


Obituaries




she helped with Student Council, Bookkeeper, and Sports Secretary.

Tammy had a passion for writing, especially poems for her loved ones on special occasions. She had a talent for gardening and spent much of her free time in her greenhouse with her husband growing whatever seeds they could get their hands on. She enjoyed having tea parties with her niece, Nora Katherine Cheatham, who referred to her as "Tambam". She loved teaching her daughter, Nikki Boutwell, how to cook and spending time together. Tammy had a gift for music. She enjoyed playing the piano and singing. She had such a strong faith that sustained her through numerous health battles.

Tammy is survived by her husband, Paul C. Merchant of Greenwood, her daughter, Gabrielle Nicole (Nikki) Merchant Boutwell and Trent Boutwell of Sartia, her mother, Peggy Jo Killebrew of Lexington, her brothers, James Thad and Kelly Montone Killebrew of Lexington, and John Travis and Joyce Spencer Killebrew of Lexington, her sister, Carrie Rose Cheatham and Swayze of Yazoo City, and her nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A graveside service at Coxburg Methodist Church took place at 12:00 on Friday, January 29, 2021.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to: St. Jude Hospital or Blair E. Batson Children's Hospital.

TAMARA "TAMMY" JO KILLEBREW MERCHANT

On Monday, January 25, 2021, Tamara "Tammy" Jo Killebrew Merchant went to be with her Lord and Savior at age 57.

Tammy was born on August 31, 1963 in Lexington, MS to Peggy Jo White Killebrew and the late James Edward Killebrew. Growing up on Horseshoe, Tammy graduated from Cruger-Tchula Academy and furthered her education at Holmes Junior College and received her degree.

On October 4th, 1986, she married Paul Christopher Merchant at Horseshoe Baptist Church. In 1997, they welcomed home their daughter in Memphis, TN.

Tammy was a loving wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, and daughter and sister-in-"love".

While residing in Bartlett, TN, Tammy worked as an associate accountant at Trammell Crow Company. Upon moving to Greenwood, MS, she worked at Central Holmes Christian School, where

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Joe Morgan, Jr. had a stroke at the brain. Saturday morning, January 23, his father found him unresponsive on the floor of his bathroom. The emergency ambulance picked him up. He was carried to one of the hospitals in Jackson. He died. I got the message of his death Sunday, January 24. He was funeralized Saturday, January 30 at the family cemetery near Wade Chapel CME Church. Joe was my next door neighbor. Keep the Morgan and Wright families uplifted in prayer.

"Thank you" goes to whoever gave the sweet potatoes Friday, January 22, on the campus of Saints Academy. I imagine a lot of people did not know about the sweet potato give away.

MARSHALL LEWIS HUGHES

Marshall Lewis Hughes, 84, of Tchula passed away at his residence on Wednesday Jan. 27, 2021. Marshall was born to the union of Johns S. and Eva Stevens Hughes who preceded him in death. He had worked as a bookkeeper for Ables Ford Company in Tchula for 30 Years and then for Hughes Farms. He was a member of the Horseshoe Baptist Church.

Marshall is survived by his brother Carl Victor Hughes and wife Liz of Tchula, MS and many nieces and nephews.

Marshall was also preceded in death by his sisters, Clara McBride, Gladys Self, Carrie Alderman and Marjorie Cox and brothers, Edward, William, John S. and Fredrick Hughes.

A graveside service was held on Sunday January 31 from the Pine Crest Cemetery in Tchula, MS at 2:00 p.m.



Pearce Edwards showed the Supreme Bull in the 2021 Holmes County 4-H Livestock Show held Saturday, January 30 at the Holmes County Livestock Barn in Lexington. (Photo by Julie Ellison)



Jordan Brooks won Goat Showmanship in the 2021 Holmes County 4-H Livestock Show held Saturday, January 30 at the Holmes County Livestock Barn in Lexington. Tyler Branch is shown holding Jordan's winning buckle. (Photo by Julie Ellison)

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FBC DURANT
 First Baptist Church in Durant will resume with regular worship services, Sunday school and evening services on Sunday, February 7. Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m., worship is at 11 a.m. and evening service starts at 5 p.m.

Homemade entries must be delivered to the church fellowship hall by 4:30 p.m. All are invited.
 2-4,11

WEAR RED DAY
 Baptist Men's Day is set for Sunday, February 14. Men of all ages are invited to sing in the morning worship choir. Please meet in the choir room before 11 a.m. service. The Men's Cake Bake-Off Contest will be held after evening worship.

The Lexington Mayoral Health Council reminds everyone to wear red on Friday, February 5. That day is National Wear Red Day. Every first Friday in February is aimed to bring attention and awareness to women's health, mainly heart diseases.
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