

Former State Sen. Jim Tracy passes, leaving a legacy of service

By Dawn Hankins

Last September, Bedford County Board of Commission voted unanimously to rename the Walking Horse Railroad Overpass in honor of former State Sen. Jim Tracy. This week, the long-time friend and colleague to many in Bedford County passed after an extended illness.

The overpass, now known as the Jim Tracy Overpass, was originally part of the Walking Horse Railroad Overpass project, which had replaced a dangerous at-grade railroad crossing with a safer, elevated structure.

Commissioners approved the resolution to recognize Tracy's role in securing funding and advocating for the project at both state and federal levels.

Tracy, who represented State District 14 (including Bedford County) from 2005 to 2017, served as speaker pro tempore and chair of the senate transportation committee, making him a key figure in Tennessee's infrastructure development. He was known for championing transportation projects, including the Shelbyville bypass, and for his work with USDA Rural Development after leaving the Senate.

James Dolan "Jim" Tracy, age 69, of Murfreesboro,

passed from this life on July 3, 2026, at Alive Hospice in Murfreesboro. The former state senator was born on October 9, 1956, to the late James and Betty Tracy in Jackson.

Before he entered the world of politics, Tracy settled in the area as a highly successful insurance agent, eventually owning and operating his own insurance company for Nationwide Insurance in Shelbyville.

But many people knew that his passion was officiating high school basketball, traveling all over the mid-state. He went on to officiate junior college and division I basketball all across the southeast.

Still, he continually served and stayed involved in this community. He served as a Bedford County Board of Education member and as chairman; president of the Shelbyville-Bedford County Chamber of Commerce; founding member of the Bedford County Economic Development and Tourism Committee; and chairman of the Tennessee Leadership Council of the National Federation of Independent Business.

In November 2004, Jim made his historical entry into Tennessee state politics, winning the state senate election in the 16th district. He would go on to serve 8 years as state

senator for the 16th district and 5 years as state senator for the 14th district, representing Rutherford, Bedford, Moore, Lincoln, and Marshall Counties. He later was asked to serve under President Donald J. Trump as the Tennessee State Director of USDA Rural Development.

U.S. Sen. Marsha Blackburn said this week on her social media page, "Jim Tracy was a good man. A leader through and through; he fought to help take the majority in the State Senate and never stopped serving the people of Tennessee."

Tracy is survived by his wife, Trena Ludke Tracy; sons, Chad (Heather) Tracy of Auburn, Ala., Craig Tracy of Shelbyville, and Connor (Gracie) Tracy of Knoxville and 3 grandchildren: Will, Mitch, and Ryn. He is also survived by his brother, Steve, of Lebanon.

Funeral services were July 7, at the North Boulevard Church of Christ in Murfreesboro. Burial followed at Rosebank Cemetery in Flat Creek. Doak Funeral Home served the Tracy family.

Memorial donations may be made to Shelbyville Firefighter Foundation (111 Lane Parkway, Shelbyville, TN 37160), or to Special Kids Inc (2132 E Main St, Murfreesboro, TN 37130.)



To Bedford County, Jim Tracy will go down in history as an "out-standing legislator." Tonya Davis, BC Trustee, shares a proud moment with Tracy back in 2011. The former state senator and local businessman has passed after a long illness.



HONORING FORMER STATE SEN. JIM TRACY

Photo by Cindy Griffy



TIME CAPSULE CEREMONY POSTPONED

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

A late afternoon thunderstorm last Friday in Shelbyville called for postponement of the much-planned time capsule burial and activities planned thereafter on the square. The event has been rescheduled for Friday, July 31, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Music was moved inside the Fly Arts Center. Emergency management leaders met with Mayor Chad Graham and determined the lightning strikes were too close at 4 p.m. Because electrical charges can linger in clouds after a thunderstorm has seemingly passed, experts agree that people should wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder before resuming outdoor activities. See photos on page 2 of local July 4 events that did happen.

Council pulls back the reins on data center development

A one-year moratorium is now in place in the City

By Dawn Hankins

If City Council members were riding horses Tuesday night, as they made several pertinent decisions affecting this community, their commands would have likely been: **howdy, fixin' to saddle up and saddle up, ride on into the sunset, back up, whoa, loose up, Yee haw!**

And pretty much in that order.

Howdy to those making public comments about everything from data centers to rezonings on West Jackson Street. While some residents would see their efforts come to fruition, like a moratorium on data center development, others, like West Jackson Street resident, Chuck Glover, after months of begging Council not to approve a property rezoning, saw his request ignored and scrutinized by a Council member.

Fixin' to saddle up-The on-going Clardy rezoning ordinance (West Jackson Street) was approved on first reading by a vote of 4:2. For months, City Planning Commission and Council have tossed back and forth this rezoning request by Drew and Courtney

Clardy off West Jackson. Each time it was sent back to Council from the PC as "unfavorable," yet on Tuesday, Council still approved the rezoning, on first reading, from industrial to medium density residential.

Loose up-Councilman Henry Feldhaus addressed public comments from West Jackson Street resident Chuck Glover. The Councilman said while Glover commented that this approval was apparently already "cut and dry" due to construction movement on the property of late, Feldhaus said he has had no conversations with this couple prior to his motion/vote.

While there have been discussions by City professionals regarding potential flooding in that river area, Feldhaus said Council is just approving the rezoning within this ordinance. Feldhaus said the couple checked all the boxes, when it comes to their application.

He said the applicants will have to address any potential flooding issues within their design phase. (Nothing was mentioned that Tyson Foods, across from the property, is still against the rezoning.)

Councilman Josh Blevins,

a member of the Planning Commission, told Feldhaus if that was the way he felt, then Council should have approved the Clardy property rezoning months ago.

Blevins said the "boxes were not all checked" on the Clady application and there are notes from the PC/Planning Director, Tom Batchelor, about why this Rezoning request continues as an unfavorable recommendation.

Blevins said the property was proposed as spot and split zoning, which is not recommended here in the planning process. He also mentioned the potential flooding issue, which is a public safety concern.

Councilman Bobby Turnbow stated, "If we're going to start over ruling the Planning Commission, then why don't we just dissolve the Planning Commission?"

Feldhaus said as far as the split zoning, that will be in the floodplain and likely to never be built upon. He added if the ordinance had come up for a vote last month, he'd have voted for it but the applicants deferred.

Back Up-Council member

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Bedford County native publishes first inspirational book

Steven Flippo has recently published "How to Be Positioned for Blessing."

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Early voting begins next week

See who's on the ballot in the Republican and Democratic Primary election. Early voting begins July 17.

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Marilyn Ewing asked about whether the City would suffer any state ramifications for approving this rezoning in the flood zone.

Feldhaus said flooding will have to be built into the design and the property owners will have to adapt. He added it is not the “purview” of Council to get into that permitting process only

to approve or deny the rezoning request.

Blevins and Councilman Turnbow voted no on the Clardy request.

Ride on into the sunset-Feldhaus stated that if Council can approve a multi-million-dollar development (near Jostens) he believes they should approve the rezoning for this local couple, so they

too can build some nice homes for residents.

In other Council business:

Halt-

• Council approved unanimously on Tuesday a resolution authorizing a moratorium on development of all data centers, including cryptocurrency mining and similar high impact land uses in the City. This

moratorium is only for one year, which will give Council time to study and research impacts of such development on infrastructure, utilities, etc. Mayor Randy Carroll said he believed Council made a good move on this vote.

• Council deferred action on purchasing the U.S. Bank building on the square, which is

near City Hall. Council is considering moving some City offices there but discussed in recent study session how more research needs to go into the adequacy of the structure, price, etc.

• No mention was made Tuesday of the 12 acres of Musgrave property near the Musgrave ball field, which the City wanted to pur-

chase for a new public safety building. It was discussed in study session recently that the owners were asking way over the appraisal value of the property-\$300,000 per acre. The City has rescinded its purchase offer at this time.

