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of the
Northern New Salem Association
of Old Regular Baptist
of Jesus Christ



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the Rose of Sharon Church
August 6 through August 8, 2021

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The Northern New Salem Dedicates the 63rd Session in memory of our beloved late Moderator: Elder Buddy Carty

Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine. [1 Tim 5:17]



My Sweet Pappaw My Hero you have always been
 Words will never describe how much I love you with a pen
 Like a Bold Soldier you stood through love and through scorn
 Never afraid of the battle with the beautiful armor you have worn
 Loving and serving people was first and foremost on your mind
 Only the Lord gives such a special heart of this kind
 A God given gift you had to lead, preach, and sing
 You will leave that legacy behind as the Gospel Bell continues to ring
 Your sweet smile, touch, and laugh will always be missed
 But your Spirit, your memory will never go away
 I'll look everywhere for signs of you along the way
 There will always be a void a hole in my heart
 But I know there is a morning coming where we will never again part
 Thank you for always leading by example and showing the narrow path
 I'm so glad I chose to take it and never look back
 All the advice and support will never be forgotten
 I'll carry on trying to use it for each valley and each mountain
 I tried to take care of you I tried to do my very best
 But I know it's time to let go now so take your peaceful rest
 You have always said "Baby Don't Worry About Pappaw"
 Well, I know I need not anymore
 For you have now gained your reward on Heaven's Bright and Beautiful Shore
 I'll Love and Miss you Forever...

Elder Buddy Carty: NNSA Moderator 2003-2020

Written by your forever thankful and broken-hearted granddaughter, Sister Megan Little

- Moderator of the Northern New Salem Association: 2003-2020
- Moderator of the Little Rebecca Church: 1985-2020
- Moderator of the Family of Love Church: 1981-2018
- Traveled far and near because of his deep love for correspondence - A life well spent for Our Precious Savior's Sake
- A Friend of God

Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. Do all things without murmurings and disputings: That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain. [Phil 2: 12-16],

In memory of the late Elders of the Northern New Salem Association



Elder Buddy Carty- Little Rebecca Church



Elder Alex Collier- Pleasantview Church

“For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.” 2 Timothy 4 6-8

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**Introductory Sermon for 2022- Elder Larry Dixon
Alternate- Elder Joe Gibson
Circular Letter- Elder Joe Gibson**

Note: Obituaries are to be typed and double spaced, a \$20.00 charge applies for pictures. Please, if you want your picture returned by mail, include a self addressed stamped envelope. Also, be sure that the name of the deceased is applied on the back of the picture. However, if you wish you may email the picture and obituary to Elder Wayne Sartin at waynesartin@gmail.com You would still need to send the \$20 payment.

**Thank you,
Brother Newsome**

Reprinted Items from the 1964, 1965, 1970, 1980 and 2003 Minutes of the Northern New Salem Association

Year 1964 – Item 15: By move and second the Association agreed to answer the request from several churches touching upon the question of sisters cutting their hair, using make-up, etc. As follows: It is the duty of every moderator of every church to exercise strict disciplinary action toward the violation of established practices. To insist on strict compliance with what sayeth the scripture concerning a woman of righteousness. Mark them that would creep in the assembly just to destroy the peace and salvation of the church.

Year 1965 – Item 16: That each church in our union shall hold its own key, and it is to be the sole judge of the members as long as it does not violate the Word of God, the order of the Association or Old Regular Baptist principles.

Year 1970 – Item 17: The request from the Little Ruth Church “Asking for advise on how should a minister who has been excluded from preaching with sects and orders contrary to Regular Baptist principles can be received back into the fellowship of a Regular Baptist Church.” We as an advisory council say to all our churches that you may restore such one upon strict examination, BUT not to return to them their credentials until they have been reexamined by legal presbytery.

Year 1980 – Item 12: By a motion and second, the request from the Little Rebecca Church was granted to correct Item #13 of our 1979 minutes to read as follows:

We, the Little Rebecca Church of Old Regular Baptist of Jesus Christ having met at our regular meeting time being found in full love and fellowship of all members present agreed unanimously to send the following request to the Northern New Salem Association when convened with the Little Ida Church on Friday before the first Saturday in August 1979. “We, the Little Rebecca Church request the Northern New Salem Association to adopt a resolution against members of our churches belong to secret orders such as Masons, Odd Fellows or any other related worldly organization that is an offense to our Sister Association as well as our own brethren”. This question has produced friction far too long in our union and we feel it is contrary to our fundamental Christian beliefs and our church principles as we are not to be a part of a worldly kingdom. And farther that we advise all of our churches having such members to rid themselves of any members that refuse to disassociate themselves from such organizations. (And not preach with any preacher that belongs to a secret organization.)

Year 2003 – Item 15: A motion was made by Eld. Larry Newsome, second by Eld. Harrison Runyon that we as an adviser and counselor answer the request of the Pleasant View, Eternal Rose and True Vine Churches concerning Item #17 of our 2002 Minutes. The following will replace Item #17: “We say to our churches to advise their ministers to refrain from taking any part in the services of churches not in correspondence with the Northern New Salem Association. This means preaching or baptizing members into their fellowship. If this is violated the minister will be silenced for a period of time, satisfactory to his home church. Under no circumstance will this be less than twelve (12) months for the first offense, and if this should happen a second time he would automatically be excluded.

Concerning funerals: If a family wants a minister of the Old Regular Baptist faith to participate in a funeral service where another church minister (not of our correspondence) is going to take part or be used in part of the services. This is acceptable as long as the Regular Baptist minister separates the services by song, prayer and dismissal called. See Item #17 of our 1970 Minutes. This advice is to be printed in our Minutes until future action is taken.

PROCEEDINGS
Of The
63rd Annual Session of the
Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist
The Church of Jesus Christ
August 6 through August 8, 2021
Friday Session

It was such a lovely, sunny morning in the North Land. Pilgrims were coming from far and near to attend this the 63rd Annual Session of the Northern New Association. As the house began to fill with a congregation of faithful believers, you could hear the singing the glorious songs of Zion. One soon forgot the tiresome journey they encountered as they traveled over the tedious highways and byways to assemble with the Rose of Sharon Church.

You could see the joy and happiness of all the pilgrims as they expressed their joy with warm handshakes and embraces. The sorrow of the pandemic was soon replaced with the spark of love which flowed from breast to breast as it had in the days of the past.

Elder Ray Hamilton called on Elder Willis Little to come forth and introduce the services. (Brother Willis was supposed to be the alternate in 2019 but he was sick and unable to attend.) Brother Willis came forth talking about his weakness, yet how blessed he was that God had allowed him to make it back to this place. He preached on how he believes that God calls his ministers. If you are not called by God then it is impossible to preach the Gospel. Brother Ray then called on Elder Don Lawson to lead us in prayer. Brother Don was blessed to pray a humble prayer that surely reached the ears of the Master.

Elder Don Mullins was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon for this session but was unable to attend due to illness. Therefore, Elder Hank Forgey, who was chosen as the alternate, was called to come forth and preach the Introductory Sermon. Brother Hank was soon blessed to preach on the angels that surround the children of God. Brother Hank continued to preach on how men must make peace with their maker and then they are to be up and about the work of the Lord.

Those who were not delegates were asked to remain at the pavilion where the preaching would be conducted. The delegates were advised to remain in the sanctuary of the Rose of Sharon Church where the business of the Association would begin. The following Elders were chosen to preach at the place arranged: Elders: (1) Elder David Lester-Old Friendship Association ;(2) Elder Chuck Hall-New Salem Association; (3)Elder Preston Lewis- New Salem Association; and (4) Elder Richard Staton- Sardis Association.

After gathering in the house and singing one of Zion's songs Elder Barry Lucas-Union Association was called on to make remarks and Elder Todd Dials -Sardis Association led in prayer.

Our beloved Assistant Moderator, Elder Ray Hamilton, announced that the 63rd Annual Session of the Northern New Salem Association was now ready to begin the work of the Association.

Friday, August 6, 2021

1.The Assistant Moderator called for the letters from the churches that compose the Northern New Salem Association to be handed in to the Clerk.

The letter from the Rose of Sharon Church was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Elder Lowell Mullins, second by Elder Phillip Beverly to receive the letters, seat the delegates and refer all queries and requests to the Committee on Arrangements.

2.The second assistant clerk read a Report from the Proceedings of the Committee Meeting and Presbytery for the Northern New Salem Association 2020. Motion made by Brother Raymond

Henderson, second by Elder Mike Fortner to receive the report and let it become a part of our permanent record.

3. The Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist faith organized by electing the following officers to serve the next year. The following Brothers were appointed to take the vote: Elder Roger Hicks-New Salem Association, Elder Charles Blevins – Union Association, and Elder Gary Blevins - Philadelphia Association.

Officers elected:

Moderator..... Elder Ray Hamilton
Assistant Moderator..... Elder Scott Hamilton
Clerk..... Elder Hillard Newsome
Assistant Clerk..... Elder Wayne Sartin

(a) Noted by the Association concerning our Finance Committee. It was moved and seconded that our Finance Committee be appointed at the same time of the election of officers, the Moderator appointed: Ron Hamilton – Sardis Association, Elder Estill Hamilton – Union Association, and Elder Tommy Dials - Sardis Association. Elder Larry Newsome made a motion, second by Elder William B. Holbrook Jr. to receive the report of the committee appointed and discharge them of their duties.

4. By a motion made by Elder Lowell Mullins, second by Elder Doug McCarty, the Moderator was authorized to make all temporary appointments. Elder Ray Hamilton then appointed Elder Scott Little as the 2nd Assistant Clerk to the Northern New Salem Association.

5. By a motion made by Elder Phillip Beverly, second by Elder Terry Hall, we omitted the reading of the Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and the Articles of Faith.

6. Called for legally organized churches of our same faith and order desiring to join our union and none responded.

7. Called for Associations of our same faith and order desiring to continue a Godly correspondence and the following responded by letter and delegate:

a. **New Salem**--Represented by the following delegates: Ted Burke, Deffort Thornsberry, Chuck Hall, Roger Hicks, and Talmadge Hicks. Letter in the hand of Elder Roger Hicks. A motion was made by Elder Terry Hall and second by Brother Dave McCracken to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

b. **Union**--Represented by the following delegates: Bobby Johnson, Estill Hamilton, Barry Lucas, Jeff Owens, Garald Akers, Ricky Akers, Charles Blevins, Bill Blevins, Joe Akers, Danny Adams, Gary Sanders, Clinton Farmer, Dennis Elkins, Paul Hall, Carl Engle, and Lonnie Staton. Letter in the hand of Elder Danny Adams. A motion was made by Elder Scott Little and second by Elder Hargis Tuttle to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

c. **Philadelphia**--Represented by the following delegates: Paul D. Moore, Gary Adkins, Bill Justice, Willis Tolliver, Gary Blevins, Jim Stewart, Preston Lewis, Gary Adkins Jr., Scott Adkins, Zach Stewart, and Darrell Kidd. Letter in the hand of Elder Gary Adkins. A motion was made by Elder Adam Moore and second by Brother James Wagner to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

d. **Sardis**-- Represented by the following delegates: Hobart Hamilton, Thomas J. Dials, Stony Blackburn, Richard Staton, Marion Duncan, Alvin Thornbury, Todd Dials, and Ron Hamilton. Letter in the hand of Elder Stony Blackburn. A motion was made by Elder Bill Smith and second by Brother

Jack Dials to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

e. **Old Friendship**—Represented by the following delegates: Gary Estep, Steve Baker, Tim Blankenship, Roger Baker, David Lester, and Edgar Baker Jr. Letter in the hand of Elder Gary Estep. A motion was made by Elder Wayne Sartin and second by Elder Andy Fields to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

f. **Old Indian Bottom**--Represented by the following delegates: Aaron Whitaker Jr and Wendell Lycans. A motion was made by Elder Patrick Deel and second by Elder Harvey Tuttle to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

8.The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of the delegates from the Rose of Sharon Church, together with one delegate from each of the other churches, to arrange the ministers for Friday evening and Saturday morning, who reported as follows:

Friday evening--Elders (1) Elder Aaron Whitaker- Old Indian Bottom Association; (2) Elder Gary Adkins- Philadelphia Association.

Saturday morning—Elders (1) Dennis Elkins – Union Association; and (2) Elder Hobart Hamilton – Sardis Association, and the brothers handling the stand were told to make the arrangements according to the brothers present and how God led them.

9.Called for transient ministers and members of our same faith and order and the following responded: Elder Sean Hicks and Elder Larry Newsome.

10.A motion was made by Elder Doug McCarty, second by Elder Terry Hall that we, the Northern New Salem Association, correspond by letter and delegate with the following associations:

(a) New Salem; (b) Union (c) Philadelphia; (d) Sardis;(e) Old Friendship; and (f) Old Indian Bottom.

(10) The Moderator appointed a committee to arrange the agenda for Saturday, consisting of one delegate from each church, together with the officers of the Northern New Salem Association, and the officers and delegates from our corresponding associations. The committee on Arrangements is to meet back at the house at 1:30 pm Friday afternoon.

(a.) Elder Mike Fortner made a motion, second by Elder Steven Miller that we, the Northern New Salem Association, adjourn until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning, August 7, 2021.

(b.) The committee met pursuant to adjournment Friday afternoon and completed its work on the Bill of Arrangements. The services for the afternoon were introduced by Elder Barry Lucas-Union Association, prayer held by Elder Todd Dials- Sardis Association.

Saturday, August 7, 2021

In accordance with having met pursuant to adjournment, on this the second day of three of the Northern New Salem Association, the Association delegates and attenders reconvened at the Rose of Sharon Church.

As the second day of the Northern New Salem Association began, you could feel the peace and love in the air. Brothers, sisters, and congregants were simply thankful to be able to assemble one more time. Clouds of fear were replaced with tears of joy.

Services for the morning were introduced by Elder Russell Hicks of the Northern New Salem Association. A song was called for and then a humble prayer was offered by Elder Hobart Hamilton of the Sardis Association.

(1) Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees.

(2) The Bill of Arrangements was read by the Assistant Clerk. A motion was made by Elder Danny Carty and seconded by Brother Raymond Henderson to receive the Bill of Arrangements and discharge the committee.

(3) The Circular Letter written by Elder Willie Collins for the first ever Northern New Salem Association was read by Elder Hillard Newsome in lieu of a letter from Elder Morris Wicker. This was done due to sickness that Brother Morris has been dealing with for some time. A motion was made by Elder Doug McCarty and seconded by Elder Terry Hall to receive the letter and have it printed in our 2021 minutes. Objections were called for and none responded.

(4) The Finance Committee appointed Friday, Item 2(a), consisting of Brother Ron Hamilton - Sardis Association, Elder Estill Hamilton - Union Association, and Elder Tommy Dials - Sardis Association, reported as follows:

2021 Church contributions.....	\$4,395.00
2021 money for pictures.....	\$ 820.00
Other contributions.....	\$304.00
Total money received for 2021.....	\$5,519.00

(5) The Moderator called for Treasurer, Elder Wayne Sartin to give his report as follows:

Treasurer's Report

(6) A. Balance as of August 2, 2019.....	\$13,862.79
2019 Church contributions.....	\$4,985.00
2019 Picture money.....	\$290.00
Other contributions.....	\$500.00

(7) **Total money on hand as of August 5, 2019. \$19,637.79**

Expenses for 2019

B. Printer's fee.....	\$3,695.00
Secretary's fee.....	\$000.00
Postage, UPS Freight.....	\$819.79
Supplies.....	00.00
Other.....	00.00

Total Expenses for 2019.....\$4,514.79

Total Expenses for 2020.....\$469.55

Donations for 2020.....\$469.55

Total Expenses for 2019 and 2020 less donations...\$4,514.79

Total of A.....\$19,637.79

Less Total of B.....\$4,514.79

Balance.....\$15,123.00

Plus Interest Earned.....\$1.42

Balance August 1, 2021.....\$15,124.42

Plus money received for 2021.....\$5,519.00

Total money on hand August 6, 2021.....\$ 20,643.42

Note: Money sent by Sister Churches of the Northern New Salem Association to the Rose of Sharon Church in helping host the 2021 session.....**\$8,825.00**
Brother Raymond Henderson made a motion, seconded by Elder Lowell Mullins to receive the Treasurer's Report.

(8) Elder John Elkins made a motion seconded by Brother Dave McCracken that Elder Wayne Sartin be appointed recording secretary. He is to have 2,170 copies of the current minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to their contributions. The secretary is to receive \$200.00 for his services. Printer's fee is to appear on the front cover.

(9) The brothers appointed to take the vote for who is to preach the

Introductory Sermon: Elder Estill Hamilton- Union Association; Elder Stoney Blackburn - Sardis Association; Elder Tommy Dials - Sardis Association; and who is to write the Circular Letter: Elder Joe Akers- Union Association; Brother Lonnie Staton - Union Association; Elder Chuck Hall – New Salem Association for 2022.

The following ministers were chosen to preach Saturday evening and Sunday morning:

Saturday evening it was determined that the Moderator could choose from the Brothers that attended church.

Sunday morning: It was determined that the Moderator could make the arrangements based on the brothers that were present.

By a vote of the delegates, Elder Larry Dixon was chosen to preach the **Introductory Sermon**, Elder Joe Gibson to be his alternate, and Elder Joe Gibson to write the **Circular Letter** for our 64th Annual Session.

Motion made by Elder John Elkins and a second by Elder Lowell Mullins to accept the report of the committee, thank them for a job well done, and release them from their duties.

(10) In compliance with Item 6 of Friday's work, we the Northern New Salem Association agreed to correspond by letter and delegate with the following associations:

(a). **New Salem:** When convened with the host churches, to be held at the Association Building, Minnie, Floyd County, KY. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 2021 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Scott Little, Danny Carty, Larry Newsome, Ray Hamilton, Scott Hamilton, Hillard Newsome, Wayne Sartin, and Dave McCracken. Elder Hillard Newsome is to carry the letter.

(b) **Union:** When convened with the host churches and cohost churches. To be held at the Association Building, Ashcamp, Pike County, KY. Beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September 2021 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Scott Little, Danny Carty, Larry Newsome, Ray Hamilton, Scott Hamilton, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, and John M. Elkins. Elder Scott Little is to carry the letter.

(c) **Philadelphia:** When convened with the host church at the Association Building, at 522 5th Ave., Worthington, KY. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August 2021 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Jimmy King, Billy Miller, Adam Moore, Scott Little, Danny Carty, Patrick Deel, Ray Hamilton, and John M. Elkins. Letter in the hand of Elder Adam Moore.

(d) **Sardis:** When convened with the host church and cohosting churches at the permanent association building, Varney, KY, beginning on Friday before the Second Saturday in September, 2021 and the two following days. Delegates to attend: Scott Little, Danny Carty, Ray Hamilton, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, Scott Hamilton, and Larry Newsome. Letter is in the hand of Elder Wayne Sartin.

(e) **Old Friendship:** When convened with the host church and co-host churches at the Panther Creek Church beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August 2021 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Billy Miller, Scott Little, Danny Carty, Ray Hamilton, Scott Hamilton, Wayne Sartin, and Hillard Newsome. Letter in the hand of Elder Danny Carty.

(f) **Old Indian Bottom:** When convened with the host church and co-host Churches at the Association Building at the Mallet Fork Church, Pinetop, KY beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 2021 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Scott Little, Danny Carty, Patrick Deel, Ray Hamilton, and Scott Hamilton. Letter in the hand of Elder Ray Hamilton.

(11) Note the reading of the minutes of the presbytery to dissolve the Morning Star Church. Motion made by Elder John Elkins seconded by Brother Raymond Henderson to receive the minutes and let them become a part of our permanent record. Objection was called for and none responded.

(12) Note the request from the Mt. Olive Church regarding the apology of Brother Elbert Hagerman to the association. The apology letter written by Brother Elbert Hagerman was read by Elder Scott Little. Motion made by Elder Danny Carty seconded by Brother Kenny Sloan. Objection was called for and none responded.

(13) Note the request from the Little Flock Church requesting that we add an article to our constitution that would establish a practice of how the association would be able to deal with situations such as the pandemic of 2020 and how the association could continue on. After much discussion, the Little Flock Church chose to withdraw their request.

(14) Note the request from the Little Rebecca and Little Angel churches requesting that the 63rd annual Northern New Salem Association be dedicated to the memory of Elder Buddy Carty. Motion made by Elder Hillard Newsome seconded by Elder Scott Hamilton. Objection was called for and none responded.

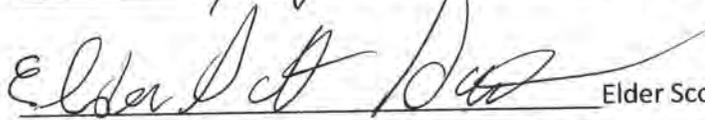
(15) The request to host the 2022 association from the Little Rebecca Church was read. A motion was made by Elder Hargis Tuttle seconded by Brother James Wagner to grant the Little Rebecca Church the honor of hosting and the Family of Love and the Mt. Olive Churches to co-host the 2022 setting of this blessed old association.

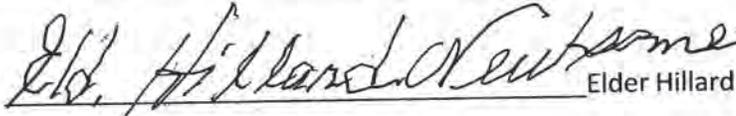
(16) Elder John M. Elkins made a motion, seconded by Elder Bill Smith to forego the reading of the current minutes.

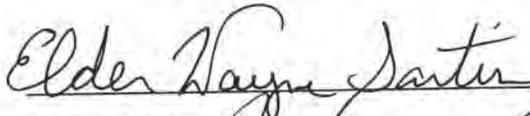
(17) A motion was made by Elder Doug McCarty second by Brother Skeeter Pridemore to adjourn to the place and time mentioned in Item 15 of Saturday's work in the current minutes.

