

Merle Crouch Edwards, 96

Merle Crouch Edwards of Greensburg, daughter of the late Oliver Owen Crouch and Vallie Rice Crouch, was born Monday, April 9, 1924 in Taylor County, and departed this life Sunday, April 4, 2021 in Greensburg. She was 96 years, 11 months, and 26 days of age.

She had made a profession of faith in Christ, and was owner of Mitchell & Edwards clothing store for 55 plus years.

She united in marriage to William Richard “Bill” Edwards August 3, 1951 who preceded her in death on April 15, 2007.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Julia and Steve Hartfield of Greensburg; three grandchildren, Matt Edwards of Covington, Kristen Wheat and her husband, Jason, and Meg Lewis and her husband, Chris all of Greensburg; three great-grandchildren, Blakelee Wheat, Griffin Lewis, and Ryan Kate Wheat all of Greensburg; a special caretaker, Janet Wright of Greensburg; and a host of nieces, nephews, other rela-



Merle Crouch Edwards

tives and friends.

Mrs. Edwards was also preceded in death by two sisters and a brother, Nell Ramsey, Dick Crouch, and Jane Miller.

The funeral services were held Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at the Cowherd and Parrott Funeral Home with burial in the Greensburg Cemetery. Bro. Todd Young officiated.

Pallbearers: Jason Wheat, Chris Lewis, Matt Edwards, Terry Pennington, Dustin Shofner, Kobie Wood.

Honorary pallbearers: Wayne Edwards, Mike Blakeman.

For online condolences log onto: www.cowherdandparrott.com or Facebook.

Henry Leslie Goff, 76

Henry Leslie Goff, the son of the late Jesse Sr., and Rachel (Tucker) Goff was born Nov. 20, 1944 in Green County, and departed this life Monday, April 5, 2021 in Campbells-ville at the Taylor Regional Hospital. He was 76 years of age.

He had made a profession of faith in Christ and attended the Elk Horn Baptist Church.

Henry was a former city councilman, a business owner, completed rebuilt vehicle titles, and had worked for Goff Mobile Homes.

He is survived by two daughters, Leslie Ann Rhodes and husband David Lee and Susan Gayle Lackey and husband Dylan all of Campbellsville; two sisters, Elizabeth Goff Humphress of Campbellsville and Beverly Drummond of Liberty; five grandchildren, Whitney (Ryan) Tungate, Rachel (Raphael) Cunha, Jennifer (Cody) Berry, Austin Herron and Ali Herron; five great-grandchildren, Bradyn Rhodes, Lia Cox, Carson Tungate, Harper Berry, Francesca Cunha and a host of other relatives and



Henry Leslie Goff

friends.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Thomas “Red” Goff and Jesse H. Goff, Jr., and a brother and sister in infancy.

The funeral service were held Thursday, April 8, 2021 in the chapel of the L.R. Petty Funeral Home with burial in the Campbellsville Memorial Gardens. Dr. Brian Rafferty officiated.

Memorials are suggested to the Kosair Charities which can be made at the funeral home.

For more information concerning this obituary, contact the funeral home or visit their website at www.lrpetty.com.

Jerry William Boyd, 60

Jerry William Boyd of Greensburg, son of the late Hezzie Boyd and Oma Mae Sturgill Rattliff, was born Monday, Jan. 23, 1961 in Prestonsburg, and departed this life Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at his home. He was 60 years, 2 months, and 14 days of age.

He had made a profession of faith in Christ and was a member of Harmony Baptist Church. He was retired from factory work.

Mr. Boyd united in marriage to Paula Brown Boyd June 25, 1999 who preceded him in death April 25, 2020.

Survivors include a son, Randy Lee Boyd of North Carolina; a sister, Leona Boyd Doughty of Ohio; a brother, David Rattliff of Edmonton; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mr. Boyd was also preceded in death by



Jerry William Boyd

a brother, Johnnie Darvin Boyd.

Graveside services were held Friday, April 9, 2021 at the Boyd Family Cemetery with Bro. Twyman Davis officiating.

Cowherd and Parrott Funeral Home in charge of the service arrangements.

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Donna Nolena Bryant, 74

Donna Nolena Bryant of Hiseville, daughter of the late Virgil Bryant and Pearly Evelyn Roberts Bryant, was born Saturday, June 8, 1946 in Adair County, and departed this life Thursday, April 8, 2021 in Hiseville. She was 74 years and 10 months of age.

She had made a profession of faith in Christ. She was a retired caretaker and had also worked as a machine operator for Fruit of the Loom.