Yee haw! Council adjourned in less than an hour.



WARTRACE FIREWORKS 2026

Photos by Eric Maddox

The Wartrace fireworks show was held on Friday, July 3, without a hitch. Bell Buckle had a grand red, white and blue event as well over the weekend.



SHELBYVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION

SP&R Photo

The annual fireworks show was held at H.V. Griffin Park on Saturday night. Lots of other activities, including games and music, preceded the event.



Scott’s Chapel UMC recognized by state disparities group

This month, the TN Health Disparities Group highlighted Scott’s Chapel United Methodist Church in Shelbyville for its outstanding commitment to addressing food insecurity.

For nearly 5 years, the church has served the community through a compassionate food outreach ministry that includes a monthly drive-through distribution of nutritious food, a Blessing Box program, and emergency food assistance for individuals and families facing unexpected hardships.

Each month, dedicated volunteers distribute approximately 110 food bags and boxes to seniors, individuals experiencing homelessness, and families with limited incomes, ensuring that everyone in need is welcomed without regard to race, creed, or financial

circumstances. Through thoughtful planning, community partnerships, and a strong spirit of service, Scotts Chapel has become a trusted resource for neighbors across Bedford County.

Led by Pastor Virginia Yeargins and supported by a committed team of volunteers, this ministry continues to make a meaningful impact by reducing food insecurity, promoting community wellbeing, and demonstrating how compassion and collaboration can strengthen healthier, more resilient communities.

The Division of Health Disparities Elimination (DHDE) supports the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) in engaging and connecting populations to care, services, and resources that help eliminate health disparities across the state.

Guided by the core

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

FUMC WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY

Lay Leader, John Carney, will preach “Sow with Abandon” from Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23, at First United Methodist Church on the public square, this Sunday, July 12. Sunday School for all ages begins at 9 a.m., followed by the worship service at 10 a.m. Nursery and Children’s Church are available during worship. For those unable to attend FUMC-S in person, the church offers a livestream on Facebook and YouTube and a broadcast on WLJ 98.7 FM and AM 1580.

FIRST PREZ VBS PLANNED

First Presbyterian Church invites everyone to join them this Sunday, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in their historic sanctuary as Interim Minister Jeannie Hunter leads the worship service. ALSO, beginning Sunday, July 12th, and running thru Wednesday, July 15th, First Prez will have its Vacation Bible School. VBS begins at 5:00 p.m., and ends at 7:15 p.m. Ages PreK thru rising 5th graders are invited to join them in “Rome” for “Paul and the Underground Church”. Please call the church office at 931-684-6541 to register. Please join us at the church behind the U.S. Post Office.

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everyone deserves a seat at the table and equitable opportunities to achieve their best possible health.

Summer picnic highlights Volunteer Garden Club meeting

Volunteer Garden Club held its June meeting at the home of June Gilmore. The members met in the cabin that overlooks the landscape. Members sat on the porch and enjoyed the view.

Lunch was barbecue, slaw and baked beans.

Plans for the rest of the year were discussed.

There will be a presidents’ meeting July 14, in Brentwood. The club’s July meeting will be held at Lynfield Gardens in Bell Buckle on July 17.

Fall meetings resume on Oct. 2nd at the Farm Bureau building.

Cool tomato recipe for mid-summer heat

Tennessee may be encumbered with humidity in July but those pounds



of tomatoes we cherish can come to the rescue in this cool recipe.

Stuffed Cherry Tomatoes

- Features Impact
- 24-48 cherry tomatoes
 - 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
 - 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
 - 1 medium cucumber, peeled and diced
 - 3 green onion stalks, diced
 - 2 teaspoons minced dill
 - fresh dill, for garnish
1. Cut thin slice off top of each tomato. Scoop out pulp. Invert tomatoes on paper towel to drain.
 2. In medium bowl, combine cream cheese and mayonnaise until smooth. Stir in cucumber, green onion and dill. Spoon mixture into tomatoes. Top with fresh dill.
 3. Refrigerate until ready to serve.



FLY ARTS CENTER SHELTERS PATRIOTIC EVENTS

Fly Photo

Scheduled musicians on Friday were happy to have the Fly Arts Center as shelter.



BEAUTY WITHIN THE STORM

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

Despite the thunder and lightning Friday afternoon, there was beauty to behold on the square.

BC Government releases information on 2026-2027 budget
Books will soon be handed to a new mayor and several new Commissioners

On June 30, Bedford County Board of Commissioners approved \$198 million in budgets for the 2026-27 fiscal year which begins July 1, while holding the line on taxes.

This was a reappraisal year, with most Bedford County property owners receiving higher appraisals of their property values. The reappraisal process is intended to be revenue-neutral – it’s carefully regulated and is meant to be an accurate measure of what a property is worth, not a way to generate more tax dollars. So, during reappraisal years, the state assigns each reappraised county a target “certified tax rate” which would raise about the same amount of money when applied to the new values that the old rate raised with the old values. Any new rate higher than the certified tax rate would be considered a tax increase for most property owners, even if the rate itself looks lower than the previous year’s rate.

Last year’s property tax rate was \$2.3252 per \$100 assessed value; this year’s certified tax rate, as provided by the state, is \$1.5083 per \$100 assessed value, and that’s what commissioners approved last month. The fact that commissioners held to the certified rate means that the average county property owner should not see much change in their property tax bill – unless their property value rose more or less than the average, or they made improvements which altered the value of their property.

Here are the individual budget funds approved at the special called June 30 meeting:

- General Purpose School Fund \$106,880,712
- General Fund \$43,637,966
- General Debt Service \$22,215,494
- Child Nutrition \$8,433,071
- Education Capital Projects \$6,590,432
- Highway/Public Works \$5,055,535
- County Capital Projects \$4,719,639
- School Age Care Program \$672,282
- Drug Control Fund \$250

TOTAL: \$198,205,381

The tax rate breaks down as follows:

- County General Fund \$0.9276
- General Purpose Schools \$0.4022
- General Debt Service \$0.0973
- Highway/Public Works \$0.0584
- County Capital Project \$0.0228

TOTAL: \$1.5083 per \$100 assessed value

Keep in mind that assessed value is not the same thing as appraised value. Assessed value is a fraction of appraised value depending on what type of property (residential, commercial, agricultural) is being discussed. For residential property, the assessed value is 25 percent of the appraised value.

At Tuesday night’s meeting, commissioners also approved last-minute amendments to the 2025-26 school and county general budgets, bringing them into balance as the old fiscal year closes.

Such amendments account for unexpected revenues or expenditures.

The vote to set the tax rate and the vote to appropriate money to each separate fund were each passed by a 17-0 margin. A later vote to approve the full, line-item budgets was approved 15-2.

Commissioners also approved a series of routine annual resolutions related to the budget and the fiscal year.

Prior to the full commission meeting, the Financial Management Committee held a special called meeting to recommend the budget amendments.

Red, white and blue decor and fireworks of a different kind!

By Dawn Hankins

My very expectant daughter, and I, were excited to attend the Time Capsule burial planned for last Friday.

As we got into town, it looked like the bottom was about to fall out of the sky. It did.

So, what to do? What to do?

We ducked into Bocelli Restaurant on the square to wait and see what the County was planning to do-have it or postpone. As we sat there with our chicken parmesan and pizza, streaks of lightning could be seen and heard over the courthouse. The lights flickered. The register was

off for a short time.

The service was so nice. And we took generous portions home with us. Thank you for being open! The crew felt they were going to be slammed when the concerts over at the Fly were over that night.

Needless to say, the Time Capsule event was postponed until July 31, beginning at 4:30 p.m. The lightning and thunder were just too close for comfort.

I was so proud to see so many stores open and serving the community Friday afternoon, considering it was the start of 4th holiday and the weather was terrible.

One of those shops open was J Jordan Boutique. So, we headed over there to try to find Val a dress to wear to an upcoming baby shower at church.

They are so creative-offering a percentage of 17.76% off their sale items.