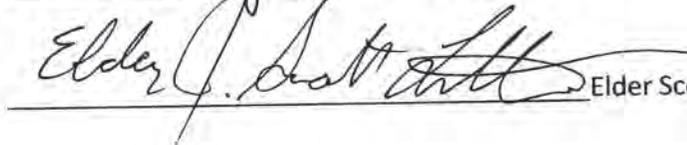
The 63rd Session was closed out by Elder Hillard Newsome of the Northern New Salem Association came and spoke then closed out the association in a humble prayer.


Elder Ray Hamilton, Moderator


Elder Scott Hamilton, Assistant Moderator


Elder Hillard Newsome, Clerk


Elder Wayne Sartin, Assistant Clerk


Elder Scott Little, 2nd Assistant Clerk

Sabbath Morning, August 8, 2021

As the brothers, sisters, and friends of the Northern New Salem association gathered into the Rose of Sharon Church for this the final day of the association, you could see a mixture of tears and smiles. There was joy that God had blessed us to gather one more time and mourning for those who were no longer with us.

Soon, morning services began, and you could feel the spirit in the old songs of Zion. As they lined, “When Mary had Come”, there was a feeling that the Master was near. Elder Ray Hamilton welcomed the congregation and announced the arrangements for the day.

The arrangements were as follows:

1. Elder Hillard Newsome Northern New Salem introduced
2. Elder Wayne Sartin led prayer
3. Elder Richard Staton followed
4. Elder Jason Hagerman followed
5. Brother Nate Caudill followed
6. Elder Scott Hamilton followed
7. Elder Scott Little closed

Hebrews 10:24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works. 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Circular Letter 2021

Dear brethren and sisters of the Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist faith and order.

Elder Morris Wicker was selected by the delegates of the 62nd session of the Northern New Salem Association to write the Circular Letter. However, he could not complete the task; instead, the delegation presented agreed to read and print the first composed circular letter of our beloved association by Elder Willie Collins. I hope to be guided by the spirit of the good Lord to write from the following subject. It will be found in I Corinthians, 2nd chapter, and 4th verse: "And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of Man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the spirit and of power." That in the power of God. Matthew, 11th chapter, verse 19: "Wisdom is justified of her children. The son of man came eating and drinking, they said, behold a man glutton, a friend of publicans and sinners." Luke 2:40: "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him." I Cor. 1:17: "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect." For the preaching of the Gospel is the power of God: to them that believe. I Cor 1:20 "Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it please God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness: and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. To everyone that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek, for therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith. So I believe there is a revealing power in this old time way, and that there is a difference in the children of God, and the children of the world. For the tree is known by the fruit it bears. So then, I am not worried about the children of God because they are new creatures. Old things are done away, and behold all things have become new. There is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism, and all are baptized into one body, all that believe. Jesus said: "Except ye believe that I am He, you shall die in your sins." Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. And how can you hear without a preacher? , how can they preach except they be sent? So let every man abide in the calling, wherein he is called and by this let every man preach Jesus, the way, and the life, for life in Him is everlasting strength. So then let the lord do the leading, and let us do the following. And, while we are scattered abroad, let us pray for each other, and let our light shine that others may see our good works, and glorify our Father. May we, His children, lead a quiet and a peaceable life, and may God help us to let Old Baptists grow, for it is the light of this land. So then, brethren and sisters, be good to one another, and let us love and pray, one for another, that our faith may grow stronger and our hopes brighter, that we all may be looking at the same time for the coming of our Lord to get His church, and present her to the Father without spot. Then what a joyful meeting that will be, and to hear him say, "Here is your reward," and march around that golden throne and sing that new song, singing glory hallelujah throughout eternity. For heaven is real, and for real men and women that have been born again. For the soul is born again and the body is brought forth in the resurrection a complete man into heaven, a land of joy and peace, forever in the presence of the Lord and his holy angels, where there will be no more heartaches, nor pains to bear. Then can we say, "The Lord is our Shepherd, and that He leads us by the still water of His love, and makes us to lie down in green pastures and restores our souls." So let us go on to perfection, ever looking to Jesus for our help and our strength, that when life is done, that we can say, "Well done, I have kept the faith," and hear Jesus say, "Here is your crown, enter into the joys of the Lord. And be seated with Abraham and Isaac in the Kingdom of God to live forever and ever." For there is nothing more real in this life than to have this hope of Christ, which is the anchor of the soul that is sure steadfast, and unmovable, and to lean upon His arm in the time of trouble. For He is a rock in this weary land, and a shelter in the time storms. So may God help us to live more humble. Let us lay aside every sin that so easily besets us, and let us run this race with patience, that is set before us, that others may see our good works, and say surely the Old Baptist is the Church, and its members are the children of God. If we live like the world, then what can we expect others to say about us? So let us live like the good Lord wants us to, that when the wheels stops at the cistern, and the silver cord is broken, then we can say, "Come on, children, and go with us, for heaven is open, and the angels are standing by to welcome us home." So may God bless every little child of God, that they may always be able to hold to each other, and march together, that the world may look on and have a desire to join this wonderful army in their march through this world, holding up the cross of Jesus, that others may look and live. Jesus said: "Take my yoke upon you and learn of Me. My yoke is easy and My burden is light." The call has gone out to all men, look unto me all ye ends of the world and be ye saved, for I am God, and beside me there is no other. But to them that have this hope of Christ in their heart, when this life is over can say, "I will see you again in the resurrection day of the Lord." When the Lord shall leave heaven with a shout, and the voice of the archangel, and the trumpet of the Lord, the dead will arise first. They will then receive the long white robe, and a crown---with a palm in their hand, and we will then be perfectly satisfied in that beautiful home that the Lord has prepared for all that love and serve Him. I hope that mercy of God will be extended to our children that they may turn to Him before it is too late. This letter is getting lengthy, so I will close.

So, dear brethren, pray for me when it goes well with you, and I hope to meet you all in Heaven some day. Your brother in the hope of eternal Life,

Willie Collins.

**CONSTITUTION
OF THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION
WHEN ORGANIZED IN 1957**

From a long series of experiences we, the Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, being baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ are convinced of the necessity of a combination of Churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us and to keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan of government.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different Churches in our union and sent to represent them in the Association and, upon their producing Letters from their respective Churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat.

ARTICLE 2. In the letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by Letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.

ARTICLE 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical power over the Churches nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any Church in the union.

ARTICLE 4. The Association when convened shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

ARTICLE 5. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE 6. New Churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by Letter and delegates and, if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received; and every Church in the union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association.

ARTICLE 7. Every query presented by the Church to the Association, being first debated in their own Churches, shall be taken up by the Association.

ARTICLE 8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except when withdrawn by the one who made it.

ARTICLE 9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association.

ARTICLE 10. We think it necessary that we should have an Association fund for defraying expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each Church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association; and such sums be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer chosen by the Association who shall be accountable for the money paid him by the Association, and paid out according to the Association.

ARTICLE 11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association who shall receive a compensation for his services.

ARTICLE 12. The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with.

ARTICLE 13. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by a majority of the union, if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE 14. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of a majority of the delegates present, except in receiving and dismissing churches and

ARTICLE 15. The Association shall have the power for the general union of the Churches; to preserve inviolable a chain of communion among the Churches; to give Churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause of the Churches failing to represent them at any time in the Association; to appropriate money contributed by the Churches for the Association fund to any purpose they may think proper; to appoint any members, by their consent, to transact any business which they see necessary; and they shall have power to withdraw from any Church in the union which violates the rules of the Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; and to admit any orderly Minister of our order to a seat with us. The Association shall have the right to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the Churches.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

ARTICLE 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one, equal in power, essence and glory.

Isaiah 45:5, 1st Cor. 8:6, 1st John 5:7

ARTICLE 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments of the Authorized King James version of the Bible are the written words of God, and the only rules of Faith and practice.

2nd Peter 1:21, 2nd Tim. 3:16

ARTICLE 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace. *“For by grace are ye saved through Faith.”*

Acts 15:11, Titus 2:11

ARTICLE 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and of man’s inability to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, therefore a Savior is needed for redemption.

Gen. 3:6, Romans 5:12

ARTICLE 5. We believe that sinners are called to repentance, and believe in the gospel, and regeneration of the soul, sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, and none such shall fall away and be lost.

Prov. 8:4, Matt. 9:13, Mark 2:17, 2nd Tim. 2:9, 1st Peter 1:23

ARTICLE 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

2nd Tim. 1:9, Luke 18:13-14, Acts 13:39

ARTICLE 7. We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God’s church on Earth, and the mode is IMMERSION back foremost so as to cover all over.

Matt. 3:13-16, John 1:31-33, Romans 6-4, Eph. 4:5

ARTICLE 8. We believe that the Lord’s Supper is the command of the Savior, and that by the use of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine and feet-washing should be kept up until His second coming, by His believers.

Matt. 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:20, John 13:7-8, 1st Tim. 5:9-10

ARTICLE 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust, and that the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

John 5:28-29, 1st Cor. 15:51-53, Luke 24:46

ARTICLE 10. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel, except such as are regular baptized, and that by immersion by a legal administrator of the gospel, and has come under the hands of a regular chosen

presbytery of the church and ordained thereby.

Acts 13:2-3, Romans 1:6, Titus 1:5-9

ARTICLE 11. We believe that it is the duty of all church members to contribute money for defraying all reasonable expenses of the church, never forgetting the poor, according to their several abilities.

Acts 11:29, Romans 15:26, 1st Cor. 16:1-2

ARTICLE 12. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage, or indulge people in their sins, or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation, is erroneous, and such doctrine will be rejected by us.

Matt. 16:12, Acts 8:16-21, Romans 16:17-18, Eph. 4:14-15, Gal. 1:8-10

ARTICLE 13. We believe that the church of Christ is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ, who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and with one another, and have given themselves to the Lord, and have agreed to keep up a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the gospel.

Acts 2:42, 1st John 1:3

ARTICLE 14. We believe that Jesus Christ is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon his shoulders.

Isaiah 9:6-7, Ch. 22:21-22, Luke 1:33

ARTICLE 15. We believe that a sanctioned marriage of God is between a man and a woman only. Also we believe in receiving members into our fellowship that follow the natural dating relationship that leads to holy matrimony between a man and a woman only; thereby, preserving the family unit of father, mother, and children.

Eph. 5:22, 23, 28, St. Mark 10:6-8, Romans 1:26, 27

ARTICLE 16. None of the articles shall be considered as to hold with particular election and reprobation, so as to make God partial directly, indirectly, or to injure any of the children of men; nor shall any of these articles be altered without legal notice, and free consent.

John 3:16, Heb. 2:9

RULES OF DECORUM

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

ARTICLE 2. The Association shall have a moderator, an assistant moderator, clerk, and assistant clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE 3. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and obtain consent from the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

ARTICLE 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.

ARTICLE 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken so as to make remarks on his slips of imperfections, but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can as to convey his ideas.

ARTICLE 6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.

ARTICLE 7. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association.

ARTICLE 8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.

ARTICLE 9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term of appellation than that of "Brother".

ARTICLE 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit any members from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the rules of decorum.

ARTICLE 11. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Moderator requires.

ARTICLE 12. The Moderator shall have the same right of speech as any other member provided the chair be filled. And he shall have no right to vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the deciding vote.

ARTICLE 13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the decorum shall be reprovved by the Association as they think proper.

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UNION MEETINGS AND MINISTERS CALLED FOR THE YEAR 2021-2022

NOVEMBER, 2021

LITTLE MELROSE – First in November (2021). Willis Tolliver, Preston Lewis, Scott Hamilton, Tommy Dials, and Todd Dials.

Memorial- First in March. Andy Fields, Paul D. Moore, Scott Little, Richard Lowe, Danny Carty, James Barney, and Terry Fuller.

March

MT. OLIVE -- Fourth in March. Danny Carty, Scott Little, Joe Havlik, Joe Gilliam, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, and Dennis Elkins.

Memorial- Fourth in August. Ray Hamilton, Lowell Mullins, Scott Hamilton, Estill Hamilton, Larry Newsome, Phillip Beverly, and Glen Slone.

APRIL

ANTIOCH -- First in April. Ben Little, John Lewis, Scott Little, Johnny Thornsberry, Todd Dials, and Preston Lewis.

Memorial- First in June. Theodore Slone, Danny Carty, Scott Hamilton, James Tackett (Enterprise), Jason Hagerman, and Teddy Honaker.

PLEASANT VIEW -- First in April starts at 5:00 P.M. on Saturday. Roger Hicks, Scott Hamilton, Jeff Dillon, Jason Hagerman, and Glen Slone.

Memorial- First in June. Stoney Blackburn, Justin Hagerman, Evan Hamilton, Lowell Mullins, Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

ETERNAL ROSE -- Second in April. Danny Prater, Daniel Newsome, Johnny Thornsberry, Phillip Beverly, Steve Slone, and Nick Hanson.

Memorial- Second in June. Raymond Gayheart, Glen Slone, Dennis Elkins, Larry Newsome, and Home Brothers.

ROSE OF SHARON -- Second in April. Mike Fortner, Richard Staton, Hobart Hamilton, Ralph Slone Jr., Doug McCarty, Charles Blevins, Ed Howell, Omery “Chuck” Hall, and Greg Sowards

Memorial- Second in October 2021. Larry Newsome, Estill Hamilton, Lowell Mullins, Bill Blevins, William B. Holbrook, and Ray Hamilton.

MAY

LITTLE FLOSSIE -- First in May. Charles Edwards, John Lewis, Ralph Cloud, Aaron Whitaker, Kerry Ratliff, and Matthew Ison.

Memorial- First in October 2021. Clyde Lewis, Preston Lewis, Gary Adkins, Leonard Napier, and Gary Blevins.

LITTLE IDA -- First in May. Willis Tolliver, Gary Adkins, Barry Lucas, and Matthew Ison.

Memorial- First in April. Dan Carty, Estill Hamilton, Zach Stewart, Preston Lewis, Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

MAGGIE’S HOME -- First in May. Joe Gibson, Hargis Tuttle, Phillip Beverly, and Glen Slone.

Memorial- First in June. Gary Young, Hank Forgey, Mike Fortner, Harrison Runyon, and Jerry Runyon.

LITTLE RUTH – Second in May. Russell Hicks, Sean Hicks, Matthew Ison, and Clyde Lewis.

Memorial- Second in July. Charles Edwards, Morris Wicker, Zachariah Collins, and Gary Blevins.

LILY OF THE VALLEY -- Third in May. Estill Hamilton, Danny Carty, Charles Hagerman, Justin Hagerman, Wayne Sartin, Jason Hagerman, and Danny Adams.

Memorial- Third in July. Squire Hamilton, Steve Slone, Larry Newsome, Joe Havlik, Joe Akers, Dennis Elkins, and Steven Miller.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME -- Third in May. Clyde Lewis, Preston Lewis, Kenny Newsome, John Lewis, and Johnny Thornsberry.

Memorial- Third in September 2021. Gary Adkins, Bobby Baker, Russell Hicks, Zachariah Collins, and Jeff Lewis.

LITTLE ELLEN – Third in May. Patrick Deel, Ray Hamilton, Andy Fields, Larry Newsome, Wayne Sartin, Scott Little, and Justin Hagerman.

Memorial- Third in October 2021 Charles Hagerman, Danny Adams, Joe Akers, Joe Havlik, Charles Blevins, Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

JUNE

LITTLE BETHEL -- First in June. Patrick Deel, Lon Beverly, Ray Hamilton, Steve Slone, and Glen Slone.

Memorial- First in September. Phillip Beverly, Joe Gibson, Larry Dixon, Andy Fields, and Hargis Tuttle.

LITTLE FAMILY -- Second in June. John Elkins, Patrick Deel, Joe Gibson, Harvey Tuttle, and Larry Dixon.

Memorial- Second in October 2021. Willis Tolliver, Bobby Baker, Hillard Newsome, Wayne Sartin, and Scott Little.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME – Second in June. Billy Miller, Larry Dixon, Charles Edwards, Morris Wicker, and Phillip Beverly.

Memorial- Second in August. Sean Hicks, Steve Slone, Paul Dye, Danny Carty, Scott Hamilton, and Russell Hicks.

LITTLE REBECCA -- Third in June. Brother Zach Stewart, Barry Lucas, Doug McCarty, Johnny Thornsberry, Wayne Sartin, and Paul David Moore.

Memorial- Third in August. Joe Gibson, Deffort Thornsberry, and Home Brothers.

FAMILY OF LOVE -- Fourth in June. Billy Miller, Lowell Mullins, Todd Dials, John Lewis, and Phillip Beverly.

Memorial- Fourth in October 2021. Darrell Kidd, Paul Boggs, Gary Blevins, Jimmy Amos, Sean Hicks, and Russell Hicks.

LITTLE EDNA -- Fourth in June. Andy Fields, Sam Hamilton, Wayne Sartin, Eddie Wallen, and Estill Hamilton.

Memorial- Fourth in August. Dennis Elkins, Glen Slone, Phillip Beverly, Joe Gibson, Hargis Tuttle, Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

JULY

LITTLE FLOCK -- Third in July. Gary Young, Daniel Newsome, Zachariah Collins, Scott Little, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, Adam Moore, and Phillip Beverly.

Memorial- Third in June. Ray Hamilton, Gary Blevins, Danny Carty, and Jimmy Amos.

LITTLE ANGEL -- Fourth in July. Brian Adams (Samaria), Jason Adkins (Greasy Creek), Jason Hagerman, Richard Staton, and Hobart Hamilton.

Memorial- Fourth in March. Robbie Osborne, Tony Roberts, Larry Newsome, Hargis Tuttle, and Tommy Dials.

SPECIAL MEMORIALS

Little Rebecca Special Memorial for Elder Buddy Carty. Odd Sunday in October 2021. Old Regular Baptist Ministers. All Welcome.

Tuttle Memorial Meeting- We, the descendants of the Tuttle Family wish to invite everyone to meet with us for the Tuttle Memorial on Sizemore Mountain near Wayland, KY on Saturday, April 30, 2022. Singing will start at 9:30 am with preaching at 10:00 am. Any and all are welcome to attend. We especially look forward to the presence of Old Regular Baptist Ministers.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

LITTLE REBECCA

Elder Lon Beverly ----- 45 Bell St., Plymouth, OH 44865	419-687-9501
Elder Phillip Beverly --4076 Bull Head Rd., Willard, OH 44890	567-224-2661
Elder Danny Carty --- 5346 St. Andrews Dr., Westerville, OH 43082	614-949-4889
Elder Glen Slone — 4030 State Rt. 598 Crestline, OH 44825	419-564-3582

MAGGIE'S HOME

Elder Scotty Little ----- 474 Diana St., Minford, OH 45653	740-250-8049
Elder Donald Mullins -- 36157 DePue Rd., Hamden, OH 45634	740-596-4946
Elder Daniel Newsome — -35010 Buckrun Rd., Langsville, OH 45741	740-669-3408
	Cell 740-988-7512

LITTLE FLOCK

Elder Hank Forgey -- 1443 Centerville Rd., Thurman, OH 45685	740-682-6533
Elder Mike Fortner -- 2476 Centerpoint Rd., Oak Hill, OH 45656	740-682-6236
Elder Greg Sowards – 12942 St. Rt. 220, Waverly, OH 45690	740-289-4771

LITTLE RUTH

Elder Don Lawson ----- 204 2nd St., Box 47, Pleasantville, OH 43148	740-468-6100
Elder Bill Staton ----- Woodside Village Care Center, Mt. Gilead, OH 43338	

LITTLE EDNA

Elder Stephen Slone ----- 240 Heritage Drive, Wellington, OH 44090	440-574-1740
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LITTLE IDA

Elder Ralph Caudill --1594 Wilson St., Lincoln Park, MI 48146	313-381-3710
Elder Billy Miller ----- 672 Cora St., Wyandotte, MI 48192	734-283-0208
Elder Steven Miller -- 19363 Buck St., Brownstown, MI 48174	734-955-1347
Elder Adam Moore - 5375 Barbara Ave., Trenton, MI 48183	502-612-3410

LITTLE FLOSSIE

Elder Zachariah Collins -----11021 17 Mile Rd, Marshall, MI 49068	269-245-6976
Elder Larry Dixon ----- 1342 Knoll Creek Dr. Kendallville, IN 47655	260-347-8082
Elder Russell Hicks ----- 11971 N. Angling Rd., Wolcottville, IN 46795	260-854-3649
Elder Sean Hicks ----- -4114 North Sparta Lake Rd., Ligonier, IN 46767	260-221-1965
Elder Harvey Tuttle ----- 10995 East Rt. 20, Lagrange, IN 46761	260-499-7997
Elder Morris Wicker ----- 5510 E. 1150 N., Wolcottville, IN 46795	260-318-2998

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME

Elder Eddie Wallen -----330 Railroad St., Rochester, OH 44090	440-647-3539
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MT. OLIVE

Elder Charles Hagerman -----830 Cedar Street, Waterloo, IN 46793	260-318-1362
Elder Jason Hagerman -----19966 CR. 146, New Paris, IN 46553	260-894-1885
Elder Justin Hagerman -----4320 N. 750 W, Ligonier, IN 46767	260-215-2272

PLEASANT VIEW

Elder Larry Newsome -----2216 Brownhelm Station Rd., Vermilion, OH 44089	440-574-9390
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LITTLE FAMILY

None

LITTLE ANGEL

Elder Scott Little -----13409 Appleton Terrace, Pickerington, OH 43147	740-804-6615
Elder Bill Smith ----- 11937 St. Rt. 736, Marysville, OH 43040	937-642-4106

ANTIOCH

Elder Hillard Newsome -- 3520 Fincastle Rd., Louisville, KY 40213	502-452-1197
Elder Wayne Sartin ----- 1613 South 4th St., Louisville, KY 40208	606-225-2702
Elder Terry Hall -----120 High Street Apt. A Wilmore, KY 40390	859-552-5155