Survivors include two daughters and a son-in-law, Sheila E. and Bradley Hardesty of Louisville and Deborah L. Montgomery of Peru, Ind.; five grandchildren, Jonathan Montgomery, Bradley Montgomery, Jacqueline Montgomery, Kimberly Montgomery and Shinead Montgomery; 13 great grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; two brothers, Edward Bryant of Columbia and Arnold Bryant of Cave City; four sisters, Rachel Rock of Center, Carol Riddle of Glasgow, Brenda Bryant of Columbia, and Janice Bryant of Columbia; and a host of other relatives and friends.



Donna Bryant

Ms. Bryant was also preceded in death by a grandchild, Eric Montgomery; a great grandchild, Erica Montgomery; four brothers and two sisters, Edrol Bryant, Willie Bryant, Jack Bryant, Wiburn Bryant, Lettie Mae Bryant and Mary Katherine Bryant.

Private graveside services will be held for Donna Nolena Bryant at the Bethlehem Cemetery in Greensburg. Cowherd & Parrott Funeral Home in Greensburg in charge of the service arrangements. Jonathan Montgomery officiating.

For online condolences log onto: cowherdandparrott.com or Facebook.

Charles “Abner” Hastings, 78

Charles “Abner” Hastings, 78, Horse Cave, passed away Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at the Medical Center, Bowling Green.

He was born Jan. 13, 1943 in Tompkinsville to the late Melville and Lura Crowe Hastings. He was married to Kathleen Sylvester Hastings who preceded him in death.

He was a retired hammer operator for Clifford-Jacobs Forging in Illinois, owner of Abner Sports Cards in Cave City and loved gardening.

Survivors include two sons, Charles W. Hastings (Amy), Seminole, Fla. and John Hastings (Teresa), Greensburg; a brother, Ernest Goode, Tolono, Ill.; a sister-in-law, Pat Hastings; four grandchildren, Ashton Hastings, Lura Kay Hastings, John Tyler Hastings, Jonathon McAllister;



Charles Hastings

seven great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, James Hastings.

Graveside services were held Sunday, April 11 at Campground Cemetery.

Bob Hunt Funeral Chapel, Cave City, were in charge of arrangements; <http://bobhuntfuneralchapel.com>.

Ronnie Dwayne Bell, 74

Ronnie Dwayne Bell of Greensburg, son of the late Ernest Bell, Sr. and Cornelia Milby Bell, was born Friday, Dec. 27, 1946 in Green County, and departed this life Thursday, April 8, 2021 at Norton’s Hospital in Jefferson County. He was 74 years, 3 months and 12 days of age.

He had made a profession of faith in Christ. He was retired from the Gates Rubber Company after being employed as a forklift operator for 28 years, and was a veteran having served in the United States Army for three years. Mr. Bell was also an avid U.K. fan and Nascar fan.

He is survived by his wife of 17 years, Thomas Frances Carter Bell having united in marriage March 14, 2004.

Other survivors include a brother, Ernest Bell, Jr. of Louisville and a host of other



Ronnie Dwayne Bell

relatives and friends.

Graveside services were held Monday at the Bethlehem Cemetery with full military honors conducted by the Marion County Honor Guard. Bro. Clifton Sullivan officiated. Cowherd & Parrott Funeral Home in Greensburg was in charge of the service arrangements.

Pallbearers: Garvis Bishop, Terry Bishop, Billy Curry, Ronnie Bishop.

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“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”
Proverbs 22:6 NIV

All societies incorporate moral instruction into the education of children. In earlier times it was common for schoolchildren to learn to read using the Bible, and a close reading of the Book of Proverbs makes evident that scripture was intended to be used for moral instruction. Modern secular education has in many ways been tied to the economic engine of capitalism, and thus we see the importance of the STEM disciplines (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Teaching those disciplines is important for our economy, but if it neglects the moral education of children, then arguably our children will be missing a very important part—perhaps the most important part—of their education, that is, the part which helps them develop into good and decent people. This is not to say

that a “secular” education cannot inculcate values, but many parents feel that the moral part of their children’s education has been so neglected by the public-school system that they prefer to put their children into religious-affiliated schools or homeschool them. All teachers have an opportunity to lead by example, and thus public schools can play a vital role in the moral education of our children. We do well to consider carefully how best to raise our children to be both productive and morally upstanding members of society. And remember that your moral education doesn’t stop when you graduate from high school.
—Christopher Simon

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