We found two dresses, with the help of owner Jennifer Jordan. It looked beautiful on Val. You know my favorite saying is: “You get what you pay for.” And that is so true. Jennifer spends a lot of time at market, selecting just the right clothes for us gals. Thanks! See Jennifer in the business spotlight on this page.

By the time we finished at J Jordan, it was raining pretty steady. So, we headed home.

I thought about how a dreary day was made so much better by local businesses, offering that warmth and excellent customer service. And spending it with my sweet family member (s) made even more special.

You can’t beat it folks. So, shop at home, as much as possible.

Business Spotlights



TrottCo Excavating

This week, we highlight TrottCo Excavating- a top excavating contractor in Shelbyville, providing professional excavation services and septic installation for residential, commercial, and municipal projects in the surrounding areas.

It was our 2025 story on Trott Excavation that won the T-G “Best Business Coverage” at this year’s Tennessee Press Association Awards. Aside of doing excavation work, Jeremy Trott and his crew also help members of the community in need.

The TPA winning story featured Trott and how, out of his busy schedule, he helped a lady in need with septic problems. He helped secure GoFundMe dollars and also put in some of his own funding.

It’s these types of businesses that make this County great! Thank you, Jeremy and team!



J Jordan Boutique

J Jordan Boutique on the public square is a fine apparel shop, with a mission to inspire a woman’s self-expression and individuality.

Owner Jennifer Jordan Thompson will tell you that for many years, she and her staff, have dedicated themselves to empowering women with confidence through fashion.

J Jordan is proud to be in Shelbyville and welcomes the opportunity to curate a selection of chic and trendy apparel.

Jennifer has recently been to market. So, get ready to step into your power with each piece you select.

It’s almost horse show time. What are you waiting for? Come on downtown to the square.

Bedford Briefs

- **Local Law Enforcement** will conduct a destruction on Thursday July 9, 2026, at the city burn pit on Amos Smith Road.
- **Bedford County Farm Bureau** will host its Annual Meeting/Customer Appreciation Dinner on Friday, Aug. 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at the Farm Bureau office located at 323 Bethany Lane, Shelbyville. (The annual meeting date has been changed due to scheduling conflicts.)
- **Bedford County Democratic Party** is sponsoring a Meet and Greet with Democrat candidates on July 11 beginning at 3:30 at the H.V. Griffin Park. Candidates who plan to attend are:
 - Marquita Bradshaw, U.S. Senate
 - Maria Brewer, U.S. Senate
 - Justin J. Pearson, U. S. House, District 9
 - London Lamar, U. S. House, District 9
 - Jerri Green, Governor
 - Johnny Reed, Register of Deeds



NEW EV FAST CHARGING STATIONS!

SPWSS Photo

In partnership with the Tennessee Valley Authority, Shelbyville Power, Water and Sewerage System has installed a new EV fast charging station in Shelbyville. Conveniently located just off the square, these stations will provide reliable and accessible charging options for both residents and visitors, according to SPWSS. An official ribbon-cutting is planned soon.

- Brie Akers, TN House, District 62
- Pat Coreno, County Commission District 3

• **ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL BASH** will be at HV Griffin Park Pavilion Saturday, July 11, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.; free backpacks, school supplies and food.

• **5TH DISTRICT MEET THE CANDIDATES:** On Saturday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m., the Raus Community Center will host a public forum with Constitutional Office Candidates. Candidates will answer questions submitted by audience members to an emcee. No direct comments will be taken from the floor. Candidates will be available after the forum for one on one conversations. Casual attire event, no RSVP required, all are welcome. Water will be provided. For information, contact Dwaine Stocky, 931-222-7268 or dstocky70@gmail.com.

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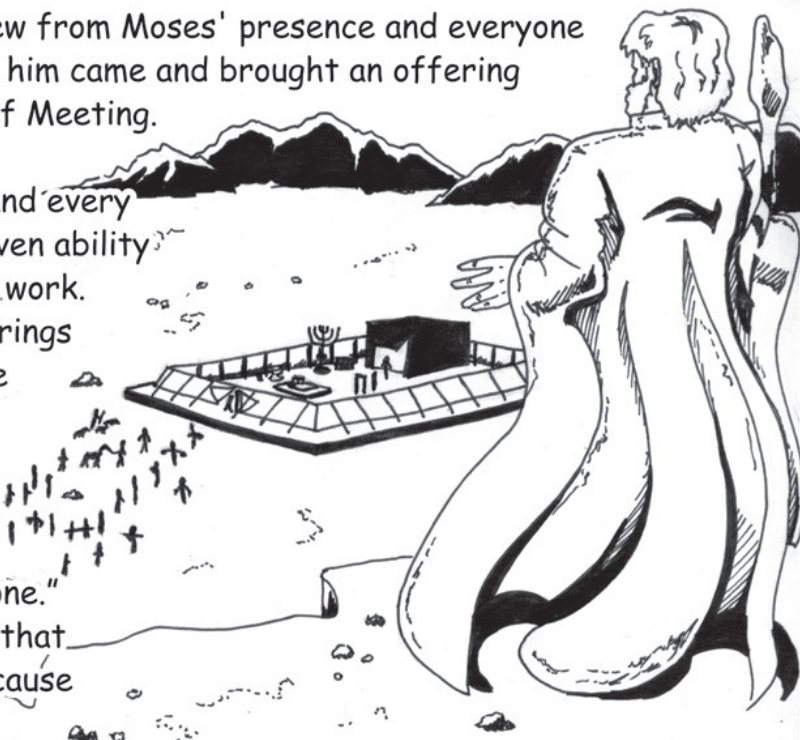
TRUTH IN SCRIPTURE

Material for the Tabernacle Exodus 35-36

Moses assembled the people of Israel and told them that the Lord had commanded that they were to take an offering for the Lord from what they had. "Everyone who is willing is to bring to the Lord an offering.....", he told them. Moses continued, "All who are skilled among you are to come and make everything the Lord has commanded: the tabernacle with it's tent and"

The whole Israelite community withdrew from Moses' presence and everyone who was willing and whose heart moved him came and brought an offering to the Lord for the work on the Tent of Meeting.

Moses summoned Bezalel and Oholiab and every skilled person to whom the Lord had given ability and who was willing to come and do the work. They received from Moses all the offerings the Israelites had brought. The people continued to bring freewill offerings morning after morning. The workmen said to Moses, "The people are bringing more than enough for doing the work the Lord commanded to be done." Moses sent word throughout the camp that no more offerings were to be made because they already had more than enough.



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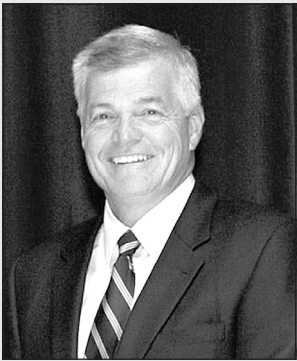
James Dolan Tracy

James Dolan Tracy, age 69, of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, passed from this life on July 3, 2026, at Alive Hospice in Murfreesboro.

Jim was born on October 9, 1956, to the late James and Betty Tracy in Jackson, Tennessee.

Jim was raised in Hardin County and graduated from Savannah Central High School, Class of 1974. He was a standout two-sport athlete for the Tigers in both football and baseball throughout high school, leading to a stellar baseball career as a starting pitcher for both Freed-Hardeman College and the University of Tennessee at Martin. He earned his degree in Agriculture Education from UT-Martin.

Soon after, he began his six-year career as a high school coach and a teacher. "Coach Tracy" is still fondly remembered by his players at South-



east Whitfield in Dalton, Georgia, Mobile Christian in Mobile, Alabama, and Columbia Academy in Columbia, Tennessee.