ROSE OF SHARON

Elder Ray Hamilton --5040 Carlton-S. Rockwood Rd., S. Rockwood,MI 48179	734-783-5037
	Cell 734-250-1416
Elder William B. Holbrook, Jr. -13388 Parkway Blvd, Carleton, MI 48117	734-654-6883
Elder Andy Fields -----10130 Newburg Hwy, Tecumseh, MI 49286	517-815-1933
Elder Willis Little4541 Grace St., Wayne, MI 48184	734-728-4486

LILY OF THE VALLEY

Elder Evan Hamilton – 5801 Washington Blvd, Ashtabula, OH 44048	440-992-9359
Elder Scott Hamilton – 4760 N. Ridge E., Geneva, OH 44041	440-466-7053
Elder Sam Hamilton - 95 Breezewood Lane, Orwell, OH 44076	440-344-6246

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME

None

LITTLE BETHEL

Elder Paul Dye ----- Box 122, Tiro, OH 44887 419-347-5064

FAMILY OF LOVE

Elder Patrick Deel---22500 Delaware County Line Rd. Marysville, OH 43040 937-209-1865
Home 937-348-2350

LITTLE MELROSE

Elder John M. Elkins ----2038 Allcorn Rd., Greenup, KY 41144 606-473-0324
Elder Doug McCarty -----6803 Fern Creek Way, Key Stone Hts., FL 32656 352-473-3424

ETERNAL ROSE

Elder Joseph Gibson ----- 1838 Lyons Rd., Willard, OH 44890 419-706-2321
Elder Hargis Tuttle ----- 4494 Butler Rd., Wakeman, OH 44889 440-839-5113

LITTLE ELLEN

Elder Lowell Mullins ----- 1165 Oak Ridge Dr., Manteno, IL 60950 815-468-1532

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CLERKS and THEIR ADDRESSES

Church	Clerk	Address	City, State	Phone Number
Little Rebecca	Nick Hansen	1430 County Rd 1475	Ashland, OH 44805	(502) 500-4587
Maggi's Home	Joe Gilliam	19323 St. Rd.160	Vinton, OH 45686	(740) 612-9302
Little Flock	Mike Fortner	2476 Centerpoint Rd	Oak Hill, OH 45656	(740) 682-6236
Little Ruth	Jimmy King	2186 TWP Rd 165	Cardington, OH 43315	(740) 833-5273
Little Edna	Steve Conley	11110 Humm Rd	Berlin Hts., OH 44814	(419) 370-1220
Little Ida	John Johnson	15649 Fordline St.	Southgate, MI 48195	(734) 246-0769
Little Flossie	Matthew Jones	5042 W 500 S	Wabash, IN 46992	(260) 563-5596
Little Pilgrim's Home	Ike Spears	2E 2nd St	North Fairfield, OH 44855	(419) 577-7057
Mt. Olive	Jeremy Hagerman	4302 N 750 W	Ligonier, IN 46767	(260) 894-0227
Pleasant View	Steve Conley	11110 Humm Rd	Berlin Hts., OH 44814	(419) 370-1220
Little Family	Gary Sanders	4411 Dana Dr.	Franklin, OH 45005	(937) 550-9402
Little Angel	Jack Dials	1451 Pineland Ct.	Columbus, OH 43223	(614) 595-3388
Antioch	Melvin Adams, Jr.	301 Arrow Head Lane	Shepherdsville, KY 40165	(502) 777-2171
Rose of Sharon	Andy Fields	10130 Newburg Hwy.	Tecumseh, MI 48286	(517) 815-1933
Lily of the Valley	Scott Hamilton Jr.	5859 S. Wright St.	Kingsville, OH 44048	(440) 344-9721
Little Children's Home	James D. Wagner	17201 Stone Church Rd.	Laurel, IN 47024	(765) 698-2316
Little Bethel	Ike Spears	2E 2nd St.	North Fairfield, OH 44855	(419) 577-7057
Family of Love	Jimmy King	2186 TWP Rd 165	Cardington, OH 43315	(740) 833-5273
Little Melrose	Hansel Brown	8598 SW 56 Avenue Rd.	Ocala, FL 34476	(352) 861-2722 cell
Eternal Rose	Raymond Henderson	2600 Olivesburg Rd.	Mansfield, OH 44903	(419) 522-0405
Little Ellen	Jimmy Sowards	19166 Hyde Park Ct.	Woodhaven, MI 48183	(734) 775-7831

MODERATORS and ASSISTANT MODERATORS

Church	Moderator	Assistant Moderator
Little Rebecca.....	Danny Carty.....	Phillip Beverly.....
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Little Ruth.....	Don Lawson.....
Little Edna.....	Stephen Slone.....	Larry Newsome.....
Little Ida.....	Ralph Caudill.....	Billy Miller.....
Little Flossie.....	Sean Hicks.....	Zach Collins.....
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Pleasant View.....	Larry Newsome.....	Dennis Elkins.....
Little Family.....	Danny Carty.....	Bill Smith.....
Little Angel.....	Danny Carty.....	Bill Smith.....
Antioch.....	Hillard Newsome.....	Wayne Sartin.....
Rose of Sharon.....	Ray Hamilton.....	William B. Holbrook, Jr.....
Lily of the Valley.....	Scott Hamilton.....	Evan Hamilton.....
Little Children's Home.....	Aaron Whitaker, Jr.....	Harvey Tuttle.....
Little Bethel.....	Paul Dye.....	Eddie Wallen.....
Family of Love.....	Patrick Deel.....
Little Melrose.....	Doug McCarty.....	John M. Elkins.....
Eternal Rose.....	Hargis Tuttle.....	Joseph Gibson.....
Little Ellen.....	Lowell Mullins.....	Jason Hagerman.....

CHURCH ADDRESSES

(Preferably, mail correspondence to the Clerk's address)

Church	Address	City	State/Zip Code
Little Rebecca	4982 Henry Road, Ph. 419-687-8838	Plymouth.	Ohio 44865
Maggi's Home	Benner Road	Hamden-Dundas.	Ohio 45634
Little Flock	1900 Borland Rd. Rte 1.	Ray	Ohio 45672
Little Ruth	3521 County Rd. 217	Marengo	Ohio 43334
Little Edna	5160 Bond Avenue	Lorain	Ohio 44055
Little Ida	4060 Drennan Street	Ecorse	Michigan 48229
Little Flossie	159 W. Greenwood.Dr.	Lisbon.	KendallvilleIndiana 46755
Little Zion	63181 Romeo Plank Road	Romeo	Michigan 48096
Little Pilgrim's Home	1487 U.S. Rt. 224 East, Ph. 419-524-8514	Greenwich	Ohio 44837
Mt. Olive	3635 S. 200 E.	Lagrange	Indiana 46761
Pleasant View	3589 Beat Road.	Litchfield	Ohio 44253
Little Family	4079 Sommersville/Jacksonburg	Middletown.	Ohio 45042
Little Angel	5733 Saltzgaber Road, Ph. 614-492-0010	Groveport	Ohio 43125
Antioch	10817 Barricks Road	Louisville	Kentucky 40229
Rose of Sharon	5665 Carleton-Rockwood Rd. Ph. 313-379-4870	South Rockwood	Michigan 48179
Lily of the Valley	Route 534—600 Kiwanis Pk. Dr.	Geneva	Ohio 44041
Little Children's Home	18125 Stone Church Rd.	Laurel	Indiana 47024
Little Bethel	State Route 228	Green Springs	Ohio 44836
Family of Love	18061 S.R. 231 (Wyandotte)	Nevada.	Ohio 44849
Little Melrose	201 Pearl St.	Melrose	Florida 32666
Eternal Rose	14061Township Rd. 215	Lakeville	Ohio 44638
Little Ellen	IL 50, W. 115th, Rt. On Lawler, Left 11200 S. Avon.	Alsip	Illinois 60803

**STATISTICAL
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2021

CHURCHES

	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Recommendation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Contributions	Communion Time
Little Rebecca	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	23	3-MO	\$ 325	July
Maggie's Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	19	1-M	150	July
Little Flock	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	13	3-MO	225	Aug
Little Ruth	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11	2-M	70	June
Little Edna	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11	4-M	250	July
Little Ida	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	29	1-M	175	June
Little Flossie	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	28	4:00 p.m. 1-EO	275	June
Little Pilgrim's Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	2-M	50	July
Mt. Olive	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	15	4:00 P.M. 4-E	400	April
Pleasant View	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	26	6:00 P.M. 1-E	250	May 5pm
Little Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	2:00 P.M. 2-EO	250	July
Little Angel	0	1	0	0	0	8	3	18	4-MO	350	Aug
Antioch	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	13	1-M	375	Oct
Rose Of Sharon	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	21	2-M	400	May
Lily of the Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19	3-M	200	June
Little Children's Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2:00 P.M. 3-E	225	July
Little Bethel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1-M	50	July
Family of Love	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2:00 P.M. 4-E	50	July
Little Melrose	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	2:00 P.M. 1-E	150	Jan
Eternal Rose	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	4:00 P.M. 2-E	75	Aug
Little Ellen	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	4:00 P.M. 3-E	100	June
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2021 Church Contributions

\$ 4,395

2021 Money for Pictures

820

Other Contributions

304

Grand Total

5 5 - 2 1 8 31 301

\$ 5,519

M--Saturday morning services

E--Saturday evening services

O--Odd Sunday

Pleasant View meets at 5 pm in April, May, and June

2020 Obituaries

Clerk Note: This set of obituaries are a reprinted the obituaries which appeared in the 2020 Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Northern New Salem (<http://www.northernnewsalem.com/2020/2020.pdf>)

Elders

Elder Karrel Addington

September 26, 1936 - June 8, 2020



As I try in my weakness, it is a great honor to try to find words to describe the life of a very devoted and respected man as Elder Karrel Addington. I feel we can say as the king said in 2nd Samuel when word came that Abner was dead, "And the king said unto his servants, know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" We that knew Brother Karrel could say last Monday morning on June 8, 2020, that a great man and a faithful servant of the Lord has fallen this day in Louisville.

Brother Karrel began his life's journey here on God's good earth on Saturday, Sept. 226, 1936. After being a world traveler and an evangelist for many, many years. On Monday, June 8, 2020, he received his discharge from the trials and tribulations of this life in Louisville. He entered into a country with no measure of time. He was blessed to sing and preach about a land of pure delight

for many years: now he has laid aside this earthly garment. A garment that was worn and weathered by the storms of this life. What a glorious exchange laid off the old coat and put on the new.

God blessed him with a happy and productive life.

A native of Pike County, Kentucky, a graduate of Virgie High School, a Kentucky Colonel, a veteran of the United States Army, a supervisor for the Ford Motor Company in Detroit, Michigan for years, pastor of the Ypsilanti Old Regular Baptist Church, A great advisor and counselor. A caring and loving shepherd of the sheep. A gifted singer and a warm spiritual minister of the gospel. A member and assistant pastor of the Antioch Old Regular Baptist Church here in Louisville. A devoted and well-read reader of the Bible. A published author of two books, "Journey Through the Bible" and "Power of the Blood." While here, he used his time wisely.

He, Sister Louise, and I were in the 1955 graduating class of Virgie High School. On February 25, 1955, he and Sister Lousie snuck away to Clintwood, Virginia, and got married. How they kept it a secret from our classmates-I will never know. While on our senior trip to Washington, DC. Mr. Cox, the principal, told Bro. Karrell, "You stay in your room, and I don't want to hear of you visiting Louises' room." Bro Karrell said I kept my promise". How he did it is unbelievable; he was a little sneaky.

They were blessed to have over 65 years of wedded bliss. He was a devoted and caring husband and father. To this union was born one daughter Lisa Parker, who survives (of Louisville, KY). He is also survived by his life's love, Louise Blackburn Addington, one sister, Janice Wright (Cleason) of Michigan. Grandchildren Hannah Parker (Gene) Gruver, Two grandsons: Brent David Parker and Bradley Addington Parker.

He was preceded in death by his parent Benton and Francis Osborne Addington, four sisters Buelah Harris, Daryl Mullins, Bobbie St. Pierre, and Billie Johnson. His memory will be cherished forever by those he left behind. His humble life touched the lives of the young as well as the old. A pleasure to be around, he charmed one and all with his wit and his warmth.

Many years ago, when a young man, he was baptized into full love and fellowship at the Ypsilanti Old Regular Baptist Church by the hands of the later Elder Dewey Sexton and Elder Clovis Tackett.

Shortly after being converted, he felt a call to the ministry. He obeyed the calling of the Lord. He enlisted in the army of the Lord, and on God's battlefield, he became a brave, fruitful, and devoted soldier. Traveling near and far, over countless miles, he exercised his gift. He begged sinners to repent as a good shepherd of the sheep adding and counseling them how to live as a Christian. He was never ashamed of the beliefs, orders, rules, and precepts of his church. He was forever setting good examples in his everyday life.

Brother Karrel, our lives have been enriched by knowing you and the teaching you taught us. You were a great builder to the Antioch Church. You always taught us to love each other and live our lives to never bring shame to the church. To keep ourselves unspotted from the world. To live humble and always let our light shine to the glory and honor of God.

Rest in peace, our dear brother. The peace you preached about, now that peace is everlasting. Our hope is to meet you on that resurrection morning. It is then we will have a new body, a new endless day to ever be in the presence of our Lord-where we will be giving him praise, glory, and honor forever and forever.

We loved you yesterday, today the same, tomorrow we will miss you, and often call your name.

Written by his loving brother in Christ,

Elder Hillard Newsome

Elder Clifford Bradley

DECEMBER 2, 1931 – MARCH 15, 2020



It is with very sad and broken hearts that we will try to write an obituary of our dear, loving father, Clifford Bradley. He was born to the late Alonzo and Golda Pigman Bradley on December 2, 1931 of Dema, Kentucky, making his stay here on Earth 88 years, 3 months and 13 days.

On December 22, 1949 he married the love of his life, the late Evalee Murrell in Prestonburg, Kentucky.

Dad was baptized December 18, 1965 by Elder Green Bradley and Elder Troy Nicholes at Caney Fork Church, Caney, KY. Dad got his letter and took it to the little Rebecca Church in Plymouth, OH, to come off the arm, to establish the Family of Love Xchurch, Wyandot, OH.

Dad loved to help and take care of the church, which he did for many years. I remember he made a memorial garden on the side of the church. He worked so hard and it was beautiful.

Dad was a retired tow motor driver from Eaton Corporation in Marion, Ohio.

I am so thankful that Dad was able to be at home surrounded by family. I find great comfort in knowing that he said he wasn't scared and he was ready to go home.

Dad will live on in our hearts forever. We miss you so much but we know that your pain and suffering is done and you and mom now have a home in Heaven.

Dad was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, three brothers, Butler, Clyde, and Dingus Bradley, three sisters Clorindy Lucas, Helen Bradley and Joyce Hallman, one grandchild, Larry Michael Bradley, and one great grandchild, Matthew Michael Bradley.

Left to cherish his memory is two sons, Larry Bradley of Marion, OH and Clyde Bradley of Wyandot, OH; three daughters, Helen (Ron) Johnson of Wyandot, OH, Nancy (David) Hampton of Wyandot, OH and Goldie Bradley of Bucyrus, OH; 12 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great grandchild.

Elder Donel D Gibson

OCTOBER 4, 1930 – NOVEMBER 18, 2019



As the beautiful autumn leaves began to fall, Don's health began to fail from heart attack and stroke. This is an obituary in memory of our seventeen years together. All to the glory and honor of God. Between August and November, after several mini-strokes and a heart attack he never knew about until 2003 when he had three stents, Don walked almost daily and ate healthy except for some sneak times. Some of our plans were lacking, but we enjoyed life and our time together.

In August 2019 I saw Don slowing down due to shortness of breath. He remarked, "I have to slow down." The two things he enjoyed most, walking and talking, were most affected. Glory to God, Don humbled himself and I saw a different man. I called it a "spiritual journey home."

He would choose a small bite of banana to take his pills and even thank God for the banana and the pills. He never failed to thank God for every bite of food set before him. He gave thanks for God giving men the ability to invent those pills which helped him live longer. No one could watch and listen without fighting back the tears.

Don was a real trooper! He showed the strength God was giving him by never being bedridden, always walking from his bed to his recliner and showering and shaving most days as well. He asked God all day to help him, always knowing from whom his strength came. Money, house, car, all material things he lost interest in, even keeping the TV off to avoid seeing the evils of this world.

He grew in wisdom, knowledge, and maturity as he read, studied, and searched the Bible, desiring his understanding to be from God, not from men or of himself. He knew God was Number One. He was a teacher of the Gospel, never preaching about "I" or "me." He knew it was all about God, not any of us. His goal those last three months was to reach lost souls, old or young. Everyone he met, whether doctors or nurses, family or friends, neighbors or strangers was asked the same question: "Do you know God?" Our neighbors he met while walking later mentioned enjoying talking to Don, "a dedicated Christian man."

So much was revealed to Don during his journey home! He'd say, "Marge, I've been so wrong about the church being my life. Jesus alone is my life!" He loved our church family and wanted Christians to be good to one another and especially to be good to unbelievers. Always preach Jesus; there is too much in the Bible to waste time preaching about anything else. Don worried about broken homes. Husbands and wives today are letting things and other people come before God. God should be first; husbands and wives second.

From late evening until bedtime, nothing mattered but us. He read the Bible, sang to me, we prayed together and talked about our seventeen years together. It was a beautifully special and unforgettable time!

He leaves behind an extended family:

Doug Slone, New Port Richey, Fl; daughters Kimberly of Alaska; Kelly of Colorado; and Belinda Elliott, Elyria, OH; son Chad, wife Lisa, and grandchildren Tyler and Ashley.

He leaves five sons and one daughter: Gerald (Valerie); Allen (Sonja); Joe (Sandy); Mark (Lenora); Donnie (Diana); Brenda Ruggles (Feldon). Don enjoyed 18 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. Also surviving is one brother Thomas Jay (Laura); three sisters: Janet (Bill) Barnett; Elnora (Russell) Patton, and Wanda Hale.

Don was buried in Maple Grove Cemetery in New Haven, OH next to his first wife Gwendale (Vanderpool) Gibson. Three other sisters and another brother are deceased.

We never want to forget Western Reserve Hospice and University Hospital. They treated us all like family with hugs and tears. Thanks also to Secor Funeral Home in Willard who took care of Don with tender loving care.

Don was sitting up, fully dressed, surrounded by family and friends, when he looked up seeing a bright light, he closed his eyes, leaving this world in love and peace and joy. What a glorious resurrection morning it will be when all God's children will go home together.

Waiting for my long-sought rest above since July 8, 1952. Every moment brings me nearer.

Heaven born and Heaven bound!

With Christian love,

Sister Marjorie Slone Gibson

Elder Boney Jr Jent



Born June 8th 1934, passed to be with the Lord on December 3rd 2020.

With heavy and broken hearts we submit this obituary for my Father. Jr Jent Born and raised in Carcaussone, Kentucky by Mary and Estill Combs. He came to Ohio for work in 1956 where he met and married Betty Pritt. They celebrated 64 years together. They raised 2 daughters together but lost 1 to cancer in 1981. Jr secured a job at Osborn Manufacturing Co. which he worked for over 20 years. He then formed his own company, Ramron Grinding Wheels, and worked for 10 years.

Jr loved his church. He was a member of the Lily of the Valley Church in Geneva, OH and was ordained there in March of 1989. Jr was loved and respected by all and our loss is greatly felt.

We also want to express our gratitude to Br Scott Hamilton for all his help at Dad's Funeral and Service. Submitted by loving daughter, Regina and wife, Betty

Elder Denver Meade

July 23, 1939 – December 19, 2019

Denver Meade, 80 years of age, and a resident of Sheffield Lake, went lengthy illness. Denver was born July 23, 1939, in Deane, KY, where he born and raised until moving to Lorain in 1958. Sheffield Lake has been his home for the last 60 years.

Denver was an inspector at the Ford Motor Co. in Brookpark for 35 years until retiring in 1993. He ministered as a pastor at Old Regular Baptist Church in Sheffield Township since 1960. He enjoyed baking corn bread for gatherings, gardening, bird and squirrel watching, camping, fishing, and vacationing in the Smokey Mountains as well as Myrtle Beach. He loved his pet dogs and dearly treasured his family and grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife of sixty years Dema Sue (nee: Meade), his son Denver "Ray" Meade (Mignon) of Salem; daughters Sandra Fryfogle (William) of Sheffield Lake; Rebecca "Becky" Meade of Sheffield Lake; Amy Cashmer of KY; grandchildren Rebecca

Moran (Frank), Ray Allen Meade, Richard Bridge II, Ryan Meade, "Billy" William Fryfogle, and Rodney Johnson; four great grandchildren; his brothers Elmer Hall of Lorain, Bobby Meade of Sheffield Village, James Meade of KY, and his sister Ann Sisco of TX.

Denver was preceded in death by his siblings Arnold, Donald, Delano, Reba, Ruby, and Margaret; and his parents Millard and Stella Meade (nee: Yonts).

Friends may call Monday, December 23, 2019, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Hempel Funeral Home; 373 Cleveland Ave., Amherst. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. The Rev. Steve Slone and Larry Newsome of the Little Edna Old Regular Baptist Church of Sheffield Township will co officiate. Burial will follow at Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Amherst Township, Ohio.

