlog of cases and the staffing shortage at the Mississippi State Crime Lab, he did not expect a report back for at least two

Official causes of death have not been determined pending state crime lab re-

She is survived by her children, Mike Dunn, Pat Dunn (Jeanne) and Carol Roark (Al). She also leaves six grandchildren, Jillian Bolton, Patrick Dunn, Hallet Graham, Joel Dunn, Liz Roark and Abbi Roark and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Saturday, August 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at Odd Fellows Cemetery in Lexington, MS. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to First United Methodist Church, 108 Tchula Street, Julie Ellison.

Shelton and nine siblings.

Holmes County. She vol-The family would like to unteered at Cruger-Tchula Academy, teaching a majorextend their heartfelt gratiette group when her daughtude to Aldersgate Retireter was a student. She was ment Community and their the owner of the Prissy Chic resident assistants for their untiring love and compaswomen's clothing store for several years in Yazoo City. sion. Also, thanks to Com-After moving to Ridgeland, passus Hospice for their loving care and attention. she was a hostess for several years at Olive Garden In lieu of flowers, memori-Restaurant. She belonged to a Bridge Club in Holmes

als may be made to Aldersgate Retirement Community, County and the Young at Chapel Fund, 6600 Poplar Heart Dance Club in Green-Springs Drive, Meridian, wood, where she and her MS 39305 or to ALSAC/St. husband enjoyed many eve-Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, She is survived by her Memphis, TN 38105 or ondaughter Ethel Ann (Jeff) line at www.stjude.org in McCoy of Meridian and honor of her great grandson son Mart (Fran) Smith of grandchildren, Kyle (Angie) McCoy and **FAY BROWN HART** Leah (Josh) Lack, both of

Fay Brown Hart, 95, of Ruston, LA, formerly of Lexington and Brandon passed away Thursday, August 20, 2020.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at the Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery.

ELAINE DUNN

Elaine Dunn, age 89, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at her home in Lexington, MS. She was preceded in death by her parents Choice and Elsie Beckham and her husband

Lexington, MS 39095.

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