

# OBITUARIES

## Tracy M. Thomas

Tracy M. Thomas, 87, Russell Springs, passed away Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at Russell County Hospital.



He was born in Casey County on March 26, 1934, son of the late John Henry and Delphia Harris Thomas. He married Jewell Minton on September 26, 1951, in Russell Springs. Six children were born to their union. He worked for and retired from the state of Kentucky Highway Department. He farmed before and after retirement. He enjoyed being with his grandkids. He was baptized into the Patterson Chapel Church of Christ congregation only two weeks after his wife, Jewell, was baptized. He loved his chewing tobacco.

He is survived by his wife of over 70 years, Jewell Thomas; sons, Jerry (and Stacey) Thomas, Columbia, and Jackie (and Jeannie) Thomas and Andy (and Andrea) Thomas, both of Russell Springs; daughters, Geniece Thomas, of Nancy, Linda (and Tim) Gregg, Knoxville, Tennessee, and Brenda (and Larry) Phillips, Russell Springs; brother, Killus Thomas, Russell County; sisters, Lucille (and Gerald) Burton, Casey County, and Olivia Luttrell, Russell Springs; grandchildren, Stacy, Taylor, Derek, Cameron, Aquinna, Jessica, Bethany, Andrew, Nick, Heather, Timmy and Cathy; eleven great-grandchildren, and his sister-in-law, Fayrene Thomas.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Donald Thomas, and an older sister who died in infancy.

Funeral services were held 2:00 p.m., CST, Friday, March 25, 2022, at Bernard Funeral Home, with Bro. Gerald Burton and Bro. Jerry Burton officiating. Burial followed in Wilkerson Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made at the Bank of Jamestown to the Wilkerson Cemetery Fund account.

## Evelyn F. McFall

Evelyn F. McFall, 98, Jamestown, passed away Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at Jean Waddle Care Center in Somerset, KY.

Funeral services were held 11:00 am Saturday, March 19, 2022 at Mt. Hope Separate Baptist Church, with burial in the Rexroat Cemetery, Jamestown. Bro. Randy Brown and Bro. Bradley Jeffries officiated.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of a donation to Rexroat Cemetery (these can be left at Mt. Hope Separate Baptist Church or mailed to % Connie Miller, P.O. Box 187, Jamestown, KY) or Gideons International.

H E Pruitt Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

## Timothy F. Norris

Timothy F. Norris, 67, Jamestown, passed away Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at Russell County Hospital.

Graveside services were held 2:00 pm, Saturday, March 19, 2022 at the Jamestown Cemetery with Bro. Phillip Miller officiating.

Burial was in the Jamestown Cemetery.

H E Pruitt Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

## Mitchell Keith Polston

Mitchell Keith Polston, 72, Jamestown, passed away Friday, March 25, 2022, at University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

Cremation rites were honored. No services will be held.

Bernard Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. An online guestbook is available at [www.bernardfuneralhome.com](http://www.bernardfuneralhome.com).

# RCEA EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Marisa Popplewell was named the Russell County Education Association (RCEA) Classified Employee of the Month at the recent Russell County School Board meeting.

Marisa has been teaching for 31 years, and currently holds the position of Individual Intellectual Assessment Specialist (2001-present).

Marisa taught middle school science and social studies

from 1994-2001. From 1990-1994, she worked in the PACE - Russell County Schools-Parent and Child Education Program.

She graduated from Lindsey Wilson College with a BA in Middle Grades Education and from Western Kentucky University with a MA and Rank I in School Guidance Counseling, as well as, completing her Individual Intellectual Assessment Specialist Certification.

## Weekly Stats for the Bowlerettes



March 3, 2022 - Week 9	Won	Lost
1. Dale's Diesel	22.5	10.5
2. Reel Java	25.0	11.0
3. Pin Spinners	23.5	12.5
4. Balls of Fire	23.0	13.0
5. Alley Cats	17.0	19.0
6. Do Betters	16.0	20.0
7. Lucky Strikes	13.0	23.0

High Team Scores		
High Game Scratch-	Alley Cats	699
High Game Hdcp. -	Alley Cats	821
High Series Scratch-	Alley Cats	1989
High Series Hdcp. -	Dale's Diesel	2383

High Individual Scores		
High Game Scratch	Kathy Burton	227
High Scratch Series	Kathy Burton	608
High Hdcp Game	Kathy Burton	238
High Hdcp Series	Linda Edwards	642

Submitted by Linda Johnson, Sec/Treas.