Written with Love By His Family

Members

Marie Baker



Marie Baker (Tuttle), age 80, died on Saturday, February 15, 2020 at home after a long illness. She was born on July 6, 1939 in McDowell, Kentucky to William and Mary (Tackett) Newsome. Marie was raised on a small farm and was the middle child of thirteen brothers and sisters. All of her adult life to the onset of her illness, she cared for people with love, patience and faith. She married Orville (Shorty) Tuttle on December 3, 1954. They eventually settled in Willard, Ohio with their 3 children. Marie retired from Pepperidge Farm after working there for 16 years. She was loved by all who came in contact with her and will be remembered for her sweet demeanor. Marie enjoyed taking trips to Amish Country, participating in church activities and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Seeford Baker; her two daughters, Anna (Dave) Bores and Gail Langhurst; 9 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; her sister, Draxie Myers; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husbands, Orville (Shorty) Tuttle and Covis Tackett; and her son Steven Tuttle. Sister Marie will be missed greatly by her beloved husband who gave the best of care for her during her long illness. She will be missed by her family and her church family. She was a dedicated member of Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church since bringing her letter there in 2005.

Marie's funeral service was held at Secor Funeral Home in Plymouth, Ohio on Tuesday February 18, 2020. Officiating was Elder Larry Newsome. Burial was in Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth Ohio. May God bless and comfort you Brother Seeford and family.

Elder Larry and Sister Patsy Newsome

Darcus Barnett



Darcus Barnett, 93, of Hamden, passed away Saturday, May 2, 2020, at her residence. She was born February 25, 1927, in Martin County, Kentucky, Daughter of the late Mike and Sara Ousley. Darcus was the widow of the late Gay E. Barnett. She was a member of Maggie Home Church in Dundas, Ohio.

Darcus is survived by her sons, Roy (Gail) Barnett of Jackson and Raymond Barnett of Hamden; daughters, Bonnie (Ronald) Darby of Ashville, Sue Frazee of Groveport, Judy (Jerry) Keesee of McArthur, Vonda (Roger) Mercer of McArthur, Wonda (Charlie) Hall of Marietta, Patricia Hamilton of McArthur, Vileta (Andrew) Courts of Wellston and Anita (Mark) Ousley of Dundas; twenty-five grandchildren; forty-three great grandchildren and brothers, Dallas (Madge) Ousley of McArthur and Burley Ousley of McArthur.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Ronald Barnett; grandson, Travis Hamilton, brothers Arnold, Archie and Hermal Ousley and sister, Hazel Riffet, Ila Mae Dunlap and Lelia LeMay.

Private services will be held at Maggie Home Church, Dundas with Elder Donald Mullins, Elder Daniel Newsom and Elder Joe Gilliam officiating. Interment will be held in Elk Cemetery, McArthur. No visitation will be held.

Fannie Marie Burke, age 84 of Belleville, Michigan and formerly of Berlin Heights, Ohio passed away peacefully at home Wednesday July 21, 2021 following a long illness. She was born July 5, 1937 in Staffordsville, Kentucky, living in Berlin Heights since 1960 before moving to Belleville in December 2020.

She was a member of the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church in Litchfield, Ohio since August 8, 1982, where she served as a deaconess. She was baptized by Elders Stony Blackburn, Steve Borders and Mike Slone and Brother Cleophas Slone. Brother Bob was ordained June 2, 1984, and they served the Pleasant View Church as Deacon. She enjoyed being a home maker, gardening, canning, cooking, her grandchildren and going to church. She is survived by daughters Linda (Dean) Rogers of Biloxi, Mississippi, Betty Adkins of St. Petersburg, Florida, Judy (Dan) Vealey of Belleville, Michigan and by her son Eddie (Lynn) Burke of Norwalk, Ohio. Survivors also include 10 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild, 6 sisters, 2 brothers and numerous brothers and sisters in the Lord. She was preceded in death by her husband of over 50 years Bob Burke in 2006, her parents Bert & Lucille Pelphrey, 1 brother, 1 sister and 2 grandchildren and numerous brothers and sisters in Christ. Services were held at Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church on Tuesday July 27, 2021 with Elders of the Church officiating. Fannie was laid to rest at Riverside Cemetery, Berlin Heights, Ohio. She is greatly missed by her family and church family.

Audrey Ethel Bentley

March 19, 1940 - September 14, 2019



It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to Audrey Ethel Bentley, a very loved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Audrey was born on March 19th, 1940 and left this world on September 14th, 2019 when she lost her battle with Alzheimers. Through the sadness, we can take comfort in knowing that she will no longer suffer or feel any pain and she is reunited with her husband, Johnnie, and youngest son, Danny at her new home in Heaven.

Audrey's faith was a driving force in her life since a very young age. On January 22nd, 1961, she gave her life to God and joined Little Ida Church. She then joined Rose of Sharon church on September 17th, 1966 and has been a beloved sister to all ever since.

Audrey's heart was always full of love. She never met a person who she didn't love. It is hard to describe how deeply she cared about people. There are just no words to describe the depth of her love. If we all loved the way that she did, this world would be a much better place.

Audrey married the love of her life when she was just 19 years old. If anyone ever doubted true love, they should look at these two. Audrey and Johnnie were perfect together. They were joined by God and cherished God in their relationship.

Audrey is survived by her son John, her daughters Renee and Michelle, her grandchildren Jordan, Jonathan, Audra, Brandon, and Adam, and her great grandchildren Porter and Miller. Audrey cherished her family almost as much as she cherished God. She would always ask about her great grandsons who live in Texas and her eyes would light up. She also spoiled and cherished her grandkids as if they were royalty.

The last few years, she was in a nursing home because she needed extra care. While there, the staff told us how she always brightened their day and made them feel so special and loved. When Audrey was on her way to Heaven, one person said with tears in her eyes, "Who will tell me that I'm beautiful every day now?"

Audrey was a very special person. We are all better for having known her. We will never again meet someone quite like her. The world will look a little darker, but we can find comfort in knowing that Audrey is in a much better place and she will never suffer again. One day we will see her again and she will say that she loves us with all her heart and if you ask how she is doing, she will say better since I saw you.

Rest Peacefully Mawmaw.

We will miss you more than you know, but I am happy that you will never again feel any pain and I hope to see you again one day. Your name will live on, You will be in our hearts and We will all make you proud.

We love you.

Written by: Audrey's loving daughter Michelle and grandchildren Audra and Billy

Annetta Beverly

November 1, 1939- August 6, 2020,



Annetta Beverly, age 80 resident of Greenwich, Ohio passed away on Thursday, August 6, 2020, at Mercy New Life Hospice, in Lorain. She was born on November 1, 1939, in McDowell, Kentucky, to the late Add and Emma (Vanderpool) Vanderpool. Annetta was a wife, companion, a mother, a grandmother, sister and among others she was the rose to our family. Annetta enjoys cooking, sewing, spending time with her children and grandchildren and most of all, serving the Lord.

She will be deeply missed by her five children, Bobby Lynn Beverly of Willard, Gary Gene (Lake) Beverly of Willard, Debra Jane (the late, Jimmie) Vanderpool of Willard, Darlene (Steve) Kerby of Greenwich, Tammy Renee (Dan) Papai of Wellington; sixteen grandchildren; thirty three great grandchildren; a brother, Ronnie (Pat) Vanderpool of North Fairfield; three sisters, Avanel Hicks of New Haven, Linda Robinson of Willard, and Diane (Carl) Stevens of Willard and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Landis Beverly, whom she married on May 17, 1957 and was faithfully married for 58 years; two brothers Phil and Quince Vanderpool; two sisters, Owendale Gibson, Donna Hicks; a son in law, Jimmie Vanderpool and a granddaughter, Amber Annetta Beverly.

Annetta will be missed and remembered by many. She grew up with a nickname and once called herself Annetta Teddy. She was just a kind and gentle soul, but she was stubborn like no other. If she did not want to do it there was no changing her mind. There would be times that Grandpa would be cooking for Sundays on Saturday night and make a mess and say woman get in there and clean the mess up and she would tell him to get in there and clean it his self. Annetta never drove because she would get aggravated at Landis over his directions she said forget after putting the car in the ditch. Everyone should learn her shopping skills from Annetta because she would go through the whole store and pick things out and have a cart full and by the time, she left she would have just one

thing, Silly Grandma! When she was a kid, they would have to do chores and she would try to weasel her way out of them by saying she was going to the bathroom only returning when the chores were done.

She would want me to tell you how much she loved her family and friends and that showed to the day she died. She was always there for you and she always said she loved you forever and always. Her favorite place to be was right next to Landis outside on the swing while he was on the phone. She enjoyed blowing you kisses when you left and getting her hair braided by her granddaughter. She loved to laugh. She would love to argue with grandpa about who loved the grandkids more. When she hugged you, you could feel the love she offered. I honestly believe that she is where she wanted to be with Jesus and Grandpa.

She belonged to the Little Rebecca Church of the Old Regular Baptists in Plymouth, OH and served faithfully for 58 years giving her hand to the Church and declaring the Lord as her savior on June 5, 1962. She was the first one in our side of the family to be baptized into the one Lord and one Faith. By choosing the good part she was able to share the Love of Jesus Christ with her children, grandchildren, family and friends. Not knowing all the great effects of Gods work maybe from that one important decision of making peace with God and putting her light on a candlestick she was able to influence many lives and generations within our own family. She served many churches alongside her husband Landis, an ordained deacon for 35 years, being borrowed members at Little Bethel, Pilgrims Home and Family of Love Churches.

A mother has many sincere prayers and one that this mother had was for her children and loved ones to make eternal preparations that are required of us while we have life. She would want you to personally know the mercy, the grace and most importantly the great love that Jesus has for each one of you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. She spent 58 years walking with the Lord, dedicating nearly her whole life and well satisfied with all those years of trusting and serving the Lord. Her life as we know it has concluded in this land but she has been given a promise of eternal life by the one who saved her soul. We will always have the memories that her and grandpa gave us to cherish and hold near to our hearts. Never forgot the love that they had and the sacrifices they made for each of us. The pillars of our family have fallen but only for a short time for in the morning they will be raised a spiritual body in Christ presented with a body like unto his glorious body. Remember the lives they lived and what Jesus meant to them, they did their best to convince you that heaven is worth striving for. Look to 2nd Timothy verse 4:6-8:

For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Written with love and a broken heart by her grandson, Travis Cook and the help of her children and grandchildren. Until we meet again ... 08-10-2020

Malcolm Branham

November 25, 1939 – September 28, 2019



Malcolm J. Branham, son of the late Bill and Dollie (Case) Branham. On November 25, 1939, Dollie gave birth to a handsome young man with a head full of black, curly hair, and dark brown eyes. He married a young girl named Betty June Cook on July 1, 1961. They had 58 happy years of marriage before God took him home on September 28, 2019. He left behind to mourn his loss his wife Betty and six children: Michael (Shari) Branham, Tina Branham, Darren (Kari) Branham, Rhonda Mutchler, Lavonne Downing, and Glenda Branham. He also left behind 17 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Malcolm became a member of the Little Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church on July 25, 1981. He was baptized by Brother Buddy Carty and Brother Bill Collins. Church became a large part of his life. He would travel with Brother Buddy Carty and Brother Delmas Hall to churches in other states. He greatly enjoyed his church family. When he became ill and the brothers from the church would pray and sing with him, it seemed to give him a good day. Now he has nothing but good days in Heaven, with his thumbs in his front pockets and a smile waiting for the people he loves to get there.

It has been a hard year for all of us, but we know he isn't sick anymore. We know his life and how he lived it. He was a humble man with few negative words. He always told his children, "If you don't have anything good to say, keep quiet."

Malcolm loved his children, his grandkids, and great grandkids very much. Our little great granddaughter Gabi gave him her favorite stuffed puppy and told him to take it to Heaven with him. She would lay in bed with him, kiss his hands, and tell him "I love you Pop Pop". It touched all of us so much.

When the one you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure. Glory to God for a life well lived. We have a lovely family that he adored and who will miss him forever. As I sit her alone on this warm summer day, I remember how we would sit watching hummingbirds and butterflies. Our life together was simple, but that is how we wanted it to be. Loving our family and each other. We will love and miss him everyday of our lives. Until we meet again...

Written by his wife Betty, who will love him forever.

Arpie (Stacy) Coffey



With a sad and broken heart and with the help of the Dear Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we will write an obituary of our most beloved mother. Arpie (Stacy) Coffey, 94 of Ray, Ohio died Saturday Dec. 19, 2020. Arpie was a resident of Tarditions Nursing Home in Chillicothe for several years. She was born Feb. 25, 1926 in Knott County, Kentucky. She was the daughter of the late David and Louelzia Stacy. She was a homemaker and a 61 year member of Little Flock Old Regular Baptist Church. She loved her church and quilting. She also enjoyed making gingerbread. She was preceded in death by her husband, Liberty Coffey; son James; brothers; Green, Earl, Carl and Henry Stacy; one grandson; one granddaughter and one great-grandson. Surviving are one son, Gaylord (Marcia) of Indianapolis, Indiana; four daughters: Agatha and Bobbette (Paul) of Ray, Ohio; Glenda of Coalton, Ohio; and Jancie (Darrell) of Circleville, Ohio. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren. Mom was baptized in 1959 by the Brethren.

Mom and dad were blessed to raise plentiful gardens. Mom's delight was to can food to feed her family, friends and church people. Mom loved to quilt and gave them to friends for special occasions. She also took great joy in making tasteful gingerbread for everyone she knew. Mom will always hold a special place in our hearts. We will forever be thankful for all we shared during our times together. In our hearts she will live forever. We believe our loss is Heaven's gain. Mom's prayer was for the family to love each other and to fall out with sin and begin their journey from nature to grace. Nothing would make mother happier than being reunited with her family in Heaven. Written by Janice Presson and Glenda McGinnis.

Winford Coffey



Winford Coffey, age 89 passed on to his Heavenly Home on Tuesday, July 30, 2019. He was born on July 16, 1930 in Salyersville, KY. He married his sweetheart, Verna Skaggs on April 15, 1955. They were together in marriage 64 years. In 1996, he retired from Pioneer Balloon as a maintenance worker. He was a member of Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church for many years. He was a loving husband and father of 4 children. He is survived by his beloved wife, Verna (Skaggs) Coffey, and children; Pam (Doug) Shearer, Stanley Coffey, Steve Coffey and Teresa Coffey, along with 2 grandchildren; Kevin Shearer and Kristina Shearer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Columbus and Margaret (Wireman) Coffey and 13 brothers and sisters, Myrtle Coffey, Russell Coffey, Dormant Coffey, David Coffey, Mary Patrick, Liberty Coffey, Rebecca Moore, Curt Coffey, Susie Shepherd, Dan Coffey, Martha Frazier, Bertha Stacy and Edith Ousley.

He loved to talk and tell stories of the "good ole days". He had a great memory and would tell stories of things that happened in such detail, it seemed like he was telling something that just happened yesterday. He never knew a stranger. He loved horses, mules, raising copper nose beagles, hunting and having a BIG garden with lots of green beans. He owned a leather workshop with several leather sewing machines and made belts, dog collars, leads and harness. He will be forever LOVED by his family. We will see you again in our Heavenly Home dad.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 3, with Elder Larry Newsome officiating. Burial followed at the North Fairfield Cemetery. Missed by his family and church family as well.

Eli Creech

March 11, 1932 – NOVEMBER 2, 2019

Brother Eli was a long-standing member of The Little Family Church. He was born March 11, 1932 and fell asleep in Jesus arms November 2, 2019. He was one of the finest examples of a member who dearly loved the church I have known. Regardless of times or troubles he was experiencing he was there, in his seat at the church house. Even as he grew old and for many it would have been too difficult to make the attempt, he would be at church with the most memorable smile for everyone and a warm greeting.

As the years went by Brother Eli's hearing was failing. But you would see his eyes tear and you would see him with a special facial expression when he was feeling Gods spirit. On occasion he would grasp his hands together and you knew that was his way of rejoicing. His way of making it known he was feeling the Lord deep down in his soul.

He has been gone for many months now but rarely do I sit at my favorite place in The Little Family Church and not look at where he sat. Especially on Saturday meetings. He never missed the church work. He knew how important the decisions the church would make were and he didn't want to miss it.

He is greatly missed at Little Family. But we have no doubt by the witness he left us that our loss is heavens gain. We trust and believe that on that eternal day when Jesus comes for the saints, we will meet with Bro Eli again. Seems like (to me) he will have those hands grasp together as he so often did and will be rejoicing with all Gods little children. He will board that glorious cloud that will take us to heaven sweet heaven. Sleep on dear Brother, you deserve your rest. Until we meet again...

Written by: Elder Danny Carty

Ovid Duane Graves

October 17th, 1934 -- September 5th, 2020



Ovid Duane Graves, age 85 of Ray, OH, peacefully crossed over that Jordan River into his eternal home with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, September 5, 2020 surrounded by his loving family in the comforts of his home. After treading through a long and toilsome journey, he took that flight to his heavenly home in the sky. Duane knew there was a better home awaiting, "in the sky, Lord, in the sky" as he sang the song. Will the Circle Be Unbroken, every waking hour of his latter days. With the passing of our beloved husband, father, and grandfather our "circle" has been momentarily broken, but through our faith we know that someday our circle will once again be unbroken.

Duane was born on October, 17, 1934 to the late Carl and Naomi Gravese of Ray, OH. He grew up with seven brothers and one sister. At the age of seventeen Duane met his surviving, lifelong soulmate and devoted wife, Janice "Sister" (Warrens) Graves, whom he married on January 30, 1954. He is survived by their four children, daughter, Beverly (Don) Clark, of Savannah, GA; son, Kenny (Debi) Graves, of Chillicothe, OH; daughter, Diana (David) Moss, of Sissonville, WV; and daughter, Loretta (Terry) Jenkins, of Jackson OH. In all, he was blessed with 13 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren. He is also survived by brothers, Todd Graves and George (Bo) Graves; sister, Jan Snyder, and a numerous host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers Sam Hill, Ernie Graves, Delno Graves, Bill Graves, and Paul Smith.

Duane was a longtime member of Little Flock Old Regular Baptist Church, since 1983, where he met a multitude of lifelong friends, brothers, and sisters in Christ. He dedicated a large portion of his life to his church, camping and worshipping with the associations, his faith, and as a devoted witness through the years.

At age 18, Duane went to work at Meade Paper in Chillicothe, OH where he later retired in 1996 after forty-four loyal years of employment.

Although no longer with us, he has made an everlasting impression on so many. He set an unimaginable legacy that will never be forgotten. Duane had a passion for all children and deeply loved them as if they were his own. From the long walks, to the deep talks, from the loving kisses, to the stern switches. From the campfire stories while whittling sticks, throwing rocks in the creek, how fast the click ticks. Teaching the children to ride bikes down the hill, the lessons he's taught, we all remember still. The battle he fought he just couldn't let go, of all the love that will always flow. Through his hands you could read quite a story, from the callous' and lines, they showed years of hard work and worry. With calloused strong hands, he embraced ours too, during our frequent walks that he loved to do. As the years went by and the children grew, we held his hand gently as he taught us to do. Oh, how he left his mark engraved in everyone's lives. The imprints he made on each and every person he encountered leaves sacred precious memories that will linger forever. With our hands so big and his so weak, we held his tight so soft and sweet. Praying together down the long-traveled road, we knew it was time we just had to let go. Go home our beloved husband, father, grandpa and friend, we will be right behind you, we will all meet again.

Written by Family.

Curtis Hall



Curtis Hall, 75, passed away on Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at New Life Hospice Center in Lorain, Ohio. Curtis was born in Grethel, Kentucky on April 15, 1944 to his loving parents, Evan Hall and Zelly (Hamilton). He resided in Lorain most of his life.

Brother Curtis joined the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church August 7, 2011 and was baptized by Elders Larry Newsome and Jerry Caskey. Curtis enjoyed his church, Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist and being with his church brothers and sisters.

He was a father figure to all, helping anyone in any way he could. He loved his family and his dogs, Nickel and Lil' Bit. He had a great sense of humor and was always telling his funny jokes. He enjoyed riding his lawn mower, cutting his grass and helping his neighbors with their grass.

Curtis is survived by his daughter, Christina Hall; son, Curtis Hall Jr.; grandchildren, Bryan Hall, Alexis "Mia" Vargas, Hailey Hall, Tyler Franks and Brittany Campo; great grandson, Weston Franks; step-father, Hesa Ray Carroll; siblings, Charles Moore, Rolland Moore, David Carroll and Beverly Floyd; and several nieces and

nephews.

Curtis was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Shirley A. (VanHoose) Hall; parents, Evan Hall and Zelly Carroll; and siblings.

Funeral Services were held at Reidy-Scanlan-Giovannazzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services on Saturday, June 15, 2019. Burial was held at Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Amherst Ohio. Officiating were his church ministers.

Curtis will be greatly missed by his family and church family,
Elder Larry and Sister Patsy Newsome

Flossie Floetine Hamilton Hall



Our precious wife and mother, Flossie F. Hall, entered into her eternal resting place on September 17th, 2020 at Jefferson Health Care Center with her family by her side.

Mom was born on March 11th 1943 in Beaver, Kentucky the youngest daughter of the late Keenis and Frankie (Mullens) Hamilton. She was a graduate of McDowell High School class of 1959 and enjoyed many trips home to Kentucky for her class reunions.

She married the love of her life, my father Randall, on March 11th 1961. Together they shared over 59 years of love and happiness. They were a true example of how a marriage should be, never arguing all the years they were together. They set an example of how people should live their lives by showing kindness and respect for each other and everyone they knew. They truly believed in being kind, respectful and compassionate to one another.

For many years together they attended Lily of the Valley Old Regular Baptist Church in Geneva with the members of the church becoming our extended family. She loved and cherished going every Sunday to church services and afterwards having lunch with family. She loved to be called Mama by her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Mom just loved to spend time with them, teaching them right from wrong, and to be kind to others.

Mom and dad loved to travel when she was in better health, especially taking trips down south where they would travel with their siblings. She always loved flowers of all types but especially loved her roses. Dad never missed a birthday or anniversary giving Mom big, beautiful fresh cut flowers. They would sit out on the back deck and watch the hummingbirds and finches on the bird feeders and laugh when the squirrels would come around chasing the birds away. She was a wonderful cook making the best fried chicken, meatloaf and may other family favorites. Her peanut butter fudge was just the best. She made it without a recipe and it was always perfect.

