

Obituaries

Elmer Hale

Elmer L. Hale, 91, of Scalford Cane Road, Mt. Vernon, died Wednesday, January 12, 2000, at the Berra Health Care Center following an illness. He was born in Rockcastle County, on April 20, 1908, son of the late William Harrison Hale and Nannie Margaret Bishop Hale. He was a retired farmer, U.S. Army veteran of WWII and member of Fairview Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Edith McCracken Hale of Mt. Vernon and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by five brothers and sisters.

Services were Sunday, January 16, at Reppert Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. Roy Himes and Rev. Ira Dean officiating. Burial was in the Jolietta Cemetery in Rockcastle County.

Contributions suggested to Fairview Baptist Church, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456.

Cassie Peters

Cassie Lena Peters, 90, of Abbeater, Alabama, and formerly of Paris, died Friday, January 14, 2000. A native of Rockcastle County, she was born to the late William and Amelia Barrett Mason. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Paris.

Survivors are three sons, Billy Peters and wife, Sue and Charles Peters and wife, Ethel, both of Paris and Henry Peters of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; two daughters, Phyllis Spurlock and husband, Al of Abbeater, Alabama and Linda Mattingly of Paris; one sister, Lillie Halcomb; 17 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two daughters, Lillian Peters and Myrtle Kathleen Garrison and one son, Arthur Peters, Jr.

Services were Tuesday, January 18, at Lusk-McFarland Funeral Home in Paris with Bro. Wayne Pace, Bro. Don Reed and Phillip Gillispie officiating. Burial was in the Paris Cemetery.

Palbearers were Bill Peters, Brian Peters, Buddy Peters, Bobby Mattingly, James Arthur Garrison, Al Spurlock, Tony Spurlock and Jimmy Jones.

Honorary palbearers were her granddaughters.



William Shepherd

William Earl Shepherd, 70, of Liberty Township, Ohio and formerly of Rockcastle County, died Thursday, January 13, 2000, at the Mercy Hospital South in Fairfield, Ohio. He was born in Rockcastle County on May 17, 1929, the son of William Cecil and Dona Lovell Shepherd. He was a retired sander and grinder for a hospital equipment supplier and attended the Solid Rock Church in Monroe, Ohio.

In addition to his mother, Dona Shepherd, of Mt. Vernon, survivors are his wife, Ina Robbins Shepherd of Liberty Township, Ohio; one son, Dearl Lynn Shepherd of Liberty Township, Ohio; one daughter, Judy Humber, also of Liberty Township; one brother, Earl Shepherd of Mason, Ohio; two sisters, Jean Stephens and Joyce Ann Wilder, both of Mt. Vernon; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Services were Sunday, January 16, at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Virgil Bustle officiating. Burial was in the Freedom Cemetery.

Palbearers were Jim Fornash, Kevin Robbins, Michael Robbins, Matt Shepherd, Isaac Stepaniak and Chester Woods.

Grace Whitaker

Grace Whitaker, 79, of Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, January 18, 2000, at Patti A. Clay Hospital in Richmond. Funeral services will be Friday, January 21, at 1:00 p.m. at the Skages Creek Baptist Church. Friends may call at the Cox Funeral Home after 5:00 p.m. Thursday and at the Skages Creek Baptist Church after 11:00 a.m. Friday.

Goldie Cope

Goldie Lavada Cope, 66, of Berea, died Monday, January 10, 2000, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. She was born July 23, 1933 in Rockcastle County, the daughter of William Dave and Dorothy Durham VanWinkle. She had been a homemaker and was a member of the Morrian Church.

Survivors are her husband, Robert Cope of Danville; one son, Robert Detry Cope of Berea; two daughters, Imogene Gilbert of Red Hill and Rhonda Coyle and husband, Ronnie of Red Hill; two brothers, Lonzie VanWinkle of Berea and Clyde David VanWinkle of Paint Lick; four sisters, Ruby Baker, Viola Miller, Gertrude Cain and Madama Faye Himes, all of Berea; 11 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Dale Kelly Cope.

Services were Thursday, January 13, at Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Joe Alexander officiating. Burial was in the Ralph Clark Cemetery.

Palbearers were Jeff Cope, Jamie Cope, Dale Kelly Cope, Jr., John Coyle, Ronnie Coyle and Kenny Cain.

Mary Thomas

Mary Singleton Thomas, 86, of Berea, died Tuesday, January 11, 2000, at the Berea Hospital following an illness. She was a Rockcastle County native born July 17, 1913, daughter of the late Phillip and Martha Shepherd Singleton. She was a retired school teacher in Rockcastle County, and the Seminole County, Florida, school systems, having received her B.S. Degree from Eastern Kentucky State Teacher's College which is now Eastern Kentucky University. She was proud of her heritage as a one-room school teacher having started her teaching career at

the Cooksburg School in the Crooked Creek section of Rockcastle County. The first year she taught, her salary was \$72.00 per month or \$3.60 per day for a twenty day month. Miss Mary, as she was affectionately called by her students has stated, "Most of the teaching was done on a one-on-one basis. We did not have any modern teaching aids, but teaching reading, writing and arithmetic. Honest, courtesy and independence were also taught." She was a member of First Christian Church of Berea, A.A.R.P., Kentucky Retired Teachers Association, a former Red Cross Volunteer and former Berea Hospital Auxiliary Volunteer.