Jim then settled in as a highly successful insurance agent, eventually owning and operating his own insurance company for Nationwide Insurance in Shelbyville, Tennessee. For more than 20 years, he sold all lines of insurance and made strong connections with people from all over the middle Tennessee area. Meanwhile, he stayed busy in his free time pursuing his passion of officiating high school bas-

ketball, traveling all over the midstate and thoroughly enjoying his interactions with coaches and players. He went on to officiate junior college and Division I basketball all across the southeast.

Jim continually served and stayed involved in the Shelbyville community. He served as a Bedford County Board of Education member and chairman, President of the Shelbyville-Bedford County Chamber of Commerce, founding member of the Bedford County Economic Development and Tourism committee, and Chairman of the Tennessee Leadership Council of the National Federation of Independent Business.

In November 2004, Jim made his historical entry into Tennessee state politics, winning the State Senate election in the 16th district. He would go on to serve eight years as State Senator for

the 16th district, representing Rutherford, Bedford, and Moore County, and five years as State Senator for the 14th district, representing Rutherford, Bedford, Moore, Lincoln, and Marshall County. He served as Assistant Floor Leader of the Senate Republican Caucus, the Chair of the Senate Transportation Committee, and a member of the Senate Education Committee and the Senate State and Local Government Committee. He also served as Speaker Pro Tempore under Lt. Governor and Speaker of the Senate Randy McNally. Additionally, he was a very popular U.S. Congressional candidate in both the 2010 and 2014 Republican primaries. He later was honored to serve under President Donald J. Trump as the Tennessee State Director of USDA Rural Development.

In his free time, Jim

also enjoyed golfing, running/walking, attending local events, quail hunting, spending time with his family and especially his grandkids, and University of Tennessee and Middle Tennessee State University athletics. He loved being outdoors and always enjoyed meeting all the great people across the state. His relationships span all 95 of Tennessee's counties and his public service will forever be legendary.

Jim was a lifelong faithful Christian, a loving husband, a devoted family man, a proud father and grandfather, and a treasured friend to many.

He is survived by his loving wife of nearly 50 years, Trena Ludke Tracy; his sons, Chad (Heather) Tracy of Auburn, Alabama, Craig Tracy of Shelbyville, and Connor (Gracie) Tracy of Knoxville, Tennessee; and three grandchildren:

Will, Mitch, and Ryn. He is also survived by his brother Steve of Lebanon, Tennessee.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at the North Boulevard Church of Christ in Murfreesboro (1112 N. Rutherford Blvd, Murfreesboro, TN 37130) with Brother Tony Holt officiating. Burial will follow at Rosebank Cemetery in Flat Creek, Tennessee with Russ Countess Officiating.

Visitation with the family will be held prior to funeral services beginning at 10 a.m. on Tuesday at North Boulevard Church of Christ. Memorial donations may be made to Shelbyville Firefighter Foundation (111 Lane Parkway, Shelbyville, TN 37160), or to Special Kids Inc

(2132 E Main St Murfreesboro, TN 37130).

Doak Funeral Home is serving the family.
 www.doakfh.com

Chearldean “Mama Shirley” Biggers

Chearldean “Mama Shirley” Biggers was born on September 12, 1946, in Cleveland, Ohio, to the late John Albert Taylor and Bessie Lee Taylor. On July 4, 2026, after a brief illness, Chearldean peacefully completed a life filled with love, faith, service, and devotion to her family and community.

Chearldean was educated in the Cleveland, Ohio Public School System and built a strong work legacy through her years as a line technician with several manufacturing companies in Shelbyville, including Fly, Eaton, and Calsonic. Known for her steady hands, dependable spirit, and commitment to excellence, she carried pride and purpose into everything she did.

Beyond her work,



Chearldean was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend who created a warm and beautiful home for her family. She found joy in baking, sewing, gardening, and caring for those she loved. Her Red Velvet cakes became a cherished favorite throughout the community and beyond, a sweet reflection of the love she poured into every gift she shared.

More than 45 years ago, Chearldean became a member of the King-

dom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, where she faithfully lived out her beliefs through service and compassion. She was especially dedicated to the Jail Ministry, believing deeply in meeting people where they are and in the hope of redemption for all. Chearldean's kindness was shown not only in words, but in action—whether by transporting others to service, doctors' appointments, or the pharmacy, she made herself available to help whenever she was needed. Her life was a testimony of generosity, faith, and love in motion.

Chearldean was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 54 years, Robert Biggers, Sr.; her parents, John and Bessie Lee Taylor; her siblings, Rosie Wiley, Ira Taylor, and Darlene Taylor; her sisters-in-law,

Katherine Biggers, Sammie Frazier, Dorothy Jean Brown, Annie Ruth Harrison, and Joanne Bryant; and her brother-in-law, John Brown. She leaves to cherish her memory and celebrate her beautiful life: her devoted son, Robert (Carolyn) Biggers, Jr.; her devoted daughters, Carman Biggers and Carla (John) Kennerly; devoted nephew, Kim (Brian) Taylor; her loving grandchildren, Ryan Biggers, Camille Biggers, Jared Bell, Erica Kennerly, and JaVon Kennerly; a host of great-grandchildren; her brothers- in-law, Willie Biggers, Jr., Harold Bryant, Harold Biggers Sr., Larry (Naomi) Biggers, and Doyle (Cynthia) Biggers; her sisters-in-laws, Gail (Skip) Johnson and Vera Taylor; and a host of other relatives and friends who were blessed by her warmth, wisdom,

and loving presence.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Chearldean “Mama Shirley” Biggers extends our deepest and most heartfelt appreciation to everyone who has shown us love during this time of loss. Your prayers, comforting words, thoughtful gestures, visits, calls, and acts of kindness have strengthened us and reminded us that we are not alone. Each expression of sympathy has been a blessing, and we are truly grateful for the support, compassion, and love you have shared with our family.

We offer special appreciation to the caring staff at Ascension St. Thomas Rutherford and Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton Hospital for the kindness and care shown to our loved one. We are also sincerely grateful to the

brothers and sisters of the Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall and to Bird Street Church of Christ in Shelbyville, Tennessee, for their continued prayers, encouragement, and support.

We are truly grateful to the staff at Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel for the comprehensive funeral services and the care shown to our family during our time of bereavement. May each of you know how deeply your love has touched our hearts.

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• Bird Street Church of Christ, 428 Bird Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160

Susan Elizabeth Pastorial

Susan Elizabeth Pastorial, surrounded by her family, passed away peacefully at home in Shelbyville, TN, on June 28, 2026.

Susan was born April 14, 1952, to Roy and Murl Bice, as well as three older brothers (Dick, Jerry, and Ken) in Bridgeport, WV. She attended Bridgeport High School during which she met her future husband, John Roger Pastorial (Shinnston, WV). Despite attending rival high schools, they were married on February 10, 1973, and remained steadfastly loyal to each other while raising their three children - Jeffrey, Bethany, and Whitney - and cherishing their grandson, Aaron.

Susan graduated from Fairmont University in 1972 with an associate's degree in nursing and spent her 30 year career caring for patients in the ICU, CCU, NICU, ED, and outpatient surgery. She enjoyed many years of traveling with her husband, swimming in Florida winters, and studying scripture, but she was most notably a dedicated pianist. She ministered through music as the church pianist for many congregations in TN, IN, WV, and FL.

Susan was a dedicated mother and grandmother, loving wife, compassionate nurse, and devout Christian.

Susan is survived by



her loving husband John; her children Jeffrey (Beth) Pastorial, Bethany (Jason) Pastorial, and Whitney Pastorial; grandson Aaron Pastorial; and brother Kenneth Bice. She is preceded in death but happily reunited with her parents Roy and Murl Bice, brother Richard “Dick” Bice, brother Gerald “Jerry” Bice, son Johnathan, and daughter Krista Jill.

A Celebration of Life will occur at Edgemont Baptist Church in Shelbyville, TN, on August 14, 2026. Visitation will occur from 3-5 pm, memorial service from 5-6 pm, and a small reception will follow. Edgemont Baptist Church is located at 150 Fairfield Pike, Shelbyville, TN, 37160.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Cancer Society or Edgemont Baptist Church (Shelbyville, TN) in Susan's name.