In addition to her husband, Randall, left to cherish her memory is her son, Julius Hall of Jefferson and her daughter Melissa (Dario) Zgoznik of Painesville; her sister Ival Newsome; her grandchildren Sarah, Frank, Christine and Kelly (Tim). Her great-grandchildren, Annabelle, Jasmine, Jayden, Malaki, Paul Jr, Alana, Joey, Rachel, Brittany, Kevin and Olivia. Her great-great-grandchildren Athena, Dakota and Alora.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers Tolby, Claude, Ishmal, Odra, and Burchell Hamilton and her sisters Jean Vance, Avenil Ray, Ethel Hamilton and Genene Slone.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on September 24th, 2020 at Lily of the Valley Old Regular Baptist Church 534 Kiwanis Park Dr., Geneva, OH 44041 with Pastor Scott Hamilton and Evan Hamilton officiating. Burial will be at Oakdale Cemetery, Jefferson, Ohio.

Calling hours will be held from 4-6 pm on Wednesday September 23rd, 2020 at the Ducro Funeral Home 524 Elm Avenue, Ashtabula, Ohio 44004.

Beatrice Lorene (Tackett) Hamilton

April 4, 1934 - August 6, 2019



Clerk Note: The clerks of the Northern New Salem want to extend the Hamilton Family our deepest apologies for the error in this obituary that was printed in the 2019 Northern New Salem Minute.

It is with heavy and broken hearts that we have set about the task of writing the obituary of our treasured and dear mother. Volumes could be filled about her life, but we will strive to keep it to a reasonable length.

Beatrice Lorene Hamilton (Tackett) was born April 4th, 1934 in Virgie, KY to Milton and Pearl Tackett, and left this life the evening of August 6th, 2019, making her stay on this side of heaven 85 years, 4 months and 2 days.

She graduated from Vinton High School in Vinton, Ohio in 1952. Following her graduation from high school, Beatrice took a job as a key punch operator in Columbus, Ohio where she remained employed until the death of her father in July 1955, at which time she returned home to assist her mother.

Shortly after her return to southern Ohio she wed Ray Hamilton on May 24th, 1956. Mom and Dad recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. For more than 60 of those years, dad has been a preacher in the Old Regular Baptist Faith...where the life of the spouse can be filled with great joy, but also have its fair share of trials and tribulations. Mom lived this life with unfailing dedication and incredibly hard work. Dad's love and loyalty to the church had an enormous impact on Mom's life and thus she was called to be baptized as a member of the Rose of Sharon Church on the 18th of May, 1969 where she remained an active and much-loved member until her death.

The loving union of Ray and Beatrice produced four children; Dolores (Ronnie) Adkins of Southgate, MI; Wanda (Dennis) Ray of Carleton, MI; Kevin (Robin) Hamilton of Defiance, Ohio; and James (Renee) Hamilton of Monroe, MI.

Mom and dad have 16 grandchildren: Ronnie Jr (Mary) Adkins, Melissa (Mark) Kochanoski, Christa (Justin) Tepper, Jennifer (Jim) Delvero, Jamie (Michael) Clemons, Jordan Henry, Anthony Hamilton, Beatrice Hawk, Taryn (Zach) Weick, Dylan Hamilton, Tim Ray, Ben Ray, Bailee Ray, Kevin Ryan Hamilton, Hallie Hamilton, and Ben Nevers as well as 24 Great Grandchildren.

Beatrice is remembered with love and fondness for her unwavering devotion to her children and grandchildren, her love of baking, gardening and canning as well as her desire to ensure anyone that visited the Hamilton household departed with a full belly. Many a visitor commented that her pies, cakes and rolls were the best they had ever tasted.

Beatrice was a devoted mother to her children, a doting “mammaw” to her grandchildren and a beloved “Aunt Beat” to her many nieces and nephews. Mom taught us all many lessons thru the years, but if there was something specific she desired to teach us – it was to have the capacity to love... to love ourselves and each other. The love she gave us was so deep that her loss is almost more than our hearts can bear, a love without bounds or conditions. Her love wasn’t selfish or reserved only for her own kin... mom loved all children; babies made her exceedingly happy, and made her smile, even to her very last days. The love mom showed us was not merely so that we would love her back, but a lesson for us to love one another, and to love and cherish our own families.

The last few years of Mom’s life became increasingly difficult for her... and as hard as it is to admit for us, it was tough on her caregivers too. She frequently struggled to find the words she needed to tell us things, so conversations were often very frustrating for her, even though it was very clear that she still craved that one on one connection she shared with each of us. We were never in doubt about one thing though – and that was that she still loved us; through all of her struggles you could always feel that love. All of us spent many hours with her simply sitting side by side holding her hand, sharing that unbreakable bond between a mother and her children. We will all miss that seemingly simple act terribly.

Mom, we know that you’re finally at peace, that you’re better off, and that when we meet again we will have so much to talk about because your struggles communicating will be over, but we are going to miss you so much! The love you’ve left us with will never die and for that we are eternally grateful and thank you. Even though our hearts are broken, we’re glad you’re finally home with the angels!

Paraphrased verses from the song Go Rest High on That Mountain describe our feelings.

“Oh how we cried the day you left us, gathered round your bed to grieve.

So go rest high on that mountain, mom, your work on earth is done. Go to heaven a-shoutin’, love for the father and the son.”

We love you, mom. Written by her broken-hearted children.

Ernest Hamilton

February 5, 1945 – March 10, 2019



With great honor, I will endeavor to honor the life of a highly respected Brother in Christ, Brother Ernest Hamilton, a native of Floyd County, Kentucky, a resident of Piketon in Pike County, Ohio. He resided here until March 10, 2019, on a Sunday when suddenly he lost his life in a car accident. He was born February 5, 1945 at Craynor in Floyd County, Kentucky, to the parents of the late Edna Tackett and Garfield Hamilton. God blessed Brother Ernest to live upon this good earth 74 years, one month, and five days, time on earth that he used wisely. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Thomas and Danny Hamilton, and a sister, Goldie Hunter. He is survived by one sister Genevive Shipley.

On June 4, 1965, as the days of lovely spring were giving way to the warmer days of summer, he slipped a wedding ring of purest gold on the finger of a beautiful young lassie of which he had eyes for many days, telling his heart that someday she would become his loving wife. So it was on this date the two became one. This beautiful young lady was Priscilla Maxine Hamilton. They dwelled in a little house that would soon become a home. In this little home every crack and corner was filled with love. Soon God blessed them to become a loving and devoted mother and father to two sons; Kerry Kevin (Beth) Hamilton of Granville, Ohio, Kerby Ken Hamilton of Piketon, Ohio, and one daughter, Katrina Kaye (Chad) Queen of Chillicothe, Ohio. Four grandchildren; Kylie Brooke and Paige Elizabeth Hamilton, Trystan Queen, and Tristen Boedicker, all gifts from God.

On the second weekend in November 1966, at a very young age, Brother Ernest came forward, not being ashamed of telling of his travel from nature to grace. He was received and baptized into full love and fellowship of the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church on Big Mud Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, by the hands of the late Elders John B. and Hershel Hamilton. It was here he gleamed in the field like little Ruth, gathering food for his hungry soul. After moving to Beaver, Ohio, in 1969, he took his membership to Little Ettie Old Regular Baptist Church. He was a faithful and devoted member here, serving them as their clerk for many years until his departure. Brother Ernest was a very meek and humble Brother. One who showed his love by speaking in a soft, gentle voice, by his humble, caring life

he lived and letting his light shine caused others to see and realize that he was a child of the King. Ernest had a zest for life, a joy to be on the battlefield working for the Lord, visiting the sick, and being concerned for their needs.

Brother Ernest attended a two-room school as a little boy, a graduate from Betsy Layne High School, attended Alice Lloyd College, and received his B.S. in education from Pikeville College in 1969. It was then he began his teaching career in the Scioto Valley Local School District as a junior high math teacher. Ernest served as principal at several schools in Pike County. It was in 1998 he was named superintendent of Scioto Valley Local School District, where he served for six years.

In 1994 he was named superintendent of Pike County (Ohio) schools. After retiring in 1999, he served as superintendent for Zane Trace Local School District in Chillicothe, Ohio. I am sure by his humble life, he touched and inspired many young boys and girls, instilling in them about the goodness of the Lord and what a joy it was to live a Christian life. In 1988 he was named "Educator of the Year", by the Ohio State PTA.

Brother Ernest, even though you left us so suddenly, you left us precious memories that will comfort us that remain here, waiting for that day in which we hope to join you in a land of pure delight. By meeting you on life's pathway, our lives have been enriched. For all this, we will be forever thankful and look forward to meeting you again, in a land with no measure of time.

In Christ's Love, Brother Hillard Newsome

Johnny & Christine Newsome



It is with honor and a broken heart that I will write an obituary of my sweet parents, Johnny and Christine (Coleman) Newsome.

Mom at 84 years old, passed away September 4, 2019 at Maple Hills Nursing Home in McArthur. She was born November 8, 1934 in Pike County, Kentucky to the late Jesse and Pansy Anderson Coleman.

Dad at 83 years old, passed away October 30, 2020 at his residence in McArthur. He was born December 14, 1936 in Pikeville, Kentucky to the late Harvey and Katie Hall Newsome. Both were preceded in death by both sets of parents and several siblings.

They both came from big families with 19 children on mom's side and 20 children on dad's side.

Mom and Dad both accepted Christ as their Savior in 1963 and became members of the Old Regular Baptist Church. Their membership was at Maggie's Home Church in Dundas, Ohio. Their faith was forever strong and never wavered.

Mom and dad were devoted to each other for 67 years. Mom was a caring, gentle, loving wife and mother and grandmother. Mom cared for many children besides her own. She held daycare in her home in Cardington. Then when they moved to Florida, she worked as daycare provider at First Baptist Day Care. Dad was a loving and caring husband, father and grandfather. Although strict with our upbringing, we knew he loved and cared for us very much. Dad had many jobs through the years, even started his own business, Newsome and Sons Auto Repair while also being an auto technician at JC Penney. Dad was with the company many years before retiring. Dad was never afraid of work. One thing for sure is mom and dad provided for their children. All their life they saved and did without just so their children would have something.

The path of mom and dad's good works are left in our memories. Those memories are treasures that no one can take away. Tears may fade, but in our hearts you'll always stay. We love and miss you!

Written by your loving daughter, Deborah (Newsome) Harper

Pauline Newsome



Pauline Reynolds Newsome, age 74, born on May 15, 1946 in Floyd County, Kentucky passed away Sunday, December 27, 2020 due to complications from COVID.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend to many. She loved to travel and spend time with her family. In her younger years, she and her good friend Barb Keathley would visit many people and sing for them.

Pauline is survived by her children, Sondra (Mike) Bruce, Lolita (Dave) Watring, and Gregory (Monica) Newsome; grandchildren, Amber (Dan) Kraft, Shaun (Crystal) Bruce, Craig Watring, Trevor Watring, Xander Newsome, Alexia Kraft, Logan Kraft, Nova Bruce, and Jaxon Kraft; sisters, Billie Faye Finnetzer, Loretta Reynolds, and Mabel Martin; and her brother, Ronnie Reynolds.

She was preceded in death by her loving Husband, James; parents, Walter and Nannie Reynolds; stepmother, Edith Reynolds; brothers, Charles, Emmitt, Danny, Larry, Wendell, Glen, and Donnie; and her sisters, Ella Ruth, Augustine, and Emogene.

Pauline was a woman of faith. She will be missed by many but never forgotten. She loved going to church and hearing good preaching. She would often listen to tapes of preaching and say she had a good meeting.

Funeral service was held at 1:00 p.m. at Dovin Reber Jones Funeral Home in Amherst Ohio on December 31, 2020. Pastor Larry Newsome officiated. Pauline was laid to rest in Crownhill Cemetery in Amherst Ohio.

Written by family and Elder Larry and Sister Patsy Newsome

William Patterson



It is with much sadness in our hearts, we will try, with the Lord's help, to write this obituary. William was better know as Pat or Bill. He was born on February 9th 1928, in Wyandotte, MI and left this world on November 13, 2020. His parents were Mildred LaBeau, and Adam Edward Patterson. He was the oldest of seven children, three boys and four girls. His mother, father and two brothers preceded him in death.

He met the love of his life, Eva Glo Tackett, and they were married August 10th 1957, at the Little Ida Church. He was so dedicated to Sister Eva and his church. They never had any children, but were parents and grandparents to many nieces and nephews. They loved these children, as their own.

Brother Pat and sister Eva, joined the Little Ida Church the same day. Sister Eva joined at the church, and Brother Pat joined at the water, on July 13, 1986. Brother Pat was voted in as Assistant clerk in 1990. They worked hard to help the Church, in any way they could, until their health failed them. By a move and second, in June 2020, Brother Pat was given the title of honorary assistant clerk, for the remainder of his life. He was so deserving of this honor. Brother Pat was such a humble and caring brother. He was not a man to complain, even in his last days. He will be dearly missed, by all, who know him.

Our life on earth is a journey, that begins, the day we are born, and ends in death. Along this journey we experience much happiness and much sorrow. The Bible tells us that it will rain on the just, as well as the unjust, and sadly, that leaves no one out. But, if we have accepted Jesus, as our Lord and Savior, he will give us the strength, to get through the things, that we thought we would never be able to endure.

He is always with us in the good times and in the bad times. Blessed is the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Rest on Brother William, your reward awaits you.

Written by wife, Eva Glo, and sister Ethel Johnson

Minnie Prater



Our Sister in Christ, Minnie Prater left her earthly home for her Heavenly home on December 3, 2020.

Minnie was born in Pikeville, Kentucky on June 24, 1940 to the late Jesse Coleman and Pansy Anderson Coleman Stewart making her stay on earth 80 years, 5 months and 9 days.

On November 18, 1960 Minnie married the love of her life, Harold Dean Prater who preceded her in death in 2008. They were happily married for 48 years. Always a God fearing woman, Minnie gave her life to God and joined the Old Regular Baptists as a member at Maggie's Home Church in Dundas Ohio in 1972.

Minnie's only hobbies were her grandchildren and she rarely missed any event that they told her about from school functions, birthday parties and sporting events. She was always proud of them regardless of wins or losses.

Minnie retired from Huston's Nursing Home after 38 years of service. Minnie was preceded in death by her parents, beloved husband Harold, son Matthew and grandson Matthew Ryan, brothers Elmer and Jessee and sisters Hester, Madeline Ratliff, Irene Williams, Luis Prater and Christine Newsome..

Minnie is survived and dearly missed by her sons Larry (Donna), Danny (Carol Anne), and Keith (Ella), grandchildren Dean, Shawn and Peyton Prater, Sarah Ray and Grace York, great grandchildren Kayden, Colton, Jordan, Briggs, Urijah and Josie, Brothers Oydell, Arthur, Roy, Robert, Marshall, Luster Dean, Chan and Terry, sisters Ester Coleman, Lerlie Peoples and Charlene Peoples.

God Bless You All.

Malta Ethel Pack

April 4, 1934 – July 29, 2020



Malta Pack, (nee Vance), of Seven Hills passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Jesse Pack for 63 years; loving mother of Mary Horvath (Mark), cherished grandmother of Kimberly Kuchta (Matt), Stephanie Stepsis (Toby), and Mark Horvath Jr. (Caitlyn); great grandmother of Brady, Owen, Grace, Blake, Gavin, McCayla, Madelyn, Hannah, and Mason. Dear sister of Janice, Joyce Doffey, Sandra and Inez (deceased). Malta led an exemplary Christian life and enjoyed a variety of activities such as baking, sewing, and reading. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. They were the light of her life. All services will be private. Flowers may be sent to Vodrazka Funeral Home, 6505 Brecksville Rd., Independence for Tuesday, August 4, 2020. Interment at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery 10175 Rawiga Rd, Seville, OH on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at 9:30 AM. Masks required.

Love and Missed by her Daughter Mary and Family

Sister Malta Pack was a wonderful sister and will be greatly missed by the Little Edna Church. Malta was a light to all those around her and her light shined in such a way that gave glory and honor to God. She bore the fruits as a child of the king (love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance) Galatians 5:22-23. Sister Malta was a joy to be around and she was example to us all, of how Christian is walk. I believe that she walked with God and will now reign with him.

Written by Elder Steve Slone on behalf of The Little Edna Church

Verda Shepherd



Verda Shepherd, age 95, resident of Plymouth, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Friday, December 11, 2020 at Blossom Nursing and Rehabilitation in Willard. She was born on January 15, 1925 to the late Siefas and Artie (Tuttle) Collins and had been a resident of Willard, Plymouth, and Greenwich most of her life. Most important in her life was being a member of Little Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church in Plymouth and spending time with her family.

Verda is survived by two sons, Darrell (Marilyn) Shepherd of Shelby and Jerry (Vicki) Shepherd of Norwalk; four daughters, Barbara (Clark) Dorr of Malvern, OH, Linda (Kent) Dorr of Mansfield, Sharon (Bill) Braker of Norwalk and Debbie (Don) Carpenter of Trenton, OH; 13 grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; brother-in-law, David Pyullum and sisters-in-law, Dolores Collins and Ellaree Collins. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, Mitchell Shepherd in 2011; three sisters, Hazel Pullum, Virgie King and Irene Storie and three brothers, Eurmelee Collins, Roy Collins, and Bill Collins.

Verda's funeral service will be private. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Little Rebecca Church by sending them to Secor Funeral Home, 202 W. Maple Street, Willard, Ohio 44890.

Mildred Irene Sparks Stone



Butler --- Mildred Irene Sparks Stone, 94, of Butler, passed away Saturday, December 5, 2020 at home surrounded by her loving family.

The daughter of Robert and Myrtle (Holbrook) Wilson, Mildred was born January 8, 1926 in Carter County, Kentucky and graduated from Erie High School in 1944. Mildred was a very determined lady who dealt with many seemingly insurmountable obstacles in her life, including being left a widow at the age of 39 with 10 children to raise. With the help of the Lord and a great deal of courage, she overcame these obstacles and created many wonderful, happy memories for her children and grandchildren.

Her family will miss the many interesting stories of her childhood, poems, and songs which she still remembered and could recite word for word. She was never too busy to have a cup of coffee with a friend or neighbor and often helped those less fortunate than her.

Mildred retired form Gorman Rupp Industries after working 13 years. She enjoyed crocheting, quilting, sewing and gardening. She was always looking for a good bargain found at the local garage sales, auctions and Goodwill. Mildred will be remembered for her unwavering love for her family.

She is survived by her children Donna (Larry) Bence of Mansfield, Cynthia (Edward) Keiper of Ashland, David Sparks of Bellville, Raymond (Trude) Sparks of Bellville, Frederick (Melissa) Sparks of Butler, James Sparks of Butler, Timothy (Deborah) Sparks of Jacksonville, Florida, Jefferey (Ruth) Sparks of Galena, and Daniel Sparks of Butler; 27 grandchildren; 43 great grandchildren; one great great granddaughter; numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband Arlon Sparks in 1965 and second husband Richard Stone in 1996; son Kevin Sparks; daughter-in-law Joyce Sparks; siblings Noah Wilson, Gracie Wilson, Lola Wilson, Christine Wilson, Woodrow Wilson, Maxine Gregory, Kathleen Blevins, Herbert Wilson, Robert Wilson, Betty Miller, Bessie Smith and Homer Wilson.

Margie Sword



Oscar and Patience Compton had twelve children. The baby girl was Margie Jeanette, born on March 12, 1925. Margie adored her parents. The family, like all the families in the south, worked hard. She worked 31 years at General Motors.

She leaves behind one son, David (wife Terri) and granddaughter Kailee. Her older son Dan (wife Faye) who preceded her in death last year and a host of friends.

Margie would fly to South Carolina for Thanksgiving each year. It pained her heart to give this up. She loved her family and so many friends.

Margie gave her hand to Little Ida in 1964 and I gave my hand in 1974. We were always so close. My family loved her also, like everyone else that met her.

Margie was a trooper! Full of surprises! Her faith made so many things possible. The stories she could tell about how good the Lord was to her! Oh, how good and faithful our Savior is!

When she quit the senior citizens and couldn't drive anymore, she understood she would have to give up some things. But now matter what, she praised the Lord that much more! When we would go out to eat, she would like to go to Sanders and get ice cream.

Margie was getting tired of this ole world. She would always say that she didn't understand why God didn't call her home. The Lord called her home Sunday night, see, He wasn't late -- He was right on time.

Proverbs 21:10

Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies.

Written by Sister Lillie Mae Johnson

Collie Eldred Tackett

September 9, 1933- October 24, 2019



It is with sadness, but also the comfort of a grand reunion one day that I write the obituary of my father Collie Eldred Tackett. He was born on Long Fork near Virgie KY on September 9th 1933 to Charles and Dakota (Fouts) Tackett. He was the second born of 5 children and preceding him in death were his parents, his wife Betty Mullins Tackett and his oldest sister Juanita Johnson Tackett. He departed this world on October 24th 2019 and was laid to rest on October 28th. His father was buried on October 28th in 1968 and his mother passed on that same day in 1970. He leaves behind 3 children, Sherry Tackett of Phoenix AZ, Lisa Tackett of Lincoln Park MI and Steve (Sharessa) Tackett of Davisburg MI. He also leaves behind 2 brothers Kenneth and Mallie and his sister Nora Mullins. He was a devoted member of the Little Ida church for 55 years and enjoyed attending services there and visiting other churches in Kentucky until his health no longer permitted him to travel. He

enlisted in the Marines in 1952 and was a tank operator while in Korea. He worked at Great Lakes Steel in Ecorse MI as a heavy equipment mechanic for 41 years and was very good at his profession. He loved his family very much and enjoyed taking them on outdoor adventures from Michigan to the mountains of North Carolina. He was an avid fisherman as well and loved to fish with his wife Betty and his children. He was diagnosed with Alzheimer's about 15 years ago, but he did not let that slow him down. He would always say "You have to take what you have and do the best you can with it." He was a loving and gentle man that always had a smile on his face and willing to lend a helping hand. He loved the Lord and was a faithful servant. He lived his truth and never wavered from it, even when he did not remember his own name. He would pray such humble prayers that everyone listening could feel their power and were touched by them. He witnessed to countless souls in the last few months of his life at the assisted living and brought workers who cared for him to tears. His physical and spiritual strength endured until the last moments of his life. He left this world with his children by his side while they sang Amazing Grace. When we finished the song, we noticed he had passed on with no struggle and not making a sound. I envisioned him hearing us singing in the background as he was welcomed home by my mom and his family that had been waiting so long to see him again. He always lived his truth and was the same beautiful God-fearing man every day. He will be greatly missed by his children, extended family and many friends.