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## Financial Focus

### BUSINESS OWNERS' ISSUES GO BEYOND 'MOM AND POP' LABEL

If you own a small business, you typically don't get a lot of recognition – so you may be pleased to learn that March 29 is National Mom and Pop Business Owners Day. You might not necessarily think of your business as a “Mom and Pop” operation, but it certainly contributes to the well-being of your family now, and possibly to that of future generations, too – if you make the right moves.

Depending on the nature of your business, you may have spent the past several months more concerned about today than tomorrow, given the serious economic repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic, which is still placing stress on a great many business owners across the country.

If your business has been adversely affected by the pandemic, you might be eligible for a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan. To learn more, and to start the application process, visit the Small Business Administration website at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov). You have until May 31 to apply for a PPP loan. Other relief also may be available.

But regardless of whether you apply for one of these loans, you can take other steps to help maximize the benefits you get from your business – and perhaps even extend its longevity.

Here are a few suggestions:

Establish a retirement plan. If you don't already have a retirement plan, it's never too late to set one up. As a business owner, you have several options, including an “owner-only” 401(k), a SIMPLE IRA and a SEP-IRA. All these plans are fairly easy to establish and can offer potential tax advantages, as well as providing you with a source of retirement income in the future. You may want to work with a financial professional to pick the right plan for your needs.

Coordinate your business assets with your investment portfolio. Like most business owners, you may have a great deal of your personal wealth tied up in your business. And, as the past year has certainly shown, this can be risky. Consequently, you'll need to weigh this risk factor when deciding on investing in your retirement plan or in other investment accounts. This doesn't mean you should try to avoid all risk only by pursuing the most conservative vehicles – which would be counterproductive to achieving enough growth to meet your retirement income goals – but you will need to pay close attention to your investment mix to ensure it provides you with an appropriate balance to what you've invested in your business.

Develop a transition strategy. How will you make the transition from business owner to the next phase of your life? Will you sell the business outright? Will you gradually transfer it to a family member? If so, what mechanism will you use? It's a good idea to have these types of plans in place well before you need to enact them, so you may want to consult with your financial, legal and tax advisors soon.

A “Mom and Pop” business may sound quaint and carefree – but, as you know, running a business of any size can be an all-consuming endeavor and always involves significant financial concerns. Get the help you need to meet these challenges.

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## Community Calendar

**Barbecue Fundraiser**  
 Happy Hawg BBQ & Russell County Band. Pulled Pork Sandwich, Chips, Drink, and Dessert \$6. April 4, 2022 until 2 PM CST. All large orders must be turned in by 4/1. Pre-orders are preferred. For call in orders or questions, please contact Niki Shields at 270-205-8914. Fax orders at 270-866-5155.

### Obituary Policy:

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## Hidden Treasures with Love

### THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST

John-17-1-These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:

John-18-12-Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him, And led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year.

John 19-14-And it was the preparation of the Passover, and about the sixth hour and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King. But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him.

Political ignorance and religious hypocrisy unaware that they were making preparations to offer up the human sacrifice that would become the new Passover Lamb of God, Thank you Jesus!

1Cor-5-7-Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

From the garden of Gethsemane to a whipping post and on to Calvary where the preparation of our Passover Lamb of God was prepared to take away the sins of his people. His passion highlighted as he hang on an old cross and said, Father forgive them, for they know not what they do. The highlight of his passion-Forgiveness!

The vein in the temple torn from top to bottom, thus signifying the end of the old and the beginning of a new covenant. By the sure mercies of God, our Savior was resurrected the third day. The full moon, April 16, can be a reminder of the memorial given to us by God. A date to remember forever!

Exodus 12-14-And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

The communion and the foot washing this year should occur the evening of April 16. The movie, The Passion of Christ, when Christ was in the Garden in the movie, the moon was full! A reminder of his memorial in memory of how he suffered for me, I can never forget! Such love, such passion! Such Forgiveness!

The Passion of Christ by Mike Willen with Love!