Donations will also be collected at Susan's Celebration of Life.

Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel is honored to be serving the family of Susan Elizabeth Pastorial.

Nellie Marie Cook Mearse

Nellie Marie Cook Mearse, 85, of Shelbyville, died July 3, 2026. Funeral Services will be held 12:00 P.M., Tuesday, July 7th, at Hillcrest Funeral Home Pastor Ron Smith officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Visitation will begin at 10:00 A.M.

She was a native of Shelbyville; retired employee of General Electric Manufacturing Co. of Murfreesboro and a member of the Methodist Church.

Nellie was preceded in death by her parents, Theodore Roosevelt Cook and Lillie White Crowell Cook; her husband, Thomas Ray Mearse; and two broth-



ers, Elbert "Bud" Cook and Willie "Buck" Cook.

She is survived by her son, Timothy K. Maupin (Glenda) of Woodbury, TN.; a sister, Betty (Donald) Rogers of Shelbyville; 1 grandchild; 2 step grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, cousins and her caregiver, Angela Haskins.

Hillcrest Funeral Home is serving the family.

Obituaries continue on 6A...

Death Notices

Jerry Dale Manley, age 74, of Lewisburg Died Tuesday, July 7, 2026 at NHC Lewisburg. Lawrence Funeral Home in Chapel Hill
Priscilla “Cilla” F. Gaulden, age 74, of Shelbyville Born on October 3, 1951 - July 3, 2026 Doak Funeral Home is serving the family.
James Glendon Westmoreland, age 76, of Shelbyville February 13, 1950 - July 2, 2026 Doak Funeral Home is serving the family.
Janice Robitaille Smith, age 83, of Shelbyville March 15, 1943 - July 6, 2026 Doak Funeral Home is serving the family.
Sherri Mullins, age 67, of Shelbyville July 11, 1958, - July 4, 2026 Doak Funeral Home is serving the family.
J. C. Elliott, age 86, of Shelbyville July 22, 1939 - July 5, 2026 Doak Funeral Home is serving the family.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Shelbyville Employees' Benefits Review Committee will meet on Thursday, July 16, 2026 at 9:30 AM in Council Chambers, Building, Codes and Planning Department, 100 N. Cannon Blvd. Shelbyville, TN to discuss various benefits of the Employees of the City of Shelbyville.

A full Agenda with specific subject matter will be posted at least 48 hours prior to the meetings.

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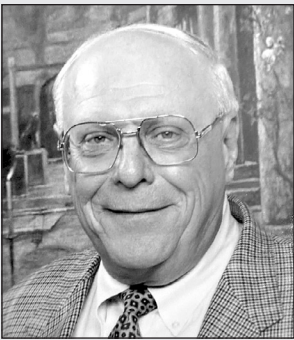


NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF NEED

This is to provide official notice to the Health Facilities Commission and all interested parties, in accordance with T.C.A. §68-11-1601 et seq., and the Rules of the Health Facilities Commission, that Sunray HHA TN, LLC, a/an proposed home health agency owned by Sunray HHA TN, LLC, with an ownership type of Limited Liability Company (For Profit) and to be managed by itself intends to file an application for a Certificate of Need for the establishment of a home care organization and the initiation of home health services limited to home infusion services. The project will serve a proposed service area of 95 counties: Anderson, Bedford, Benton, Bledsoe, Blount, Bradley, Campbell, Cannon, Carroll, Carter, Cheatham, Chester, Claiborne, Clay, Cooke, Coffee, Crockett, Cumberland, Davidson, Decatur, DeKalb, Dickson, Dyer, Fayette, Fentress, Franklin, Gibson, Giles, Grainger, Greene, Grundy, Henderson, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardeman, Hardin, Hawkins, Haywood, Hamblen, Henry, Hickman, Houston, Humphreys, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Lake, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Loudon, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Maury, McMinn, McNairy, Meigs, Monroe, Montgomery, Moore, Morgan, Obion, Overton, Perry, Pickett, Polk, Putnam, Rhea, Roane, Robertson, Rutherford, Scott, Sequatchie, Sevier, Shelby, Smith, Stewart, Sullivan, Sumner, Tipton, Trousdale, Unicoi, Union, Van Buren, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Weakley, White, Williamson, and Wilson Counties. The address of the project will be 740 Cool Springs Blvd., Suite 120, Office 1, Franklin, Williamson County, Tennessee, 37067. The estimated project cost will be \$202,418. The anticipated date of filing the application is 08/01/2026. The contact person for this project is Mr. Michael Brent who may be reached at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP- 1221 Broadway #2400, Nashville, TN 37203- Contact No. 615-252-2361. The published Letter of Intent must contain the following statement pursuant to T.C.A. §68-11-1607 (c)(1). (A) Any healthcare institution wishing to oppose a Certificate of Need application must file a written notice with the Health Facilities Commission no later than fifteen (15) days before the regularly scheduled Health Facilities Commission meeting at which the application is originally scheduled; and (B) Any other person wishing to oppose the application may file a written objection with the Health Facilities Commission at or prior to the consideration of the application by the Commission, or may appear in person to express opposition. Written notice of opposition may be sent to: Health Facilities Commission, Andrew Jackson Building, 9th Floor, 503 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37243 or email at hsd.a.staff@tn.gov.

Ronald Turner Jackson, Sr.

Ronald Turner Jackson, Sr. Passed away peacefully on July 4, 2026 in the company of his wife of over 70 years, Faith Carrow Jackson. Ronald was the son of Lacy Turner Jackson and Mabyan Walls Jackson. Born in Nashville, Tennessee he spent most of his early years in Fosterville, Tennessee until moving back to Nashville at the age of fourteen. Ronald would go on to join the U.S. Army during the Korean War and proudly wore his veterans hat his entire life. After finishing his military service October 12, 1955, he would marry the love of his life, Faith, on October 29, 1955. Faith was a Yankee by birth (Lowell, Massachusetts) but quickly became a Southerner once married. Ronald would graduate from Vanderbilt University with a business degree in January, 1959. During this time Ronald and Faith would start a family with the birth of Ronald Turner Jackson, Jr. (August 24, 1956), Kenneth Grant Jackson (December 6, 1957) and David Lee Jackson (October 24, 1960). To say these were busy times is a great understatement. After graduation, Ronald would join Westinghouse, a career that lasted 32 years. He would go on to become the Vice President of Finance at Westinghouse Credit Corporation. The family moved between the suburbs of Atlanta (Tucker) and Pittsburgh several times during Ronald's career. Ronald and Faith moved back to Middle Tennessee after their retirement and settled on



Lake Normandy. Ronald was an avid Trap shooter during his life with over 100,000 Federal Registered targets to his credit. He loved shooting and he and Faith would travel the country while doing so. He was also proud to be a Mason, one of the few things his father asked him to do. They loved their boys and were always present at anything they did (which at times meant three baseball games on a Saturday). Ronald and Faith are both members of the Foster-ville Church of Christ. Ronald is survived by his wife Faith, his son Ken, five grandchildren (Kate, Caroline, Grant, Ginny and David Lee) and seven great grandchildren and many other cousins. A service to remember Ronald is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8th at Foster-ville Church of Christ beginning with visitation at 10:00am, service at 10:45 and graveside for family following. The family would like to say thank you to the kind caregivers at Carriage House Inn for their loving care and compassion. In lieu of flowers, a contribution in remembrance of Ronald can be made to the Foster-ville Church of Christ. Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel is honored to be serving The Family of Ronald Turner Jackson.

Dorothy Jane Baker Hathaway

Dorothy Jane Baker Hathaway 86 of Shelbyville died July 2, 2026. She was born December 19, 1939 in Shelbyville to her parents the late B.W. Baker and Gertrude Swain Baker. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Richard Charles Hathaway and a brother, Willard Baker.

