

James Lapsley Wilson and his South Main Street home.

Photo submitted

History of J. L. Wilson

James Lapsley Wilson, age 80, died suddenly at his home in Greensburg on Thursday, December 4, 1941 after suffering a heart attack.

Mr. Wilson had always been very active in the business life of Greensburg.

He became engaged in the pharmacy business and operated his first store in town located on the corner of the Public Square and the west side of North Main Street beginning about 1890. In 1904, the drug store was moved to the west side of the square. Wilson retired in

February, 1931. At that time, he sold his half interest of the Wilson & Howell Drug Company to partner, James Hugh Howell, who had joined the business in 1928.

J. L. Wilson was involved with several other local businesses and groups over the

When still a young man, he was elected to the office of Superintendent of Schools in Green County and held the office from 1886 to 1890.

He was an editor of the Greensburg Times newspaper which began in the late 1800s and held a half interest in the Wilson Milling Company in Greensburg until selling his share in 1915 to partner and distant cousin, David T. Wilson.



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In the early 1920s, Wilson partnered with James Benjamin Mitchell and Idella Edwards to establish the Mitchell Company. He sold his share in 1933 to Ray Shuffett.

Wilson was one of the officers of the Greensburg Deposit Bank, serving as director and vice-president of the bank before he was elected president at the death of John A. Hobson in May of 1939.

He served as a member of an early version of the county's fair association, was appointed as representative of the Kentucky Children's Home Society of Lyndon for Green County, and served on the local Civil Works Administration Board & Relief Committee.

At the age of 30, Mr. Wilson married a young widow, Bettie H. Sidebottom. They were wed May 12, 1891 at Allendale by James M. Walton. Bettie was the daughter of James A. Howell and Elizabeth "Betsy" Ann Salsman Howell. She had previously married L. E. Sidebottom in 1882; he died December, 1886.

The Wilsons lived in a large brick home in Greensburg located on the corner of South

Main Street and West Columbia Avenue. Even though the couple did not have children, they were hardly lonely in their home. Living with them in 1900 was Mr. Wilson's brother, Edward, and two boarders. In 1910, a cousin and three boarders were there.

The Wilson home, beginning in the mid-1950s, housed the McKinney Funeral Home until it was torn down in October of 1961 to make way for a new Greensburg post

The untimely death of Mr. Wilson in 1941 came as a great shock not only to his immediate family and friends but to the whole county.

Wilson had complained for a few days of not feeling well but continued about his regular duties. He retired to bed Wednesday night, then just past midnight, Mrs. Wilson was attracted to his bedside by a noise he was making and found him in a cold sweat. Before she could do anything to help, he murmured, "Now I lay me –," and passed away.

James Lapsley Wilson was born in the Gresham area of Green County on December 20, 1861. He was the oldest son of Hugh Walker Wilson and Lucy D. Craddock Wilson.

Surviving were his wife, Bettie Howell Wilson, and two sisters and two broth-

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ers, Sam Wilson of Columbia, William Wilson of Camner, and Mrs. W. A. Russell and Mrs. J. F. Pendleton of Greensburg.

Wilson's funeral was conducted at the Presbyterian Church at Greensburg with burial in the City Cemetery.

The list of pallbearers was a who's who of Greensburg businessmen. Active pallbearers were Hugh Howell, Walton Burress, Henry Durham, Walter Mitchell, William Howell, and Tom Burress. Honorary pallbearers were H. É. Shively, E. G. Dobson, J. F. Miller, Dr. H. B. Simpson, Dr. J. C. Graham, Joe Kessler, Dr. S. J. Simmons, Ray Shuffett, J. B. Mitchell, Joe Perry, Ned Higgason, Walter Milby, C. H. Noggle, E. V. Taylor, Monroe Shreve, Ralph Vaughn, Tom Shreve, Lee Durham, J. H. Woodward, Pharis Pierce, G. B. Taylor, Avery Shuffett, W. C. Marshall, Chess Whitlock, J. W. Cox,

and Hobart Durham.

89th Birthday!



Photo submitted

Garnieta Squires celebrated her 89th birthday with family June 6. She has four children, Sandy Mike, Rick and Jill- 5 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild. This Mother's Day Garnieta was granted the Mother of The Year by her church, Jones Chapel U.M. She enjoyed her birthday celebration surrounded by her family and loved ones.

LIVING HISTORY WEEKEND

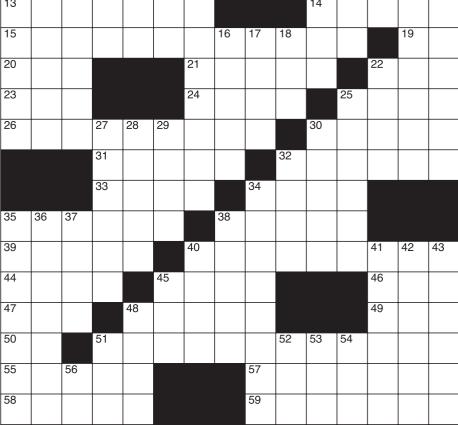
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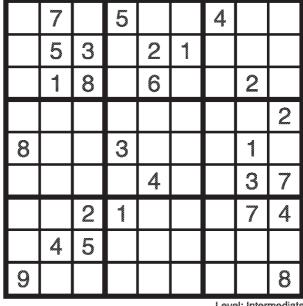
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Crossword Puzzle





Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Half-conscious states
- 8. Unnatural 13. Deep regret
- 14. Rogue
- 15. Took without permis-
- sion
- 19. An alternative 20. After B
- 21. Partner to "flowed"
- 22. The best day of the
- week (abbr.)
- 23. Helps you hear
- 24. Egyptian river
- 25. Lake ___, one of the
- Great
- 26. Make free from bacteria 30. Indigenous peoples of
- central Canada 31. Sanctuaries in Greek
- temples
- 32. Most unclothed
- 33. NJ senator Booker
- 34. Tibetan lake
- 35. Desecrate something sacred
- 38. John , English educator |467-|5|9
- 39. Obtains in return for

- 40. Views 44. Rugged cliff
- 45. Not quiet
- 46. Body part
- 47. Newt 48. German city
- 49. A way to save money 50. NBC's Roker
- 51. Dire Straits frontman
- 55. Actress Lathan
- 57. Most meager
- 58. Poems
- 59. Companions

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Draws over 2. Recur
- 3. Current unit
- 4. Neither
- Certified Radio Operator

- (abbr.)
- 6. Power of perception
- 7. Peace
- 8. Supplemented with dif-
- ficulty
- 9. The last section or part of anything
- 10. Dorm worker 11. Bones
- 48. American actor Lukas 51. Partner to cheese 52. Some are covert 53. Political action com
 - mittee

43. Hurts

54. To and

16. Spanish island

22. Untethered

25. Print errors

32. Type of tie

35. Die

begin

17. The skill to do some-

27. The sport of engaging

in contests of speed

30. Gives whippings

28. Ones to look up to

29. Stringed instrument

36. Part of a winter hat

37. Young men's club

38. Bathrooms need it

41. American novelist

42. Take into custody

45. Type of gibbon

40. U.S. president

34. Make more concentrated

18. Where golf games

- 56. Atomic #28
- 12. Most unnatural Answers found on page 12A