Written by his son, Collie Steven Tackett

McKinley (Kennel) Tackett

March 19, 1928- October 24, 2019



McKinley (Kennel) Tackett was born on March 19, 1928 in Pikeville, Kentucky. He was from a family of nine. His mother was Jettie (Fields) and her mother was Martha Ray and her father was Marion Fields. His father was Perry Tackett and Perry's mother was Rebecca Elswick and his father was William Tackett.

He was preceded in death by sisters Martha, Virlie and Cora Lee and brothers Bill, Cutis, Sammy and Lonnie and survived by one brother Charles. Kennel moved to Michigan for work in 1948 and there he met Esta Martin. She went back to Kentucky so he left Michigan and went back to Kentucky for the love of his life Esta. They married November, 1949 and had their first daughter in 1951 Sharon (George) then moved back to Michigan in December, 1952. During this time he and Esta went on to have seven more children in Michigan. Diana (Chris), Kenneth (Gail), Philip, Perry (Debbie), Sherri (Rick), Lida (Rich) and Lana (Craig). He is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren. Kennel went to work at Great Lakes Steel and worked there for the next 30+ years before retiring.

Through all the children he raised he worked all he could and would still come home and work on cars which he enjoyed so much. He loved to take his sons and grandsons hunting. He also gardened, growing vegetables, various fruit trees and raspberry vines to make homemade jelly.

He taught us so much from his life and our mom's. There were a lot of hard times but we know they loved their entire family from children, grandchildren to great grandchildren. The gleam in their eyes and the smile on their face showed their love for family.

Kennel attended the Little Ida Church in Ecorse, Michigan and the Rose of Sharon Church in South Rockwood, Michigan and enjoyed making chicken and dumplings for the meetings. He was later baptized in August, 2016 and received his membership at the Rose of Sharon Church in South Rockwood.

Kennel suffered with dementia for years before his body and mind had all it could take. He laid down on August 31st and passed away on September 2, 2019 to be with his one and only Esta (on her birthday) to celebrate being together again.

Written by Sherri Tackett Remnant and Lida Tackett Chapple

Yvonne Tackett

2/18/1938 -- 8/9/2019



With many sweet memories in mind of a dear one we loved so well, and with God's help, I will try to honor this dear Sister by writing and obituary and tribute to her life here on earth. Yvonne Tackett was born to the late Ochra and Della Amburgey Sexton on February 18, 1938 in Beaver Dam, Kentucky. She was one of 12 children and most of them had preceded her in death except for one brother and 2 sisters. She is survived by her one son, Alan Duane Tackett and his 4 children and one great granddaughter and a host of nieces and nephew. On April 28, 1960, Yvonne was married to the love of her life, Efford Tackett, and was blessed with almost 59 years together. Brother Efford preceded her in death just 7 months before her passing. She mourned his death so sorely while battling her own poor health conditions as well. On August 9, 2019, she answered the call to go and rest with Brother Efford and a host of many other saints gone by, leaving behind

family and friends to mourn her passing.

In 1986, Yvonne saw her need of a Savior and repented of her sins. She received that saving Grace and was baptized into the Little Ida Old Regular church on July 27, 1986. Brother Efford had previously been baptized into the Old Regular Baptist family and brought his letter to Little Ida not long before she gave her hand. They were blessed to walk together, serving the Lord, enjoying their salvation for many years. She and Brother Efford were very happy Christians and so enjoyed their fellowship in the church. They loved the old songs of Zion and to have good spiritual meetings to worship God.

Soon after Efford retired, he longed to be back in Kentucky as many folks who migrated north back in the day had experienced before him. They sold their house in Michigan and moved to Camp Branch, Ky and lived there until their deaths. Not long before they both passed away, they began to miss the church family at Little Ida desperately and longed to be able to travel back to Michigan at least one more time to see everyone. She often spoke of how they longed to surprise the Little Ida Church sometime and just come walking in the door. Oh how the church would have loved to have seen that happen! Sadly, both of their health issues prevented the long trip here to accomplish that wish.

Our family began to form a tradition with them a few years before their passing. When we all would gather together for holidays and birthday celebrations, we would end the day by calling them on the phone and singing some old songs of Zion and holding prayer for them. Sister Yvonne loved the song, "Like a Ship, See the Church" and that was usually one that was sung during those phone calls. We would all get a lift in our spirits to hear their joy over the phone and to hear them say how much they loved us all and missed us so very much. We still miss those times but know that they are resting from their labors and enjoying being in the presence of our Savior.

Brother Randy and I were blessed to visit them in their home in Ky a few years back. Yvonne was an avid quilter and she delighted in showing us the many beautiful quilts she had made over the years. She loved Christmas and kept a decorated tree in several rooms of her house all through the year with different themes. It was a joy to see. When we had to part, it was so bitter sweet with many hugs and tears and so many "I love yous" being said between us. It was a hard thing to do by driving away from them and their good humble home. Two years ago, we met them again at a place to eat in Whitesburg for dinner after we had attended the New Salem Association. We did not realize it would be our last embrace, our last "I love you" on this side of the river. I'm so glad God gave us the opportunity to say our last farewell here. Their many years spent at the Little Ida Church will be in our hearts and our memories for years to come as God permits. I feel that in the final morning when Jesus calls us forth from the graves and this old earth, to take us to the home prepared for God's children, we will meet again to never more part. What a sweet and glorious reunion that will be! Rest on our dear Sister until we meet again.

Written by one who was privileged to know her,
Sister Debbie Caudill

Betty Jane Thacker

November 19, 1932 – March 2 2019



Mrs. Betty Jane (Adkins) Thacker, age 86, of Jeffersontown returned to her Heavenly father on March 2, 2019. Mrs. Thacker was born on November 19, 1932 in Pike County, KY to the late Chris and Frankie (Mullins) Adkins. Mrs. Thacker was a homemaker, devoted and loving wife, mother, granny, and great granny. She was a faithful member of the Antioch Old Regular Baptist Church.

Among those that preceded her in death are her loving husband, Buster Thacker; brothers, Paul, John, and Ed Adkins; and sisters, Ruby Caulfield, Imal Rowe, Reable Coleman, Peggy Adkins, Ozell Bibb, and Edith Gillespie. She leaves to cherish her memory her children, Barry Thacker (Mary), Pam Gooch (Gary), and Vivian Wilson; grandchildren, Shaun Wilson (Susan), Laura Long (Justin), Daniel Thacker (Stephanie), Julie Hayes (Matthew), Justin Gooch (Amanda), and Evan Gooch (Sara); her adored 10 great grandchildren; brother, Bennett Adkins (Ethel); and sister, Carol Alvey. Her

love will linger in our hearts through our precious memories of her.

Garfield Thacker



Garfield was born May 1, 1950, to the late Elder Frank and Jossie Thacker. He was called Home to our Lord Jesus Christ on December 17, 2020, after a lifetime of sickness. He leaves behind his wife, Diana Thacker, three children, James and Jerri Thacker, Sherry and Kevin Miracle, Christine and Steve Damron, five grandkids, Eric Thacker (Adopted grandson), Jacob and Jalyn Thacker, Briana and Linsey Miracle. Also, two sisters, Alice Thacker, and Berna Blackburn, four brothers, Elder Frank Thacker Jr., Elder A.B. Thacker, Donnie Thacker, and Joe Thacker. He was preceded in death by two infant brothers, Hazard and Jewett Thacker, he often mentioned them in his preaching. Two older sisters, Alene Conway and Geneva Conway. Garfield joined the Philadelphia Old Regular Baptist Church on May 19, 1991. He was baptized by Jim Green May and Frank Thacker Jr. He was

ordained as a deacon on October 19, 1991, and as an Elder on May 21, 1994. Garfield served Little Hattie Old Regular Baptist Church as a borrowed deacon for years. He served as assistant moderator and deacon of the Bethlehem Old Regular Baptist Church in the NSA for several years. He moved his letter to Greasy Creek Old Regular Baptist Church on October 4, 2000. He served as assistant moderator there for 19 years and as moderator for one year.

All his silly smiles, goofy jokes and dumb antics will forever fill our hearts and memories with laughter.

Written by his Loving Family

Mary Violet Thornsbery



Mamaw was a wise and sweet woman who we will miss terribly. Her beautiful voice singing hymns and her loving arms surrounding us in warm hugs.

With a broken heart yet with the Lord's guidance, I will write the obituary of our Mother. Mary Violet (Maynard) Thornsbery, 90, of Alliance Ohio passed peacefully away Monday, May 11, 2020 at McCrea Manor Nursing Home after a long beautiful life. Mary Violet was born on April 27, 1930 in mountains near Greenup KY, daughter of the late William Harless and Bertha Louise (Albright) Maynard.

She was preceded in death by her husband Herbert Thornsbery and she is the loving mother of three daughters; Tamara (Michael) Shank of Avilla IN, Beatina (Thomas) Rice of Randolph OH, and the late Bertha Kaye "Tootie" Collins and she is also the mother of one son, Shane Thornsbery of Elyria OH.

Mamaw's greatest pleasures in this life were her were her six grandbabies Sarah, Nathaniel, Israel, Megan, Leah

and Allison; and her 14 great grandbabies who she loved dearly.

Mary Violet is survived by one sister Naomi (Maynard) Burroughs of Colorado, and was preceded in death by five sisters and four brothers.

Sister Violet was a faithful member of the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church in Litchfield, OH, having given her hand to our Lord on October 7, 1979 and being baptized by Elders Stony Blackburn, Hayes Chaffins and J. E. Tolliver. She attended church regularly until failing health prevented her from traveling. She lived a true and faithful life and taught us children about a wonderful God. She taught us there is a place for us in Heaven if we just believe in the Lord for the pardon of our sins.

Mamaw was a wise and sweet woman who we will miss terribly, her beautiful voice singing hymns and her loving arms surrounding us in warm hugs.

Graveside services were held Thursday, May 14, 2020 in River Road Cemetery in LaGrange, OH with Pleasant View ORB Church officiating.

Her favorite song was "Just One Rose Will Do". She often quoted,

"Just have an old-fashioned preacher

To preach a sermon or two

Don't spend your money on flowers

Just one rose will do."

Missed greatly by her family and her church family as well.

Written by her family.

Irene Parsons Williams



It is with a heavy heart that we write this obituary of our mom, Irene Williams who passed away at her residence on January 10, 2020. She was born February 18, 1944 in Floyd County Kentucky, to the late Bertha (Henderson) and Fred Parsons.

Sister Irene was employed at the former Van Fresser in Norwalk, Ohio and Kent's Sporting Goods in New London, Ohio. She was a member of Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church. She loved spending time with her family on holidays.

Irene is survived by her husband Howard "Rock" Williams and four daughters; Karen (Dennis) Masters of New London, Ohio, Linda (Pard, deceased) Whitaker of Greenwich, Ohio, Sharon (Benjamin) Jefferys of Willard, Ohio and Lisa (Ryan) Devore of New London, Ohio. Twelve grandchildren, eighteen great grandchildren, sister Juanita Williams of Kentucky and brother Bernard Parsons of Perrysville, Ohio. She was preceded in death by her parents, son Silas Wayne Williams, grandson Aaron Lee Williams and sister Emogene Hunter.

We love and miss you Mom.

Written by her daughters Karen, Linda, Sharon and Lisa.

Friends of the Northern New Salem Association

Mollie L. Bailey

March 29, 1948 – January 21, 2020



Mollie L. Bailey, 71, of Lewisville passed away Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at her residence. She was born March 29, 1948 in Pike County, Kentucky, the daughter of Bonnie Mullins and Bethel (Burke) Mullins-Bentley.

Mollie was a seven time cancer survivor; she was a fighter! She had a strong faith. In her earlier years, she attended cosmetology school. Mollie was a homemaker and enjoyed being with family, cooking for her family and babysitting. She enjoyed gardening, canning, quilting, sewing and fishing. She had a sweet tooth and was a donut connoisseur. She loved to laugh, had a huge heart and would help anyone in need.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Ron Bailey of Lewisville; children, Ron Bailey II of Arizona, Angie (Marty) Hicks of Knightstown, Becky (Tony) Hughes of Greensboro, Amy Bethel Bailey of Washburn, Wi; grandchildren, Brittani Bailey, Kyle Bailey, Kaleb Bailey, Addison Hicks, Payton Hicks, Graham Hicks, and Abigale Bailey; five great grandchildren; sisters Gaye Webb and Lillie Johnson; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her grandmother, Carrie Mullins; and a brother, Ronnie Mullins.

Andrew Steven McGinnis



With a sad and broken heart and with the help of our Dear Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I will write an obituary of my most beloved son.

Andrew McGinnis, age 40 left this world way to early. Andrew passed away on Nov. 7, 2020 at his residence. His parents were Michael McGinnis and Sister Glenda McGinnis. Beside his parents, Andy leave three sons; Noah, Haiden and Ashton; a brother Eric (Teresa) McGinnis, and sisters; Amanda (Aaron) Watters, and Stacy (Dustin) Herbert. Also surviving is his grandmother Arpie Coffey, and uncle, Gaylord (Marcia) Coffey, three aunts, Agatha Proitsis, Bobbette (Paul) Frazee and Janice (Darrell) Presson. He also leaves behind several cousins, nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

He was preceded in passing by his maternal grandfather, Liberty Coffey, and paternal grandparents, Noah and Faye McGinnis, and Uncle James Coffey.

Andy loved sports and played pee wee and little league baseball throughout his school years. He enjoyed watching and going to Cincinnati Reds games and collecting baseball cards with his brother and father. He also enjoyed building campfires and enjoying time with his family. Andy worked hard and long hours to support his family. He will always be remembered by his giant hugs and big smiles. His family will love and miss him forever. "Go Rest High in That Mountain", in he Arms of Jesus.

Written by his broken-hearted family

Sister Glenda, Amanda, Stacy and Aunt Janice

Elizabeth Whitaker Price



Elizabeth Whitaker Price, of Shepherdsville, Ky., was born December 19, 1935 in Hot Spot (Premium), Ky. She was the oldest of eight children of the late Aaron and Delpha Whitaker, Sr. Elizabeth passed from this life on December 6, 2020 making her stay on earth 84 years, 11 months, and 16 days. She met and married William Thomas Price on November 18, 1961. W.T. preceded her in death in September 2004. She was also preceded in death by one sister, Maise Adams (Mel) and two brothers, Haston (Mildred) and Hansford (Mary Lou-deceased) Whitaker.

She leaves to cherish her memory, one son, William Timothy Price of Shepherdsville, Ky., one daughter, Tammy Lynn (Mark) Hines of Shepherdsville, Ky., er precious grandchildren, Elizabeth Michelle and Ethan Henry Hines, two sisters, Maxine Blair (Bob-deceased) of Corydon, IN and Janet Caudill (Bert-deceased) of Jeremiah, Ky., two brothers Harvey Whitaker, Sr. (Louanza) of Shepherdsville, Ky., and Aaron Whitaker, Jr. (Jeanette) of New Carlisle, OH, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Elizabeth was a sweet lady who put others first. She was known as the "birthday card Aunt". She was a homemaker who had stories of her time as an employee of R.H. Hobbs Company in Letcher County in her youth. She was a faithful attendee of Lone Valley and Antioch Old Regular Baptist Church. She loved to hear and sing the old time songs. I grew up listening to her hum and whistle the songs daily. In her last years on earth, she struggled with breathing. I know she is breathing easily now.

Written with love by her daughter,

Tammy Hines

Floys Reynolds Short



Floys Reynolds Short was born on March 13, 1925 at Mallie in Knott County, KY to Nancy Ann Campbell Reynolds and Isaac (Ike) Reynolds. She was the 4th of ten children. She passed away on December 30, 2019 at the age of 94. Floys married Has B. (Booker) Short on October 4, 1945. To this union was born five daughters: Rhonda, Brenda, Merlene, Paula and Cathy. In 1952, Floys and Booker moved from KY to IN and in 1953 settled in the community of Manchester in Dearborn County. Floys continued to live there until 2013 when she moved to the Ripley Crossing Nursing Home in Milan, IN. She remained there until her death. Floys had many talents, such as gardening and singing, and anyone who sat at her kitchen table knew she was an exceptional cook. She loved to play games and she was both skillful and competitive. She was quite a character with sharp wit and a great sense of humor. She was a loving daughter, sister, aunt,

wife, mother, grandmother, neighbor and friend. While Floys lost most of her physical abilities after a stroke in 2000, her mental capacities remained in tact. She was a great story teller, remembering details that most had long forgotten, including a few things her girls had wished she had forgotten. Floys didn't say too much about her beliefs...she didn't have to. Her life of honor and integrity told her story. She had a strong Christian faith, and until her illness, she had faithfully attended the Old Regular Baptist Churches of Little Memory in Sunman, IN; Pilgrim's Home in Milan, IN; and Little Children's Home in Laurel, IN. Floys was preceded in death by: her parents, Nancy Ann and Isaac; her husband, Booker; eight siblings, Velma, Clovia, Jane, Ruby, Paul, Maxine, T.J. and Charles; and

her oldest daughter, Rhonda. She is survived by: one sister, Betty Miller of Vandalia, OH; 3 sister-in laws, Joan (Joann) Reynolds of Dayton, OH, Saddle Reynolds of Mallie, KY and Judy Reynolds of Connersville, IN; four daughters: Brenda Martin of Sunman, IN; Merlene Baxter (Danny) of Moores Hill, IN; Paula Clements (Ron) of Milan, IN; and Cathy Short (Lisa) of Berea, KY; 8 grandchildren Doug, Dave, Dennis (deceased after her death), Danielle, Jessica, Tom, Becky and Will; 23 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. Floy's was buried next to Booker in the Little Memory Cemetery. She will be greatly missed, but death will not erase the many wonderful memories she has stamped in the hearts and minds of those who loved her. She will long be remembered, cherished and loved for years to come. (Submitted by Cathy Short)

2021 Obituaries

ELDER Buddy Wayne Carty

May 1, 1936– October 30, 2020



*Elder Buddy Carty's Last
Sermon 2/23/2020*

Dad was a long-time resident of Shiloh, Plymouth and Shelby, Ohio, and peacefully left us on October 30, 2020 at his home in Shelby, at the age of 84.

Dad came to Ohio in the early 50's at the tender age of 16 leaving his Mother and Dad to live with his Brother Richard in Shiloh. He went to school for a while but soon started working at the factories in the area that were so desperately needing people. He worked over 38 years at Ideal Electric in Mansfield Ohio retiring in 1998.

The early days in Shiloh lead him to meet my uncle JB Spencer who kept telling him of his family and those he'd like Dad to meet. Dad told me at first, he was just too shy to go, because he felt they were likely "pretty well off." But uncle JB persisted and so one night they headed to Winchester, Ohio to meet uncle JB's family. Dad was good with a guitar and was known for his singing, so my Grandpa Spencer encouraged a song. Dad started singing a Hank Williams song, Wedding Bells are Ringing in the Chapel. At the same time Carlene JB's sister heard Dad singing outside and came out on the porch. Dad saw her. He told many times of laying eyes on

mom for the first time and knowing right then that she was the one for him. He was right. Soon they were married and enjoyed one another for over 64 years. Mom has been by his side throughout their marriage. She is as much a part of who he was as Dad himself. So many times Dad was tired or discouraged and Mom was always there to say "honey we've got to go".

Dad was born on May 1, 1936, in Magoffin County, Kentucky. He was the son of Wilbur and Eliza (Montgomery) Carty. Son Michael Ray, and great grandson Finley Ray Little preceded him in death. Also preceding him, brothers, Lester, Chester, Jim, Silas, and Richard, and sisters, Mary Frances, America Russell, Tressie Barndollar, Jane Dunn, and Beulah Faye Price.

He is survived by his wife Carlene (Spencer) Carty and one sister, Ressie Winters of Mansfield Ohio. In addition, Dad is survived by his four children, Danny (Shawn), Rhonda York (Brad), Marty (Patty) and David (Sarah). Surviving grandchildren include Megan Little (Scott), Andrea Albright (Blair), Tiffany Triplett, Brittany Frasier, Shawn Michael Berry (Jenna), Amanda Hogg (Troy), Elizabeth, Christin, Spencer and Wesley. Surviving great-grandchildren Isaac, Sawyer, Adlee, Ava, Kade, Ashton, Allie, Alivia, Jade, Blake, Caleb, Tobias, Travis, Tyler and Alex.

As Dad and Mom were blessed to begin having children Dad began to close in with the offering mercies of the Lord. He often told of his experience driving to work very early one morning in 1960 and how after giving his very life to the Lord, that the burden of sin was lifted from his soul. He said, as I arrived at the shop, "I wanted to tell everyone what had happened". But he saved that for his first time ever being in the Little Rebecca Church. Old Brothers Willie Collins and Wriple Tuttle preached that day. Dad told of Brother Wriple preaching exactly what he had experienced and how God compelled him to come forth and tell what God had done for him. That was the beginning of a long, wonderful 60 years of life in the church. Which leads me to the scriptures.