She retired from Empire Berol Company and worked later for the Bedford County Zoning Office. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and in later years, served in the People's Church. She was caretaker for her mother for quite a few years.

She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, stepmother, wife, and a believer who was loved by all her children and grandchildren for her humor, passion and style.

She is survived by her children, Anthony W. (Matilda) Harris, Lisa Dawn White and Timothy Scott Harris; brother, David (Dawn) Baker, all of Shelbyville; 6 grandchildren, Shan Harris, Fallon (Matt)



Pagello, Robert Anthony Harris, Olivia Harris, Meredith White, Kally Harris; 6 great grandchildren, Abby Harris, Riley Harris, Dalcyce Bird, Landry Pagello, Allie Harris, Jaylon Ewing and one great-grandchild, Jericho Fritchley; step-children, Shelba (Darin) Philpott of Manchester, Robin Shawn (Christopher) Hix of Gordonsville, Richard Shelton Hathaway of Manchester, 6 step grandchildren and several step great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held 11:00 A.M. Monday, July 6th, at Hillcrest Funeral Home with the Rev. Drew Hayes officiating. Burial will follow at Willow Mount Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 9:00 A.M.

Hillcrest Funeral Home is serving the family.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Thomas N. Lippman, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 17, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Thomas N. Lippman, who died 06/12/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 17th day of June, 2026. /s/ Matthew T. Lippman ,Administrator CTA /s/ W. Andrew Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & White, Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (722tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Kellye Jean Atkins, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 23, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Kellye Jean Atkins, who died 04/30/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 23rd day of June, 2026. /s/ Christian Tate Atkins, Administrator /s/ Anthony W Harris., Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (722tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Patricia Ann Williams, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 17, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Patricia Ann Williams, who died 01/08/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

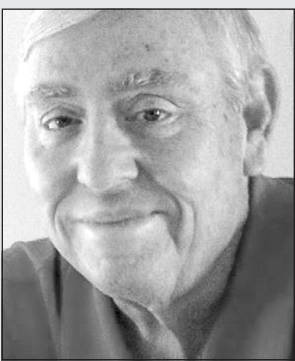
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 17th day of June, 2026. /s/ Kenneth Michael Belknap, Administrator /s/ John T. Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & White, Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (722tp)

James "Jimmy" Edward Williams

James "Jimmy" Edward Williams, 77, of Murfreesboro, Tn., died July 4, 2026. Funeral Services will be held 12:00 p.m. Saturday, July 11th, at Hillcrest Funeral Home with the Rev. Fred Baldwin officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m.

He was born September 16, 1948, in Tullahoma, Tn., to his parents, the late Earl Williams and Dessie Dean Qualls Williams. He was preceded in death also by two sisters, Janice Elaine Baldwin and Sherry Ellene Gernat.

Jimmy is survived by his wife of 54 years, Linda Simpson Williams; two sons, Matthew Edward Williams of Mt. Juliet, Tn., and Mark Patrick Williams (Stephnie) of Murfreesboro; a sister,



Patsy Faye Lund (Larry) of Tullahoma; 4 grandchildren, Kellar Williams, Neely Williams, Breck Williams and Kylie Williams.

He was a teacher/coach and administrator in the Bedford County School System; a member of St. Luke Catholic Church in Smyrna; a member of the Knights of Columbus and Director of Transportation for Bedford County.

Jimmy was a loving husband, father, grandfather and a mentor to many young people.

Hillcrest Funeral Home is serving the Williams family.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Gerald Michael Denny, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 17, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Gerald Michael Denny, who died 05/10/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 17th day of June, 2026. /s/ Sherry Elaine Montgomery, Executrix /s/ W. Andrew Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & White, Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (722tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Eli T. Biggers, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 22, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Eli T. Biggers, who died 06/11/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 22nd day of June, 2026. /s/ Demetra Pulley, Executrix /s/ John T. Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & White, Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (722tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Donald Joseph Locke, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 22, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Donald Joseph Locke, who died 04/21/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 22nd day of June, 2026. /s/ Dawn Renea Locke Lie, Executrix /s/ Joe M. Lambert Jr., Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (722tp)

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AUCTION

Today's date 7/9/2026

The following vehicles will be sold at Daniel's Auto Repair

120 Sunlite Rd.,

Shelbyville, TN 37160

Beginning 7/20/2026 at 8:00 AM. If you have any interest in any of these Vehicles:

RE: 2017 DODG

VIN: 2CARDGCG6HR573838

RE: 2018 NISS

VIN: 1N6AF0KY1N812723

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION TO: UNKNOWN FATHERS

CASE NUMBER: 703

IN RE:

THE ADOPTION OF A MALE CHILD:

MASON COOPER-BENTLY, DOB: May 18, 2011, and

THE ADOPTION OF A FEMALE CHILD:

SCARLETT IVY-PAIGE MCBEE, DOB: June 28, 2020, MICHAEL ROLAND YOUNG and

MICHELE LEE YOUNG, PETITIONERS,

vs.

CASE NO. 703

UNKNOWN FATHERS, RESPONDENTS.

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint which is sworn to, that THE RESIDENCES OF UNKNOWN FATHERS ARE UNKNOWN AND CANNOT BE ASCERTAINED UPON DILIGENT INQUIRY, UNKNOWN FATHERS are required to appear on or before August 9, 2026, before the undersigned Clerk and Master and make defense to the Complaint and serve a copy of their Answer to the Plaintiffs solicitor, Gary D. Beasley, Attorney at Law, 201 East Main Street, Suite 250, Murfreesboro, TN 37130, or otherwise, Judgment by Default may be entered against UNKNOWN FATHERS for the relief demanded in the Complaint. It is further ORDERED that this notice be published for four (4) consecutive weeks in THE SHELBYVILLE TIMES-GAZETTE.

This 5th day of June 2026.

/s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master

/s/ Gary D. Beasley, Attorney for the Petitioners (6184tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Bonnie Mae Williams, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on June 30, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Bonnie Mae Williams who died 02/12/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 30th day of June, 2026. /s/ Brenna Kay Stowell, Executrix /s/ Trisha L Henegar, Attorney /s/ Curt M. Cobb, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (792tp)

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NOTICE OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Note dated NOVEMBER 22, 2024, and the Deed of Trust of even date, securing said Note recorded NOVEMBER 25, 2024 in Book TD1137, at Page 266-281, as Document #24007831, in the Register's office for BEDFORD County, Tennessee, executed by TAMIA STANTON, A SINGLE WOMAN, conveying the certain property described therein to REALTY TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY, INC., Trustee, for the benefit of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR FAIRWAY INDEPENDENT MORTGAGE CORPORATION, its successors and assigns and to MARINOSCI LAW GROUP, P.C., having been appointed as Successor Trustee by instrument of record JUNE 17, 2026 in the Register's office for BEDFORD County, Tennessee in Book TD1195, at Page 987-989, as Document #26004434.