Survivors are two sisters, Naomi Si Owens of Berea, Buelah S. Rawlins of Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina and several nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Services were Thursday, January 13, at Reppert Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. J. Randolph Osborne officiating. Burial was in the Berea Cemetery.

Contributions suggested to First Christian Church of Berea.

Nola McClure

Nola Ann Gooch McClure, 63, of Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon, died Tuesday, January 11, 2000, at the Rockcastle Hospital. She was born in Bee Lick, on March 10, 1936, the daughter of the late Clyde F. Gooch and Verne Reynolds and was a member of the Freedom Baptist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Dana McClure of Mt. Vernon and Danny Bullock and wife, Betty, of Livingston; one daughter, Carolyn Fisher and husband, David of Somerset; one brother, Oris Gooch of Somerset; one sister, Verla Hamilton of Louisville; five grandchildren, Scottie Bullock, Sheri Creach, Angela Sluder, Christy Mercer and John Mercer, Jr., and one great grandchild.

Services were Friday, January 14, at the Paluski Funeral Home in Somerset with Bro. Cecil Roundtree officiating. Burial was in the Freedom Cemetery.

This obituary courtesy of Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

Oakley Ross

Oakley M. Hale Ross, 92, died Monday, January 17, 2000. She was born in Rockcastle County on November 17, 1907. She was an active member of the Mason Grange for many years.

Survivors are two sons, James Harding and wife, Marcy and Homer Harding and wife, Ruth; three sisters, Lois Neal, Ethel Blackledge and Isabel Haigh; eight grandchildren, Sherry Harding, Jamie Harding, Barbara Jackson, Rebecca Lyons, Deborah Retinger, John Dick, Lori Ann Doane and Scott Harding and eight great grandchildren, Timothy Retinger, Heather Retinger, Samantha Lyons, Sarah Lyons, Casey Doane, Keith Doane, Tasha Harding and Nathan Johnson. She was preceded in death by her first husband, George Harding; her second husband, Charles Ross; one son, Oliver Harding; two daughters, Gladys Smith and Mable Dick; four brothers, Doyle Hale, Foster Hale, Edsel Hale and Orbin Hale; one sister, Dorothy Nunamy.

Services will be Friday, January 21, at 10:00 a.m. at Schmidt-Dhonau Funeral Home located at 10980 Reading Road, Sharonville, Ohio.

Cards of Thanks

Herman Gilbert

The family of Herman Gilbert wishes to express our sincere thanks for all the support and prayers everyone showed us in our time of need. Thank you and God bless you all.

Imogene, Teresa, Mitchell

Goldie Cope

The family of Goldie Cope wishes to express our sincere thanks for all the support and prayers everyone showed us in our time of need. Thank you and God bless you all.

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Pearlee Whitaker

The family of Pearlee Whitaker would like to express our thanks and appreciation to everyone who was so kind and thoughtful during the loss of our beloved mother.

Thanks to everyone who sent flowers, food, cards and for their prayers.

Our special thanks to Rev. and Mrs. Roger Ouler for their beautiful songs, Rev. B. and Parkerson for his wonderful message of hope. A special thanks to Edd, grandson, who could not attend for his tribute which was read by Angie Halleen, granddaughter. Thanks to the grandsons who were pallbearers.

A special thanks to Dowell and Martin Funeral Home for their kindness and compassion shown to us at this very sad time of our lives.

Daughters of Pearlee Whitaker

Dolly Payne

The family of Dolly Payne would

like to express our thanks and sincere appreciation for all the love and kindness shown us during the illness and death of our dear mother and grandmother.

To each one who said a prayer, sent flowers or a card, brought food, or visited with Mom in the nursing home and hospital, we thank you.

A special thank you to Marvin Owens Home for Funerals; Rockcastle Hospital doctors, nurses, and Special Care Unit nursing staff; Sowder Nursing Home staff; Rockcastle Ambulance Service and Harry Harmon, who was Mom's favorite ambulance driver and a good friend; Bro. Larry Harmon and Bro. Brian Bohlin for their warm and comforting words; Bro. Mark Whicker, Janelle Payne (granddaughter) and Ashley Scoggin (great granddaughter) for their beautiful songs. May God bless you.

Tom, Jr., Jackie, Jeanne, Joyce, Rose, Sharon and grandchildren

Thank You

We, the staff of Sowder Nursing Home, would like to take this opportunity to personally thank the people and organizations that donated money and gifts to brighten our residents' Christmas. We wish each of you could have been here to see the joy on their faces when Santa Claus passed out their gifts. Once again we greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity.

Sincerely,
Sowder Nursing Home staff

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