

OBITUARIES

Loretta Roy Thomas

Loretta Roy Thomas, 77, Dunnville, passed away Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at Fair Oaks Health and Rehab.

Born on May 22, 1944, in Russell County, Kentucky, she was the daughter of Robert and Margie Withers Roy. She worked at Liberty Sewing Factory for eighteen years and was a member of Dunnville Church of God. She was also a seamstress.

She is survived by a son, Matthew David (Aimee) Thomas, Russell Springs; a daughter, Loretta Charlene (Doug) Lawhorn, Liberty; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two brothers, Eldon Roy, Bronston, and Cecil Roy, Dunnville, and two sisters, Mary Rose Roy and Roxanne Roy-Holt Read, both of Russell Springs.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, David L. Thomas, who passed away May 24, 2014, and a brother, Jimmy Roy.

Funeral services were held 11:00 a.m., Friday, February 18, 2022, at McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with Bro. Ted Stidham officiating. Burial followed in Thomas Ridge Cemetery.



Janice Thomas

Janice Thomas, 69, Russell Springs, passed away Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at Russell County Hospital. There are no services planned. Wilson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements

Roy Luttrell

Roy Luttrell, 83, passed from this life after an extended illness on February 14, 2022, at home surrounded by his family. Funeral services were held 12:00 p.m., EST, Thursday, February 17, 2022, at Bernard Funeral Home, with Calvin Kerr and Eric Bennett presiding. Interment was in Wilkerson Cemetery.

Those who wish to remember Roy in a special way may make gifts in his memory to Hospice of Lake Cumberland, 100 Parkway Drive, Somerset, KY 42503.

Sherry Bradley

Sherry Bradley, 65, Jamestown, passed away Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville. The family chose care and cremation. H.E. Pruitt Memory Chapel in Jamestown was in charge of arrangements.

Wayne Hobbs

Mr. Wayne Hobbs, 73, Gray, KY passed away Thursday, February 17, 2022 at his residence.

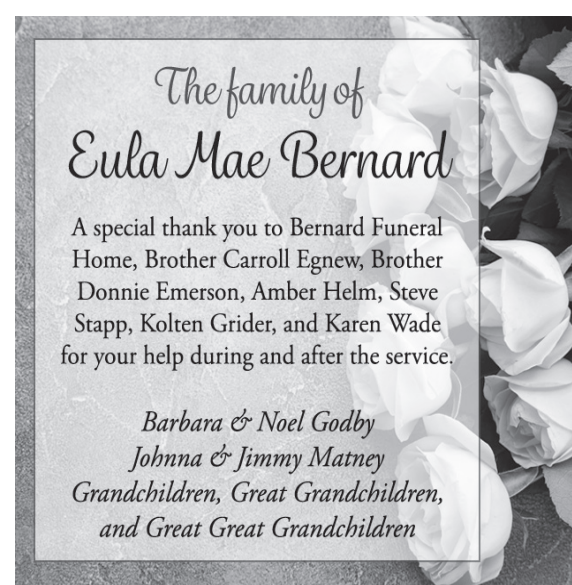
Funeral services were held 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at the Laurel Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Bobby Joe Eaton and Bro. Hershel Walker officiating. Burial followed in the Calvary Cemetery in Corbin with the local D.A.V. in charge of military honors.

Antoine R. Wooldridge

Antoine R. Wooldridge, 45, Nicholasville, passed away Sunday, February 6, 2022, at his residence. Funeral services were held 1:00 p.m., Saturday, February 12, 2022, at H.E. Pruitt Memory Chapel, in Jamestown with Rev. A.R. Taylor, Jr. officiating. Interment was in Greens Chapel Cemetery in Jamestown.

Arlene Morton

Arlene Morton, 80, Jamestown, passed away Saturday, February 19, 2022, at her residence. No services planned. Wilson Funeral Home in Russell Springs is in charge of arrangements.