WHEREAS, the owner and holder of the Note has declared the entire indebtedness due and payable and demanded that the hereinafter described real property be advertised and sold in satisfaction of indebtedness and costs of foreclosure in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Note and Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that an agent of

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that for default in payment of the debt secured by the Deed of Trust from JAMES CHADWICK TUCKER, to Richard W. Gabriel, Trustee, dated January 31, 2024, and recorded in Trust Deed Book 1109, Page 413, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, and Jeremy B. Bell appointed as Successor Trustee by instrument of record in Trust Deed Book 1194, page 753, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, the undersigned, as Substitute Trustee, at the request of Donald Parker, the owner and holder of said debt and pursuant to the authority of the Deed of Trust has demanded that the below described property be advertised and sold in satisfaction of the debt, will sell at the front door of the Bedford County Courthouse located at 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, Tennessee, on July 31, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. local prevailing time to the highest bidder, for cash, the following property located in the Twenty-Third (23rd) Civil District of Bedford County, TN:

TRACT NO. 1: Lying and being in the Twenty-third (23rd) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: The following described tract is bound on the West by State Highway 130, on the South by Patricia J. Ellerth, on the North by Roy W. Turner and Kerry B. Canady, and on the East by Kerry B. Canady and Terry Preston. Beginning at a ½' rebar set in the East margin of State Highway 130 (30 feet from the center), said point being the Northwest corner of Patricia J. Ellerth (Deed Book 320, Page 284) and the Southwest corner of this tract, said point being the Northwest corner of Tract 6, James C. Burns, Jr., Property (Plat Book A, Page 278); THENCE with said margin, North 44° 27' 56" West, 274.08 feet to a 1" pipe found; thence with Roy W. Turner (Deed Book 220, Page 567) and Kerry B. Canady (Deed Book 320, Page 670), North 45° 25' 52" East, 446.09 feet to

NOTICE OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Note dated JANUARY 15, 2025, and the Deed of Trust of even date, securing said Note recorded JANUARY 27, 2025 in Book TD1142, at Page 188-206, as Document #25000603, in the Register's office for BEDFORD County, Tennessee, executed by JOSE TORRES, WHO ACQUIRED TITLE AS, JOSE TORRES, JR., AND AUTUMN TORRES, HUSBAND AND WIFE, conveying the certain property described therein to WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C., Trustee, for the benefit of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, its successors and assigns and to MARINOSCI LAW GROUP, P.C., having been appointed as Successor Trustee by instrument of record JUNE 26, 2026 in the Register's office for BEDFORD County, Tennessee in Book TD1197, at Page 157-160, as Document #26004680.

WHEREAS, the owner and holder of the Note has declared the entire indebtedness due and payable and demanded that the hereinafter described real property be advertised and sold in satisfaction of indebtedness and costs of foreclosure in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Note and Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that an agent of Marinosci Law Group, P.C., as Successor Trustee, pursuant to the power, duty and authority vested in and conferred upon said Successor Trustee, by the Deed of Trust, will on August 11, 2026 at 12:00 PM at the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160 offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, and free from all legal, equitable and statutory rights of redemption, exemptions of homestead, rights by virtue of marriage, and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which have been waived in the Deed of Trust, certain real property located in Bedford County, Tennessee, described as follows:

Located in the 25th Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, and more particularly described as follows: (115-014.10 Property I)

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 26, 2017, executed by KENDRICKS L. GRISSOM and KAMILAH GRISSOM conveying certain real property therein described to J.D. KIOUS, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee recorded May 30, 2017, in Book TD881, Page 245; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC who is now the owner of said debt; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on August 3, 2026 at or about 11:00 AM at the main entrance to the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Bedford County, Tennessee, to wit:

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE 7TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, BEING BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A STAKE LOCATED ON THE EAST MARGIN OF HOBSON AVENUE, THE SAME BEING 130 FEET SOUTH

Marinosci Law Group, P.C., as Successor Trustee, pursuant to the power, duty and authority vested in and conferred upon said Successor Trustee, by the Deed of Trust, will on August 18, 2026 at 11:00 AM at the main entrance of the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160 offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, and free from all legal, equitable and statutory rights of redemption, exemptions of homestead, rights by virtue of marriage, and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which have been waived in the Deed of Trust, certain real property located in Bedford County, Tennessee, described as follows:

Lot 12, Indian Creek Subdivision, Section I, as shown by plat of record in Plat Cabinet A, Envelope 243, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee.

More Commonly Known As: 114 CHEROKEE TRAIL, SHELBYVILLE, TN 37160

Said sale shall be held subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and subject to, but not limited to, the following

a ½" rebar found; thence with Kerry B. Canady (Deed Book 320, Page 670), South 44° 34' 53" East, 74.60 feet to a ½" rebar found; thence with Terry Preston (Deed Book 239, Page 783), South 44° 13' 07" East, 200.38 feet to a ½" rebar found; thence with Patricia J. Ellerth (Deed Book 320, Page 284), South 45° 32' 46" West, 445.38 feet to the beginning; containing 2.81 acres, more or less. The above description is taken from a survey plat dated February 23, 2016 by Stanley Todd Reese, Tennessee Registered Land Surveyor, Certificate number 2648, Reese Land Surveying, 112 East Commerce Street, Lewisburg, TN 37091.

TRACT NO. 2: Lying and being in the Twenty-third (23rd) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Being all of that property noted as "Parcel B" consisting of 1.33 acres, as shown on the plat of Terry L. Preston Additions, Final Plat, dated January 4, 2019, of record at Plat Cabinet J, Envelope 81, Register's Office, Bedford County, Tennessee.

Being the same property conveyed to James Chadwick Tucker, an unmarried man, by deed of record in Deed Book 387, page 722, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee.

THE PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1419 Hwy 130-E, Shelbyville, TN 37160

Parcel ID: Map 099; Parcel 017.00

This sale of the property will be without warranty of any kind and is further subject to subject to all unpaid taxes, parties in possession, any facts or claims which could be ascertained by an inspection of the above-described property and subject to the following documents/instruments of record in the Bedford County Register of Deeds:

1. All easements, restrictions and other matters noted on deed of record in Deed Book 387, page 722, Register's Office of Bedford

Beginning on a metal pin found in the easterly margin of Sarvis Ridge Road, same being the northwesterly corner of Ford (219/498) property and the southwesterly corner of the parcel being described herein, thence with said roadway margin North 28 degrees 07 minutes West 422.62 feet to a pipe found, thence leaving roadway with southerly boundary of Stephenson (167/470) North 45 degrees 09 minutes East 525.80 feet to a metal pin set in a drain, thence with severance line South 27 degrees 10 minutes East 539.02 feet to a metal pin set in said Ford's northerly boundary, thence with same South 57 degrees 50 minutes West 495.80 feet to the place of beginning and containing 5.50 acres according to survey made by R.M. Raper, Tennessee RLS No. 1063, 102 Meadowbrook Lane, Tullahoma, Tennessee, on January 4, 2006. (115-014.06 Property II)

Commencing on a metal pin found in the easterly margin of Sarvis Ridge Road, same being the northwesterly corner of Ford (219/498) property and the southwesterly corner of the Ronald King parent parcel, thence leaving roadway with said Ford's northerly boundary North 57 degrees 50 minutes East 495.80 feet to a metal pin set, the Point of Beginning and southwesterly corner of the parcel being described herein, thence with severance line North 27 degrees 10 minutes West 539.02 feet to a metal pin set in a drain, thence with Stephenson's (167/470) southerly boundary North 45 degrees 09 minutes East 662.40 feet to a metal pin, thence South 82 degrees 34 minutes East 100.00 feet to a metal pin, South 6 degrees 26 minutes West 426.55 feet to a metal pin, thence South 4 degrees 38 minutes West 217.38 feet to a metal pin, and South 9 degrees 30 minutes West 148.87 feet to a metal pin, thence with said Ford's northerly boundary South 57 degrees 50 minutes West 275.01 feet to the place of beginning and containing 7.00 acres according to survey made by R.M. Raper, Tennessee RLS No. 1063, 102 Meadowbrook Lane, Tullahoma, Tennessee, on January 4, 2006.

Being the same property as conveyed from Ronald L. King, an unmarried man to Jose Torres, Jr. and Autumn Torres, husband and wife as set forth in Deed Book D379 Page 109 dated 01/04/2023, recorded 01/09/2023, BEDFORD County, TENNESSEE.