John 15:13 - 15:16

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. These words so describe Dad as he often asked of God, not for himself but for how he might serve others. Especially those in need, those in despair during times of trouble and sorrow. He often offered of himself and God provided him the gift of comforting others.

He was also part of many joyful occasions performing weddings, baptizing new members, attending churches in many states and especially visiting the many corresponding associations within The Old Regular Baptist family. He served as the Moderator of The Northern New Salem Association starting in August of 2003 until now. He was the Moderator of The Little Rebecca Church for forty years, in conjunction with The Family of Love Church near Marion, Ohio for 34 years.

He dearly loved his family and friends. He most enjoyed visits, providing big meals and a place to stay when needed. He and Mom are such a great light to us from our childhood through times of having our own families and children. Never was there a time short on advice and good council, with a bit of firmness when needed. But it was always in the name of love, always in a way of encouraging us to put God first in our lives.

So much more could be written. But, as the writer of old in the book of John described the writings of Christ, if they should be written everyone, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.

So, we will close this with words from a poem written by Granddaughter Tiffany Triplett.

*Your body has grown weary, and you've fought your last fight
The pain you have endured kept your light shining and bright
The life you've lived is of a soldier with great cause
So many you have comforted, and now we must stay strong
We knew it had to come, that's the way this life goes
A life that has been lived to its fullest, now has been won
But you haven't made this journey all on your own
Because I can hear Jesus saying, my dear and faithful servant its time to come home*

Written by his son Elder Danny Carty

ELDER Alex Marvin Collier

June 13, 1931– February 19, 2021



Alex Marvin Collier was born June 13, 1931 at Millstone in Letcher County, KY to Thomas and Louisa (Profitt) Collier. He passed away at his home in Brunswick, Ohio on Friday morning, February 19, 2021.

He grew up in Letcher County until the age of 18 when he left to serve in the U.S. Army, October 4, 1949, and was sent to serve in Taegu (now Daegu), South Korea during the Korean War. He was on guard duty in a foxhole on December 23, 1950 when his commanding officer called out his name and told him he was going home. He knew his Mother's prayers had been answered. He was "Honorably Discharged" January 23, 1951 from active duty and returned home from the war. He served in the Reserves until January 22, 1956.

He courted and then married Joyce L. (Hall) Collier on July 5, 1952, and they shared 68 years and 7 months together. He said he loved her more than anyone on earth. To this union was born 2 children; Leslie J. (Al) Pilz and Larry D. (Pauline) Collier, who preceded him in death.

Besides his wife and daughter, Leslie, Bro Alex is survived by 3 grandchildren; Gary Willett, Jr., Alanna (Adam) Sweda and Jeff Collier, 6 great-grandchildren; Hayley Roman, Tyler Sweda and 4 others; and 1 great-great-grandchild. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Larry Marvin, his parents, and 8 brothers: Ballard, Ellis, Oscar, Thomas Holbert "Homer", Billy Ray, Jesse, and infant twin brothers.

Shortly after Leslie was born Brother Alex and Sister Joyce moved to Cleveland, Ohio to find work and God blessed him with a good job as a Parts Quality Control Inspector for Ford Motor Company at the Brook Park plant, where he retired after 35 years.

He enjoyed sports, especially the Kentucky Wildcats. He loved to hunt and fish and he enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Brother Alex got concerned about his soul and where he would be for eternity, and he began to attend the Little Edna Church in Lorain, Ohio. In 1962, he found the peace he had sought with many tears. He joined the Little Edna Church on March 25, 1962 and was baptized on April 1, 1962 by Elders Walter Parker and Chuck Keese. He took his letter to Pleasant View Church in Litchfield, Ohio on February 6, 1964. God called him to preach and he was ordained as a Minister on November 6, 1965. He was elected Moderator of Pleasant View January 7, 1966 and served until February 2, 1989 when he resigned and moved back to Morehead, Kentucky. While in Kentucky, he served the South Shore Church as Moderator. He and Joyce wanted to move back to Ohio to be near Leslie and he brought his letter back to Pleasant View in November 7, 1998. He served the Pleasant View Church as Assistant Moderator and when he stepped down, he was made Honorary Assistant Moderator for life. He faithfully served the True Vine Church as Assistant Moderator from December 2002, until his death. He was a great leader and showed much spiritual wisdom in all of his church work. He dedicated his life to the Lord's work and spent much time reading and preaching the word of God. Brother Alex had a very powerful voice to sing the beautiful songs of Zion and he was among the most gifted preachers and singers in the Old Regular Baptist. He will be sorely missed in this part of the vineyard, although we feel he is now at rest from his labors.

Brother Alex suffered a bad stroke a little over 20 years ago and it left him with issues with his right side and with his voice. It was hard for him to get around but he continued to press on and serve God as best he could. God still blessed him to preach and sing and occasionally he would still sing "Lord You're the Best Thing That Ever Happened To Me" and the spirit would overflow. In the last few years, he had glaucoma and it nearly took all of his sight. He

could see the people but couldn't recognize their faces. He could no longer see to read and it really bothered him that he could no longer read the Bible or a songbook. He could no longer see to drive and Brother Hargis and Sister Joanna Tuttle would go and pick Brother Alex and Sister Joyce up and bring them to church. They had many wonderful times together.

His wife, Joyce, took such good care of him for many years. You should have seen his face light up as he proclaimed his never dying love for her when she and I visited him in the rehab facility 2 weeks before his death. She wanted to bring him home no matter how difficult the task would be. Just one week later he was released and we brought him home. He was unable to walk or stand and was very confused when we brought him home after his four weeks in virtual isolation in the hospital and the rehab facility due to COVID protocol with no visitors allowed except the one "special privilege" visit we made. We had hoped that we could reverse the declining trend by bringing him home. He was happier but did not regain his strength or clear thinking, and God said it was not to be, and called him home Friday morning, February 29, 2021.

I feel surely that Brother Alex is at rest in Paradise and would not want to come back to this world. His labor here is finished and I'm sure he would want me to remind each of you how fleeting life is and that we have no promise of the next breath. Please fall out with sin and put the faith God gave you to work and close in with the offered mercies of Jesus Christ, so you can go where Brother Alex has gone.

Written by his Brother in Christ,
Elder Dennis Elkins

Members Clark Akers



Clark Akers, 93, of Vermilion, passed away peacefully at his home on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 surrounded by his family. He was born October 6, 1927 in Dana, KY the son, of Willie L and Minnie J. Akers.

He left school early to help his family, later serving the Army in the Korean War, and was awarded a Purple Heart for injuries received in battle.

Clark married the love of his life, June (nee Conn) on March 29, 1952. As a master carpenter, the family lived and worked in several communities throughout Kentucky and Ohio, finally settling in Vermilion in 1968. After retirement Clark took up golf and enjoyed playing in leagues at Willow Creek. He had fond memories of friendships made there. Clark also enjoyed gardening, his church, and visiting with family and friends. He will be fondly remembered by his children and grandchildren for the way he could make everyone laugh.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, June (nee Conn) Akers of Vermilion; sons, Larry (Barb) Akers of Vermilion, Neil (Cindy) Akers of Vermilion, Wendell Akers of Vermilion, and Enos Akers of Lorain; grandchildren, Carrie (Akers) Bean, Jeffrey Akers, Brian Akers, and Kristen (Akers) Breeden; and his great-grandchildren, Tanner, Camden, and Jayce Bean, Makenna and Maxton Akers, and Lily Breeden. He leaves behind many extended family members, acquaintances and friends who will dearly miss his smile and gentle caring way. He was loved by many.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Willie and Minnie (nee Jarell) Akers; brothers, Paul, Vance Lee, Walter, and Bradley Akers; and his sisters, Alpha Kidd, Alkie Case, Ruby Conn, and Ruth Boyd.

The family received friends on Sunday, October 25, 2020 at the Riddle Funeral Home. Funeral services were held Monday, October 26, 2020 at the Riddle Funeral Home. Pastor Larry Newsome officiated. Clark was laid to rest at Maple Grove Cemetery, Vermilion where the Vermilion Veterans Council conducted military honors.

Fannie Marie Burke



Fannie Marie Burke, age 84 of Belleville, Michigan and formerly of Berlin Heights, Ohio passed away peacefully at home Wednesday July 21, 2021 following a long illness. She was born July 5, 1937 in Staffordsville, Kentucky, living in Berlin Heights since 1960 before moving to Belleville in December 2020.

She was a member of the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church in Litchfield, Ohio since August 8, 1982, where she served as a deaconess. She was baptized by Elders Stony Blackburn, Steve Borders and Mike Slone and Brother Cleophas Slone. Brother Bob was ordained June 2, 1984, and they served the Pleasant View Church as Deacon. She enjoyed being a home maker, gardening, canning, cooking, her grandchildren and going to church. She is survived by daughters Linda (Dean) Rogers of Biloxi, Mississippi, Betty Adkins of St. Petersburg, Florida, Judy (Dan) Vealey of Belleville, Michigan and by her son Eddie (Lynn) Burke of Norwalk, Ohio. Survivors also include 10 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild, 6 sisters, 2 brothers and numerous brothers and sisters in the Lord. She was preceded in death by her husband of over 50 years Bob Burke in 2006, her parents Bert & Lucille Pelphrey, 1 brother, 1 sister and 2 grandchildren and numerous brothers and sisters in Christ. Services were held at Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church on Tuesday July 27, 2021 with Elders of the Church officiating. Fannie was laid to

rest at Riverside Cemetery, Berlin Heights, Ohio. She is greatly missed by her family and church family.

Dolores R. Collins



As I sit here at her kitchen table, I pray that God would give me the words to write a worthy obituary for my mommy...

Delores Collins, age 84, of Baseline Road, Plymouth, Ohio, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her family on Monday, January 25, 2021. She was born on May 13, 1936 in Hueysville, Ky to the late Frank Stephens and Frances Miller. Dolores was a member of the Little Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church. She enjoyed reading, painting, sewing, crocheting, gardening, baking an most of all, spending time with grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Delores is survived by her four daughters, Vicki Collins of Norwalk, Ohio; Kathy (Chris) Welfle of Norwalk, Ohio; Dee (Alex) Jones of Hawkesville, GA and Lorna Collins of Plymouth, Ohio; six grandchildren, six great grandchildren; a sister, Madgalene Watkins; four brothers, Ray

Stephens, Frank Stephens, Jr., Ashland Stephens and Lee Miller.

In addition to her parents, Dolores is preceded in death by her husband, Roy E. Collins; brothers, Michael Stephens and James Stephens, and a baby sister Agnes May Stephens.

My mom was by far one of the toughest people I have ever known! Tougher than a pine not, is how she was often described! She suffered much heartache throughout her life but prevailed through Jesus. She was the best mom, grandma, G.G., that ever existed for any of us! She was rough around the edges, a straight shooter and would tell you how she felt about anything in a heartbeat! She had the most giving and biggest heart of all time! She was so happy when she was going to be a grandma... Then she got 5 within the span of 13 months... She would say with a little laugh, I just wanted one to spoil!!! But she loved those babies unconditionally and then 14 years later she got another. She always said they were so much fun she should have had them first. Then she became G.G. to 6 of the sweetest, orneriest babies ever. She loved them all beyond measure.

She loved and would be good to anyone who showed up at her doorstep. She and my dad opened their home many times to keep family that needed place to stay while they got on their feet. The love she had for everyone came through Jesus. One of my sisters was sick and my dad was taking her to the hospital and mom told me many times, she thought if she herself did not change her ways and start praying for God to forgive her, my dad wasn't going to bring my sister home. My mom turned her life over to him and joined the Little Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church on March 10, 1968 and never looked back. She loved this old time way and the church that she dedicated her life to so very much. They served the church as deacons and was borrowed at other churches for many years. My mom was so blessed when she would get to bake the bread for communion and serve on foot washing day. They would keep so many people throughout the years when they would need a place to stay when visiting from other churches of our same faith and order.

Mommy showed anyone who knew her the kind of life you had to live to get to Heaven. She would not want me to tell you what a wonderful person she was, she would want me to tell you to pray, get forgiveness and come see me in my new home. Mommy took her flight Monday afternoon surrounded by family that loved her so dearly. So peacefully she took her last breath with Heaven in her view. She would want me to tell you don't weep for me for I have taken my rest, I am happy resting in the arms of Jesus! You can come where I am if you want. Don't waste the time you have left here on earth for you never know when your last breath will come. The Lord loves you and doesn't want anyone to be lost, ruined and undone. Jesus is the way! He is the truth and the life!. If you do not fall out with sin, you will not see mommy again. I look forward to the day when I can join her and daddy and be able to sing that new song!

Your suffering is over mommy, no more pain, no more struggling to breathe, no more worrying about your children and grandchildren... Eternal happiness and peace are at hand. Until that sweet homecoming day when we can all be together again, I will miss you more than you will ever know! My mom was my hero, my confidant and my biggest supporter. I just don't know how to live without her. She would say, you don't have a choice, you have to go on. It will be hard, but my Lord will see me through the difficult days to come. Thank you Lord for allowing me to keep her 53 years. No greater blessing than that of a kind, loving mother!!!

Written by her broken hearted daughter and sister in the Lord
Lorna

Banner L and Shelby J Conn



Banner L. Conn, 87, was born July 16, 1933 in Dana, KY. Banner passed away Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at The Woods on French Creek after a short illness. He was the son of Hiram and Virgie (Howell) Conn. Shelby Jean (Castle) Conn, 83, was born September 13, 1936 in Boldman, KY. Shelby passed away Monday, August 10, 2020, at Mercy New Life Hospice, Lorain, OH after a lengthy illness. She was the daughter of Garfield and Anna Laura (Cecil) Castle. Banner and Shelby had lived in Vermilion, OH for the past 65 years after moving from Floyd County, KY.

Banner and Shelby married July 30, 1955, and enjoyed 65 wonderful years together. They were the most wonderful example of true love you could ever find and did everything together.

Banner worked as a carpenter for various companies and also co-owned A and C Builders. Shelby worked at the Vermilion Pickle Factory and she had also worked as a cashier for the Vermilion Kroger Grocery Store. Banner enjoyed bow hunting, gardening, fishing and carpentry. Shelby enjoyed gardening, crocheting, toll painting, and baking. Shelby had attended the Free Will Baptist Church in KY. They supported their grandchildren in all of their extracurricular activities and drove many miles to attend their games and events. Most of all they enjoyed going to church together and attended many Old Regular Baptist Churches.

Banner called Brother Dennis Elkins early one morning in March and told him he wanted to join the True Vine Church and wanted to be baptized. He wanted everyone to know how much he loved Jesus and all of them and he wanted them all to go to heaven with him. He witnessed to everyone around him and called many and told them how wonderful Jesus was. Shelby accepted Christ early one morning in 1982. She shared His love with many who knew her.

They are survived by their daughter, Jenifer (John) Wilkerson of Dublin; son, Jeffrey (Angela) Conn of Amherst; grandchildren, Kathryn, Kiley, Colin, Emily, and Hannah; and their great grandchildren, Zoey, Brayden, Charlotte, Bodie, and Hudson. Shelby was also survived by her brother, Jimmy Castle of Cardington, OH; and her sisters, Mildred Osbourne of Cardington, OH and Carol McKinney of Betsy Lane, KY.

In addition to his parents, Banner was preceded in death by brothers, Willie and Ed Conn; sisters, Norma Hall, Nicie Boyd, Junie Boyd, Atcha Gray, Allie Boyd, Frankie Conn, and Helene Akers-Quenin. In addition to her parents, Shelby was preceded in death by her sister, Jacqueline Bates.

We feel sure they are resting in Paradise awaiting that wonderful resurrection morning when Jesus steps off His throne and comes to get His bride. Banner and Shelby would want everyone to come and join them there.

Joella Crase

January 27, 1930 - July 11, 2021



Throughout her life, our Mother (Joella) was always there for her family (husband -Mack - deceased; and their children -Roy - deceased, Greg, and Zach). She was so well organized and able to accomplish so much each day of her productive life that she made it look easy. Regrettably, at the time, it was easy to take her for granted. Zach reminded me (Greg) recently of one of her pat sayings (in her 70's and 80's age range) after a long day: "I better sit down before I fall down!"

She was the oldest child of her parents' (Irvin and Dessie Amburgey,) very large family. During her youth, her parents managed their own country store and gas station along with a few other businesses (such as the area's local post office) located near Hindman Kentucky. Joella and her other siblings would help out in the family businesses whenever they could. This non-typical background most likely helped her to become such a gifted and loving, wife, mother, and friend to many throughout the various stages of her life. She knew how to interact and treat people, and seemed to have a knack for working out just about any situation to (nearly) everyone's satisfaction!

During the early years of her marriage (1948), Mack and Joella moved around often, in several states. They rented houses in Kentucky and Southern Ohio, and lived in various apartments in Detroit, before buying their first home in Columbus Ohio, in 1961. All of these early phases were in sharp contrast and we (Greg and Zach) would like to thank Mom and Dad for these early experiences that also shaped our lives.

To her husband and children, Joella (our Mom) was also very loving, and caring even when it might not have seemed to be the case for her "occasionally" disobedient children! While raising her family, Mom took charge of running the entire household (shopping, cooking, cleaning, decorating, flower gardening, making sure everyone got up on time to go to school or work, had a good breakfast and left home with the proper lunches she individually prepared)! We can't forget Dad, though. He worked in Construction, typically 50 hours a week (he was tanned all year long!) and did all the outside yard work, vegetable gardening, and created the neatest recreation basement in the neighborhood. He (Mack) was also smart enough to get the right life partner "helper" (Joella), which made all our lives more rewarding. Thank you Dad for asking her to marry you; Thank you Mom for saying "Yes".

Mom, in her "spare time", was also able to sell Avon throughout the Columbus Ohio Millbrook housing edition, where we lived. Millbrook was her official Avon territory route. She knew just about everyone in Millbrook during the 1960's, and struck-up friendships easily with others she met in everyday life. One memory of those days was that she called on customers (friends) from her "Gossip Bench" (chair with side table and black rotary phone). This setup served as her office. When she was on a call, we knew not to bother her!

10 years later (1971), Mom and Dad decided to move and build a house on 5 acres near Canal Winchester Ohio, where she lived for 50 years. We have been so blessed to have had Mack and Joella, and our older brother Roy as important influences in our lives. We are a family that has stayed in practically daily contact (visits, phone, ham radio) throughout those years and that part of our lives will be greatly missed.

Mom died peacefully at home on Sunday, July 11, 2021, and her service was held Friday July 16, 2021. She was placed next to her husband, Mack (our father), who died in 2008. We know she is in a better place in Heaven, along with her restored mind and memory and spiritual body! We are just saddened that we can no longer take care of her on earth. We can never repay her in-kind for all she has done. Both Zach (primary care giver) and Greg (relief) loved to take care of her and feel a little sorry for ourselves due to the void. We know Mom would like us to briefly mourn the loss, always remember her and the wonderful family we had, but also to get up and carry on, and strive to live for what really permanently matters in God's Kingdom and Words (Holy Bible).

The funeral service for Joella (July 16, 2021), was beautiful and tearful. All of her surviving brothers and sisters, and children were present. Pastor Danny Carty provided a wonderful message (which we wish had been recorded) and sang several beautiful songs A Capella. Our Mom (Joella) mentioned to her sons (Greg and Zach), about 5 years ago, that she would like "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" sung at her funeral. We mentioned this to Pastor Danny Carty just before the service was to start! He said this was the first time that particular song request was made of him. He happened to have a pocket sized song book, checked it, and found the song listed. Pastor Carty said he would be glad to oblige with Mom's request made years ago.

Pastor Carty's rendition of "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" was beautiful and very touching during the service. Following the service, during our luncheon to fellowship and discuss the service, we talked about how well-done and appropriate it was for that particular song to be sung at Joella's funeral. Her (Joella's) sisters mentioned that song was a favorite of their Mom Dessie (our Grandmother), which she often sung in their home while they were growing up. This, everyone believed, must have been the influence and reason Joella made the request to her sons years ago. It was great to learn the background connection and we would like to thank Pastor Danny Carty for the beautiful rendition of the song.

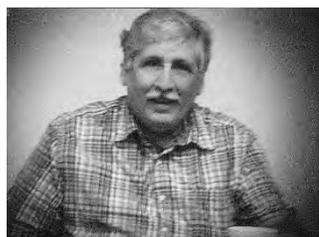
Even in recent years our Mom, despite her Dementia, Joella would often toss out various sayings. Our favorite was whenever she would flash a big smile and say "I JUST love you!"

Mom, on behalf of your children, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends, we would like to say to you "We JUST love you."

Greg and Zach (and we are sure Roy Crase would agree!)

"Randy" Homer R. Elliott

March 17, 1951 - April 14, 2021



"Randy" Homer R. Elliott age 70 of Taylor. Beloved husband of 30 years to Robin Elliott. Loving father of Jason (Julie) Elliott, Kelli (Frank) Slavik, Claudia Lowe Barney, Michele Kay Loew-Acala, Earl Halford, III (Renee), and Shawn (Julia) Elliott. Dear brother of Glema (Ralph) Manuel, Kenny (Karne) Elliott, Shirl Elliott, and Venda Carlson. Loving grandfather of Ayden, Liam, Dominique, Darrian, Mackenzie, Alonna, Dominic, Donnie, Drew, Michael Jr., Ehron, Casey, Hannah, Doug, Alex, and Gabriella. Dearest great-grandfather of Aurora, Rex, Milah, and Rosaleigh. Randy was preceded in death by his parents Hurshel and Delpha Elliott and his sister Glenda Faye Elliott Lawson. He will be deeply missed by

family and friends. Randy was a good man of God. He loves his wife Robin, children, grandchildren, siblings and his two little dogs. Randy and Robin had known each other since their teens 16 & 18.