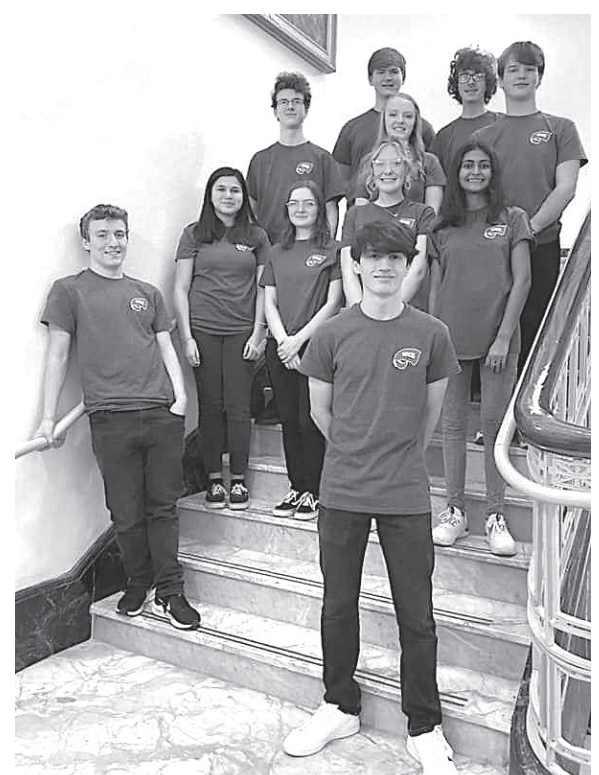
The family of
Eula Mae Bernard

A special thank you to Bernard Funeral Home, Brother Carroll Egnew, Brother Donnie Emerson, Amber Helm, Steve Stapp, Kolten Grider, and Karen Wade for your help during and after the service.

Barbara & Noel Godby
Johnna & Jimmy Matney
Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren,
and Great Great Grandchildren

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Laker Band At WKU



Several members of the Russell County Mighty Laker Band recently participated in the WKU Honors Band at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green. Performers included: Adam St. Pierre, junior, trumpet, Jessie Salazar, sophomore, French horn, Katie St. Pierre, senior, French horn, Ashten Wall, junior, bass clarinet, Jill Patel, junior, clarinet, Chance Betts-Jimenez, sophomore, tuba, Alex Thomas, senior, trumpet, Sally Wilson, senior, percussionist, Elliott Birge, junior, tenor sax, Dante Eads, freshman, alto sax, Michael Needham, senior, alto sax. (Photo submitted)

Ricky Lee Johnson

Ricky Lee Johnson, 60, Russell Springs, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2022, at his home, with his loving wife of 34 years by his side.

Born May 17, 1961, in Russell Springs, he was the son of Nova Wright Johnson and the late Arlo Johnson. Besides his father, he was preceded in death by one brother, Lonnie Johnson, and one sister, Peggy Johnson Stratton.

He married Megan Lawson on September 11, 1987, in Russell Springs. He was a member of Welfare Church. He loved being outdoors, especially going hunting and fishing. He loved his grandbabies. He was always staying busy; you couldn't keep up with him. Whatever he did, he gave his all.

He is survived by his wife, Megan; daughter, Jennifer (and David) Sneed, Columbia; daughter, Cheryl (and fiancée Eric Grider), Russell Springs, and one son, Thomas (and Robyn) Johnson, Russell Springs. In addition to his wife and three children, he is survived by his mother, Nova Johnson, Jamestown; six grandchildren, Braxton Withers, Stevie Kate Grider, Finn Johnson, Reagan, Maddie and Eve Sneed, and his siblings, Ronald (and Deidre) Johnson, Dallas (and Jean) Johnson, Marvin (and Ann) Johnson, Betty (and Steve) McBeath, and Sandra (and Cliff) Honaker, all of Russell Springs.

Funeral services were held 2:00 p.m., Saturday, February 19, 2022, at Bernard Funeral Home with Bro. Darrin Blair officiating. Interment was in Salem Cemetery.