Randy belongs to a very large, close knot, loving family. He even lived across the street from two of his sister's (Shirl & Venda) and nephew (Tim). His brother Kenny was his best friend. They'd talk late at night about everything. When Randy and Glema got on the phone they usually talked a while also. He also loves his brothers and sisters in the Lord. Some called him "little Hurshel" because he looked like his daddy. He as a lot like his daddy too. He was a kind & gentle man. He had a big heart. He could make you laugh. He loved to have his children and grandchildren around as much as possible. He was the heart of our family. Randy loved going to Kentucky for visits especially for the family reunions. He enjoyed his westerns, history, gardening, cooking, hunting & race cars. He like teaching his children & grandchildren anything he could. If you let him know you needed him; he be there. We are going to miss him terribly.

Written by your loving wife Robin and your loving children.

Beatrice Hall

October 30, 1940 – June 14, 2020



Beatrice (Burke) Hall, 79, of Mansfield, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, June 14, 2020 at OhioHealth Mansfield Hospital.

Beatrice was born on October 30, 1940 in Weeksbury, Kentucky. She was the daughter of Grant and Aggie (Hall) Burke. Beatrice married her husband, James Hall, on June 18, 1960. Her and her husband moved to Mansfield in 1960 for his job at the steel mill. Beatrice was an amazing homemaker, who loved caring for her husband and her children. She cherished cooking for holiday meals when her family gathered together and made memories together. She was a great cook, and made the best pecan pie ever. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought her much joy and she enjoyed spending time with them as well as the neighborhood children that found safety and love in Beatrice's home as well. Laughter was found when Beatrice was around as she loved to have a good time and enjoyed life. As technology advanced, Beatrice refused to be left behind and got on board; as she loved to text, Facebook and play games on her phone. Shopping was one of Beatrice's favorite past times, and she was always up for a shopping trip. She loved to attend church, read her Bible and visit with her church family. Beatrice was one of a kind, and will be dearly missed by all.

Beatrice leaves behind her daughter, Trudy (Jeff) Inman; her son, James (Robin) Hall; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and her two sisters, Evelyn Johnson and Opal Dutton. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, James Hall; her son, Ervin Hall; her brothers, Orrville, Clyde, and Willis Burke; and her sisters, Jewel Johnson and Geraldene Burke.

Family and friends may visit from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Ontario Home of Wappner Funeral Directors, 100 S. Lexington Springmill Road, on Wednesday, July 1, 2020. The funeral service will be held at the funeral home at 11:00 am on Thursday, July 2, 2020. Beatrice will be laid to rest at Mansfield Memorial Park.

Ruth I. Hamilton



Ruth Irene Hamilton, age 98 of Polk Ohio passed away in her home on Friday April 9, 2021. She was born September 2, 1922 in St. Paul, Wise County Virginia to the late Elbert S. and Helen Carty. Ruth enjoyed her family, gardening, quilting and going to church. She loved her church family as well. She was a member of the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church for many long years. She was an amazing lady. Sister Eloise White was very dedicated to giving her a ride so she could be in church. She would never miss church unless she was very ill. She is survived by her son Charles Hamilton Jr of Polk and daughter Linda Gonzales of Akron. Survivors also include grandson Robert Heilman to whom she was like a mother. And numerous other grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren whom she loved all very much and by her brother Cecil C. Carty of New London. She was preceded in death by her 2 brothers, sister and her husband Charles Hamilton Sr in 2010. She and Charlie were married in May of 1948.

Sister Ruth's desire was that all of you would be ready to meet her on Heaven's bright shore when it is your time to leave this troublesome world behind.

Sister Ruth's funeral was at Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church on April 13, 2021 with Elders of the church officiating. Burial was in Polk, Ohio.

May God bless this family,
Elder Larry and Sister Patsy Newsome

Wanda Lee Holbrook



Our mother, Wanda Lee (Belcher) Holbrook, went to be with the Lord on January 23, 2021. She had lived a happy and blessed life with her husband Grover for 67 years before his passing in January 2016.

Mom joined the Old Regular Baptist Church over 60 years ago and was a faithful member of the Little Ida Church. The members of the church were her family and she loved all her brothers and sisters in Christ.

Mom loved to sing the old songs of the church. As we gathered around her bedside, we held prayer and sang some of her favorite songs. The last song she sang was "Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound". She told us one more time how much she loved us and she was waiting for Jesus to come and get her. She closed her eyes and went to sleep, waking in the loving arms of Jesus.

She will be missed by her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Mammy will always be remembered by all the love she showed each and every one of them. But most of all, she showed them the love of Jesus and for that, I am eternally grateful.

Written by her loving family

Dorothy Moore



Dorothy Moore age 88 of McDowell, Kentucky passed away February 15th 2021 at the Riverview Healthcare Center Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Mom was born Feb.19th, 1932 in Floyd County Kentucky. Too the late Julius and Maggie Hall. She was the widow of the late Orbin Moore of McDowell Kentucky. She was a homemaker and a member of the Little Rosa church of the old Regular Baptist, Indian Bottom Association. She leave's too morn and miss her passing Ivan (Wanda) Stumbo of McDowell, Kentucky: David Music of McDowell, Kentucky: and Vernon (Holly) Music of Painesville, Ohio: and her daughter Juanita (Johnny) Parsons of Staffordsville, Kentucky. A brother, Raymond (Lisa) Hall of Ashtabula, Ohio. Great grandchildren Brandon, Stacia, Jimmy, Mollie, Cody and Zack, 10 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild Kaleek Kaye Johnson. She was preceded in death by her parents Julius and Maggie Hall, three husbands Woody Stumbo, James Andrew Music and Orbin Moore, brother's Ivan Hall, Elija Bun Hall, and Edmond Hall, and one sister Eloise Hunter. After much thought and with a heavy heart I will try to write this letter about our mom. She was baptized in December of 1997 and became a member of the Little Rosa Church. She was a member till she went home to be with the Lord on February 15th 2021. Her membership was her life. Now she's resting from all her labor, she was loved by everyone she met. Mom showed her love to everyone, especially to little children. She was also known for that beautiful, sweet, loud voice that would rise above the crowd. When the singing started and when mom started shouting you could feel the good Lord all over the house. Mom loved to cook and loved to have people come and have dinner with her. She loved to cook for churches, funerals and family get togethers, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas was her favorite holidays. Mom loved to work in her gardens and she was always singing no matter where she was. She was always there if someone needed help. Mom loved may things but her greatest love was Jesus, then her children and all her family. We all know that mom would have walked through fire for her children. The joy she brought to our lives will always be in our hearts. Her life was truly a light to so many she met along her way. She will be missed by all that met her. Now Mom will never be sick again and she would want everyone to know and ask Jesus to come into your hearts. Save your souls and come see her in her new home. We love and miss you mom till we meet again where we will never more part. Take your peaceful rest from all your labor. Our mom is gone away with a friend.

Written by her broken hearted children.

Janette Moore



Janette Moore, age 84, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, May 15, 2021 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. She was born on July 24, 1936 in Langley, Kentucky to Manor and Fannie (Arms) Manuel and they preceded her in death. On January 21, 1956 she married the love of her life Harry Moore at the courthouse in Kentucky.

Her joy was being a mother to her four children. She was a homemaker and an excellent cook. Janette was an enthusiastic Kentucky Wildcat fan, and beloved wife, mother and Nana. She praised God in song and was a member of the Singing Moore Family with Harry and her daughter Carla at church for the past fifteen years. She enjoyed singing Gospel music until her last days and became unable. Janette was a member of the Lima Freewill Baptist Church.

Janette is survived by her husband, Harry; her children: Roger (Melissa) Moore of Alger, Carla (Jim) Archer of Lima, and Nathan (Jen) Moore of Elida; and a daughter-in-law, Janet Moore of Shawnee. Janette was a grandma to seven grandchildren and great grandmother to six great grandchildren. Also surviving are two brothers Ralph (Glema) Manuel of Garden City, MI and Rev. James (Jerri) Manuel of Houston, OH; and two sisters: Alice Tuttle of Rockwood, MI and Wanda Faye Bowling of Sellersburg, IN.

She was preceded in death by her son, Timothy Moore; a brother, Willard Manuel; and three sisters: Mildred West, Brenda Lee Tuttle, and Mary Lou Hall. She will be deeply missed by family and friends.

Written by Harry Moore and Family

Timothy Moore



Timothy L. Moore, age 60, of Lima, passed away January 29, 2021, at 7:19 am, at Mercy Health-Rita's Medical Center. He was born May 21, 1960, he married Janet (Andrews) Moore who survives.

Also surviving are a stepson, Jason (Jayme) Bohyer and a stepdaughter, Julie Sanders, both of Van Wert; two brothers, Roger (Melissa) Moore of McGuffey and Nathan (Jennifer) Moore of Elida, and a sister, Carla (Jim) Archer of Lima. He is also survived by the following step-grandchildren: Tony and Devin Sanders and Blake and Karly Bohyer. He also leaves behind the following nieces and nephews Katherine Moore, Alsison Moore, David Moore, Lindsey Drexler, Conner Moore, Colton Moore and

Kyle Moore.

Tim was a quality engineer for Dana Corporation and MetoKote. He had also worked at Hydro Aluminum and Lima Radio Parts. He played softball for American Legion Post 96 and was an avid golfer. He loved winter golf trips with Jason, Scot, Ron and Terry. He was a big man with an even gentler heart.

Written by his Wife, Janet Moore

Geneva Newsome



It's with a very heavy and broken heart that I write about my precious, beloved Mother, Geneva Newsome, who passed away after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

She was born on October 24, 1937 in McDowell, Kentucky to the late John B. & Martha Francis Newsome and passed away January 19, 2021 at the age of 83. On August 2, 1954, she married Herbert Saunders who preceded her in death. To this union was born Lonnie David (Phyllis) Saunders of Wakeman, Ohio and Linda Saunders of Shelbyville, Kentucky. She leaves to mourn her loss two children, one Brother: Larry (Patsy) Newsome of Vermilion, Ohio and three sisters: Roberta (Ron) Walbom of Lorain, Ohio, Clara Sue Hall of Teaberry, Kentucky & Willa Jean (Glen) Tackett of Grethel, Kentucky. Grandchildren: Rebekah Lynn (Jay) Meurer, Naomi Geneva (Jeremy)

DeSpain, Angelica Faith Saunders, Jeremy (Tracie) Saunders, Ashley (Richard) Robinette & Aaron Martinez; 10 Great Grandchildren. Preceding her in death was her Brother & Sister: Charles Rex Newsome & Winona Tackett.

She joined Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church in Litchfield, Ohio on November 1, 1980 and was baptized November 2, 1980 by Elder Larry Newsome, Elder Stony Blackburn and Elder Tennis Sturgill. She loved when Larry and Patsy Newsome would come visit and sing the old songs of Zion. Her family and church family were truly loved by her. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Geneva was laid to rest at Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Kentucky.

There is so much that we could say about Geneva, we don't know where to begin. She was a fantastic cook, a steadfast friend, a wonderful gardener, a hard worker and so much more. She went through so much in life, but she didn't let the bad times weigh her down, she trusted her Lord. One of her favorite things in life was her family, get-togethers, family reunions, holidays, any reason for her to visit with them all. She was an all-around people person. Geneva loved and she was loved.

Written by her Daughter Linda and Family

Verna Mae Potter



Verna Mae Potter of Maineville, Ohio peacefully passed away at her home on Saturday April 10th, 2021 at the age of 90. She was born April 3rd, 1931 in Southdown, Ky to the late Hassell G. & Pansy C. (Caudill) Combs.

On July 29th, 1946 she married the love of her life, Marvin Potter, who passed away September 21, 2014 at which time they had been married for 68 years. They were blessed with two children, a son, David (Christina) Potter, a daughter, Marla (Jeff) Ventura, and four grandchildren, McKenzie (Kyle) Dooley, Daniel Bandy, Dylan Potter and Shelby Potter all of who are left to mourn her loss, including her brother Bobby Combs) of Indianapolis, Indiana and many nieces and nephews.

For many years Verna and Marvin attended the Little Family Church in Jacksonburg, Ohio. They were very involved with the church. They would gather with Earnie & Irene Tuttle, whom they loved very much, family and other church members to vacation and visit other churches. But after Marvin's passing and becoming very ill at times her life became very difficult, but she always fought to keep going until it was just too much at which time it was all up to God to be her Saviour, to comfort her, to release her from her pain.

Words cannot express how much we will miss her, but we know now that Verna and Marvin are together, once again, happily ever after. They're probably up there chasing each other around like two little kids like they did when they were younger.

Love and miss you always

Your daughter-in-law Christina Potter

Elmer Osborne



Loving husband of Nora Lou Osborne. Wonderful father to Belinda (Steve) Sclafani of Buford Georgia. He is survived by 3 grandsons, Kyle (Catherine) Sclafani of Cullman, Alabama, Kurt Sclafani of Haynesville, North Carolina and Kevin Sclafani of Buford Georgia. He also was the great grandfather to Luna Canupp and Westen Sclafani. Preceded in death by his parents John Melvin and Mallie Osborne, sister Sarah Ambrose and brother Walter Osborne

Betty Stanley

April 18, 1931 – August 31, 2020



It is with a sad and broken heart and the help of God that we will try to write the obituary of our dear grandmother. Granny was born on April 18, 1931, in Pike County Kentucky and the Lord called her home to be with him on August 31, 2020 at home surrounded by her family. Making her stay on Earth 89 years and 4 months. Granny was the daughter of the late Michell and Edna (Kitchen) Hall, both long time members of the Little Angel Church. She married the love of her life Floyd B. Stanley on June 24, 1948, and to that union they had four children, Daniel (Patricia) Stanley of Ocala Florida, Teresa (Scott) Ellsesser of McArthur Ohio, Mitch (Ramona) Stanley of Greenfield Ohio, and George Stanley of McArthur Ohio.

In addition to her parents, granny was preceded in death by her Brother Edward Hall, sister-in-law Helen Hilton, also a member of the Little Angel Church and her best friend and husband, Floyd after 52 wonderful years of marriage.

Her pride and joy were her family and she didn't hesitate to brag on us all every chance she had. Her grandchildren, Jeremiah (Meridith) Stanley, Jenny Stanley, Kenneth (Lamanda) Holley, Robert (Kelly) Holley, Gary (Lisa) Holley, Tracy (Craig) Wolfe, Allison (Mark) Shimko, Stephen (Anna) Ellsesser, Rebecca (Scott) Smith, Katherine Stanley (fiancé Michael Estle) and numerous great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. She first became a great great grandmother in 2010, making five generations which she was able to accomplish over and over again.

Granny and Grandpa both joined the Little Angel Church following in her parent's footsteps on August 26, 1979 Her and Grandpa became part of the "church camper family" They would try to make it to every association that they could and would look forward to it every single year. They were always offering to take us grandkids with them. I have lots of great childhood memories of them taking me to the Little Angel Church and camping with them at the Associations. Which is why we found great joy and satisfaction taking her to church for the past 12 years after she quit driving. Every time we would take her, you could see the pride in her face as she was hugging everyone's neck and looking back at us pointing and smiling. After Lamanda stayed with her camping at the New Salem and the Northern New Salem Association last year, we were hoping to start a new tradition of camping with her every year. Now, without her, we will still try to continue that tradition knowing that we will have her in our hearts. I want to close with a few sentences from a song that she had written down in a handwritten note that I found among her pictures. "I'm going where I've never been, I'm going where there is no sin, There I will join my Lord and friends, yes I'm going where I've never been, don't be crying those bitter tears, don't be crying cause I'm not here, I'll be happy for the first time in years, so don't be crying those bitter tears."

We are forever grateful to the lord for blessing us with so many wonderful memories and allowing her final months to be in our care where she was surrounded by her family.

Until we meet again, we love you grandma.

Written by her broken-hearted grandson and granddaughter.

Kenny and Sister Lamanda Holley

Lois Jean Turner



By request I shall endeavor to write a few words on the life of a dear and devoted Sister in Christ. To wit, Sister Lois Jean Turner. It was on June 7, 1933 in the lovely hills of Eastern Kentucky. In Knott County where the trees stand tall on the mountain sides, and each year getting closer to the faraway distant sky. Here underneath the cool shadows of early summer wildflowers were budding and blooming, giving beauty to the good earth. It was on this date in this beautiful, picturesque setting that this beautiful, bouncing baby girl graced the home of the late Whitt and Dorthy Young Thornsberry of Bath, KY.

It was in this lovely setting that she grew up with her siblings, the late Sisters: Ethel Vance, Bethel Seals, Melvina (Nettie) Bentley, and Geneva Thornsberry. Two Brothers (who are deceased), Julius and Russell Thornberry. Survived by one Brother David Thornsberry of Indiana.

On May 9, 1955 she entered into wedlock with the late Elder Wayne Turner, who was the Assistant Clerk of the Northern New Salem Association for many years. Together they shared many good years of wedded bliss. Through bountiful years and lean years, through sickness and health they were there for each other. She was a home maker who loved her garden and flowers. One always found her home of lodging a peaceful and pleasant place to rest while on their journeys.

Their home was blessed with a daughter Renee Turner and a son David Turner, both who survive in Shelby County, KY. Also, three grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Sister Jean was a loving and devoted wife and mother. Renee may God bless for being a wonderful and caring daughter to and for your loving mother in her sunset years.

It was on the First Sunday in April 1978, Sister Jean was baptized into full love and fellowship of the Antioch Church. While at the water, Sister Melster Newsome also came forward telling a wonderful experience of grace. These two wonderful sisters were baptized by the hands of Elders Paul Adkins and Hillard Newsome. It was here in this blessed little humble church where Sister Jean and Sister Melster began to blend their voices in singing the glorious songs of Zion. They never brought shame on the church or on their husbands as ministers.

God blessed Sister Jean to live upon His good earth 88 years and the beginning of one day. It was on this date June 8, 2021. After traveling here in this wilderness land, on her way to the promised land. She gathered her robe around her, and we feel and believe she was carried by the angels to a resting place. There she will wait in peaceful rest for that glorious resurrection morning. Then, all that have died in the in the Lord shall hear his voice, saying "come forth my Love, my redeemed, and enjoy the joys of this holy city, not made with hands. In this eternal city, you will be blessed to sing forever with this holy, happy band.

With loving memories, Elder Hillard Newsome

Friends of the Northern New Salem Association Ressie Carty Winters

March 14, 1934 – November 5, 2020



Ressie, age 86, passed away during the early morning hours of November 5th. She was born March 14th, 1934, in Salyersville, Kentucky, one of 12 children of the late Wilbur and Eliza Montgomery Carty. She was preceded in death by her parents and sons, an infant lost at birth, and Vernon Dyer, Jr. Also preceding her were her siblings, Chester Carty, Jim Carty, Tressie Charles, America Russell, Beulah Price, Silas Carty, Richard Carty, Lester Carty, Jane Dunn, Buddy Wayne Carty and infant sister, Frances.

She is survived by two children, Wilbur Dyer (Susan) of Horton, Michigan and Karen Osborne of Mansfield, Ohio. Ressie was grandmother to nine grandchildren; Nicholas Dyer, (Kelly) of Chelsea, Michigan, Michael Dyer, (Collyn) of Brecksville, Ohio, Daniel Dyer, (Megan) of Kettering, Ohio, Jarod Osborne, (Esther), of Warsaw, Indiana, and Nicole Pollauf, (Greg) of Oregon, Ohio,

Kristian (Steven) of Georgia, Brooke, Joshua and Jacob of Florida. 15 great grandchildren, Vivian, Frances, Davis, Maryn, Louise, Baby Boy Dyer arriving December 25th, Michael, Lily, Liam, Dylanie, Braelynn, Charlotte, Gracie, Michael and Joey.

Ressie grew up in Salyersville, Kentucky, and raised her children in Ohio. She spent the past 25 years living in Fort Myers, Florida with her son Vernon. Before moving to Florida she had been a member of the Little Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church in Plymouth.

Ressie was described by one of her nephews as a person who offered a "pure and unconditional love." Another said, "she was always there when our family needed her," and a third, "we will miss her dearly." Ressie's love for her family and endearing smile will be missed by us all.

Perhaps the most appropriate words to be spoken are those she wrote herself. The following quotes are a few from a letter left to her loving children.

To my wonderful children and their families, I asked God and His Son to help me to put this on paper. When you read this God and His Son, our Savior will be right there with you though my voice will be silent. Children and your

families please hear me when I say never feel guilt about your natural life, but when you have a sorrow in what you are or have been take it to the one Jesus. He will always be there. There is nothing He can't or won't do for you if you put it in his hands and trust and believe on Him.

To my children and their families, live your dreams. Enjoy your life to the fullest. Look to Jesus and His Father to be your guide, trusting in faith through Him that He will bring you safely home so we can be together forever. I love you all with a natural and eternal love.

Mom

Amber Renee Knipp

January 13, 1989 – July 30, 2021



Amber Renee Knipp, 32 of Mansfield passed away Friday July 30, 2021. She was born January 13, 1989 in Mansfield to James R. & Robin (Stewart) Hall and has been a Mansfield resident her entire life. She was a graduate of Mansfield Senior High School.

Amber is survived by her parents, James & Robin Hall of Mansfield; her two children, Brooklyn & Bradley Knipp; brother, Sean Hall of Shelby; maternal grandmother, Joyce Stewart of Texas; aunts and uncles, Trudy & Jeff Inmen of Mansfield, Cheryl & Keith Adams of Texas, Randy & Teresa Stewart of Tennessee, Trish & Dan Kookken and Eddie Stewart.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather and grandmother James & Bea Hall and her maternal grandfather, Don Stewart and uncle Ervin Hall.

Family and friends may call on Friday August 6, 2021 from 3:00-4:00 PM at Ohio Cremation & Memorial Society, 9 Chambers Road, Mansfield, Ohio 44906. Memorial expressions may be made to the family.

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Location of the 2021 Northern New Salem Association: Little Rebecca Church

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