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Hidden Treasures with Love

THE CONSEQUENCES OF SIN

Isa-59-2-But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

Titus-1-5-Unto the pure all things are pure, but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure, but even their mind and conscience is defiled. They profess that they know God, but in works they deny him, being abominable and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

Uriah, one of David's elite warriors, was fighting the enemy of God, while Uriah's wife and David committed adultery. David then had Uriah killed and took Uriah's wife to be his wife. David thought his sins were hid until the Prophet Nathan told David a poor man had one little lamb and a rich man took his lamb and killed the poor man. David said, who is this man, I will kill him! Nathan then replied, you are the man! Nathan told David the consequences of his sins. He said, "The sword that killed Uriah will never depart from your house." David's daughter Tamar was raped by her half brother Amnon. Tamar's full brother Absalom had Amnon killed.

David's child conceived in adultery died. His son Absalom was killed by Joab. King Solomon, David's son, killed his brother Adonijah. The chronicles of the sword that killed Uriah is the main focus of this treasure.

King Solomon followed in his father's lustful path having seven hundred wives, princesses and 300 concubines, thus building temples for his wives to worship other gods. Bringing judgement upon Israel, Solomon could have been called the King of Compromise. Just as many today are compromising with worldly pleasure leaving the path of the strait and narrow. America your abortion tables and ungodly laws will bring judgement!

**The Consequences of Sin by Mike Willen with Love!
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Financial Focus

WATCH FOR CHANGES WHEN FILING TAXES

As you prepare your tax returns before the April 18 filing deadline, you'll want to be up to date on changes that could affect you. Here are some issues to discuss with your tax professional:

COVID-19-related distributions and recontributions – If you took a coronavirus-related distribution (withdrawal) from a retirement account, such as a 401(k) or IRA, in 2020 and chose to spread the amount equally over three years, you need to include the relevant part of the distribution on your 2021 tax return, so you should bring your 2020 Form 1099-R to your tax advisor. You can recontribute your distributions back into any retirement account eligible to receive a rollover for up to three years after you received the initial distribution. So, if you haven't already done so, you can still recontribute to your 401(k) or IRA up until the April 18 filing deadline – and by doing so, you could reduce your 2021 taxes. (Your tax professional will know what forms and documentation you'll need for this recontribution.)

Return of RMDs – In 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act suspended the required minimum distributions (RMDs) from retirement accounts that people over a certain age typically must take. But RMDs returned for 2021 and had to be taken by Dec. 31, unless your birthdate is between July 1 and Dec. 31, 1949, in which case your starting date was delayed until April 1, 2022. So, if you had an RMD for 2021, bring your 2020 Form 5498 or your 2021 retirement account statements to your tax professional to calculate the required RMD. You'll also want to provide your 2021 Form 1099-R to report the amount of RMDs taken.

Charitable contributions – The CARES Act authorized a deduction for cash contributions to qualified charities for those who don't itemize. For 2020, the maximum deduction was \$300; this provision has been extended for the 2021 tax year, with a new provision allowing a \$600 deduction for joint filers. If you do itemize deductions, be aware that the CARES Act also suspended the 60% of adjusted gross income limit for cash gifts in 2020, a change that has been carried over to 2021.

Child tax credit – For 2021, you can claim up to \$3,600 for children younger than 6 and up to \$3,000 for children ages 6 to 17. This tax credit is refundable, which means you can receive it even if it's larger than the amount of taxes you owe. The credit phases out at certain income limits.

Child and dependent care credit – This credit is more substantial in 2021 – up to \$4,000 for one qualifying person and up to \$8,000 for two or more. This credit is also potentially refundable, but it phases out differently than in previous years, so you'll want to go over your dependent-care expenses carefully with your tax professional.

And last, but certainly not least, review your IRA contributions. There aren't any changes for 2022, but you can still fund your traditional or Roth IRA for the 2021 tax year up until the April 18 deadline.

See your tax professional soon to ensure you've got everything in order. Staffing shortages at the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), combined with a heavy workload due to pandemic-related programs, may slow down processing of returns, so consider getting your taxes done as soon as possible – especially if you're anticipating a refund.

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