OF THE INTERSECTION OF HOBSON AVENUE WITH MARTHA STREET AND RUNNING THENCE WITH THE EAST BOUNDARY OF HOBSON AVENUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 40 MINUTES WEST 75 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 84 DEGREES 33 MINUTES EAST 160 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 40 MINUTES EAST 75 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE NORTH 84 DEGREES 33 MINUTES WEST 160 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND BEING THE SOUTHERNMOST 10 FEET OF LOT 7, ALL OF LOT NOS. 8, 9 AND 10, AND THE SOUTHERNMOST 5 FEET OF LOT 11, IN BLOCK H OF THE J.E. THOMPSON SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF SHELBYVILLE, A PLAT OF WHICH IS OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 38, PAGE 15, REGISTER'S OFFICE, BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SUBJECT TO MATTERS ASSHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 38, PAGE 15, REGISTER'S OFFICE OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 089G E 015.00

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 304 HOBSON AVE, SHELBYVILLE, TN 37160. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): KENDRICKS L. GRISSOM, KAMILAH GRISSOM

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVLOPEMENT, HARPETH FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC DBA ADVANCE FINANCIAL, 3D FINANCIAL

The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be

parties who may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: R3 CONTRACTORS, LLC, TAMIA STANTON, OCCUPANTS/TENANTS OF 114 CHEROKEE TRL, SHELBYVILLE, TN 37160

To the best of the Successor Trustee's knowledge, information, and belief, there are no other Federal or State tax lien claimants or other claimants upon the subject property which would require notice pursuant to the terms and provision of T.C.A. § 35-5-104 or T.C.A. § 67-1-1433 or 26 U.S.C. § 7425.

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The Successor Trustee may postpone the above referenced sale from time to time as needed without further publication. The Successor Trustee will announce the postponement on the date and at the time and location of the originally scheduled sale.

This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be utilized for that purpose.

Marinosci Law Group, P.C., Successor Trustee
555 Perkins Extended, Suite 445

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County, Tennessee;

2. Right-of-way for State Highway 130.

along with any other applicable easements and restrictions, prior liens or mortgages, if any. Said sale shall also be subject to any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal, as well as any priority created by fixture filing; and subject to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. This communication comes from a debt collector.

If the highest bidder is unable to comply with the terms of the sale, I reserve the right to proceed to the next highest bidder able to comply or re-advertise, if I so choose. The terms and conditions of the sale are subject to any other announcements which may be made at the date of sale. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another date certain, without further publication, upon announcement at the time set above.

Proceeds of the sale shall be applied as provided for by the terms of the Deed of Trust. Said Deed of Trust is made a part hereof as if copied verbatim.

Third party internet posting website is: www.foreclosuretennessee.com

This notice will be published in the Shelbyville Times-Gazette three times on the following dates: July 9, 2026, July 16, 2026, and July 23, 2026.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2026.

JEREMY B. BELL, Substitute Trustee

For Donald Parker

More Commonly Known As: 85 SARVIS RIDGE RD, NORMANDY, TN 37360

Said sale shall be held subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and subject to, but not limited to, the following parties who may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: JOSE TORRES AKA JOSE TORRES, JR., AUTUMN TORRES, OCCUPANTS/TENANTS OF 85 SARVIS RIDGE RD, NORMANDY, TN 37360.

To the best of the Successor Trustee's knowledge, information, and belief, there are no other Federal or State tax lien claimants or other claimants upon the subject property which would require notice pursuant to the terms and provision of T.C.A. § 35-5-104 or T.C.A. § 67-1-1433 or 26 U.S.C. § 7425.

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applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. This sale is subject to purchaser's tendering to Rubin Lublin, LLC, anti-money laundering information as required pursuant to the FinCEN Real Estate Report Rule. Failure to provide information, could result in rescission of the sale. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100

Peachtree Corners, GA 30071

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The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. This sale is subject to purchaser's tendering to Rubin Lublin, LLC, anti-money laundering information as required pursuant to the FinCEN Real Estate Report Rule. Failure to provide information, could result in rescission of the sale. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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FIFA World Cup 2026 Takeaways From a Pair of Dramatic Knockout Rounds

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SHELBYVILLE Tenn. – Since the group stage of the World Cup came to an official close on June 27th, both the Round of 32 and Round of 16 came and went, whittling the 48-team competition down to just eight participants.

In the Round of 16, all three host nations exited stage left, starting with Canada’s 3-0 defeat to Morocco on Saturday. Mexico followed on Sunday night with one of the best games of the tournament at the Estadio Azteca in Mexico City as they were unable to find a late equalizer against 10-man England in a 3-2 loss. Finally, the United States were embarrassed by Belgium, 4-1, in Seattle on Monday night after some political controversy seemed to spur on the Belgians.

USMNT striker Flo Balogun received a controversial red card in the Round-of-32 win over Bosnia and Herzegovina, which typically prompts a one-game suspension. However, after Donald Trump reached out to the President of FIFA, Gianni Infantino, asking for a review of the red card. Controversially, FIFA suspended the red card suspension to a later date, sparking a response from the Belgium FA as well as cries of corruption from around the world.

Elsewhere, Argentina survived against both Cape Verde (3-2 AET), and then scoring three goals in 13 minutes to come from behind against Egypt, 3-2, in Atlanta thanks to Enzo Fernandez’s stoppage-time winner. Lionel Messi, who had been playing centrally for the first 75 minutes of the match and was unable to find space to create, moved out to the right wing. Messi turned back the clock to his days as a

winger, completing dribbles and passes not seen since the 2022 World Cup in Qatar.

Ultimately, the magic man delivered an assist to trim the Egyptian lead in half, 2-1, in the 79th minute, and then he scored the equalizer three minutes later to send the mass of Argentine supporters into a raucous frenzy. Messi now sits atop the Golden Boot standings with eight goals for the tournament, and he extends his World Cup career scoring record to 21 goals, two ahead of Kylian Mbappe. Argentina will take on Switzerland in Kansas City on Saturday evening.

Speaking of Mbappe, France blew out Sweden 3-0 in the first round before squeaking past a stingy Paraguay side, 1-0, to advance back to the Quarterfinals. France seem to be on a collision course with Spain in the semis, but first they must find a way past the current AFCON champions in Morocco.

This is a rematch of a semifinal in Qatar four years ago which France won 2-0, but neither goalscorer is in the French lineup in this tournament. Mbappe has scored three goals in the two knockout games to bring his tournament total to seven goals, and he is sitting on 19 career World Cup goals as well. France and Morocco kick off at 3:00 p.m. CT on Thursday in Foxborough.

After surviving the hallowed ground of the Azteca in perhaps the most electric match of the entire tournament from a crowd perspective on Sunday night, England now are set to take on Norway and Erling Haaland. Haaland is tied in second place with Mbappe at seven goals for the tournament after netting a brace in Norway’s 2-1 win over Brazil



Argentina toss Lionel Messi in the air to celebrate a dramatic comeback win over Egypt in the Round of 16. Photo by Getty Images.

on Saturday.

Remarkably, his counterpart up top for England, Harry Kane, has scored six goals at this year’s World Cup, bringing his total for the 2025/26 season to a whopping 73 goals. That number is the second-highest in one season this century, behind only Lionel Messi’s 82 goals in 2011/12.

The winner of England-Norway at 4:00 p.m. CT in Miami will take on the winner of Argentina-Switzerland, while the winner

of France-Morocco will take on either Spain or Belgium. Spain takes on the Belgians on Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. CT in Los Angeles. Those semifinals will take place next Tuesday and Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. CT in both Dallas and Atlanta, respectively.

At the moment, France definitely feel like the prohibitive favorites. However, they have not faced a team like Spain that can compete with them in midfield at this tournament. Spain’s midfield outlasted an

elite midfield from Portugal thanks to a winner in stoppage time to advance to the Quarterfinals.

Morocco will be no easy pushover, but if we do in fact get the Spain-France matchup most neutrals were expecting when the draw came out, everyone will be in for a treat.

On the other side of the bracket, England should be the favorites over Norway, but the Norwegians are a formidable side. They are well coached, they have

arguably the best striker in the world, and they have shown the grit required to advance far in this tournament. The game will not be easy for England, and the winner would likely get to face Lionel Messi and Argentina in the semifinal.

At this stage, only Switzerland and Belgium feel like sides that are a tier below the rest. The other six are strong contenders, and we shall see who advances to play at the World Cup Final in New Jersey on July 19th.

MTSU Football Bringing Back Seats for Soldiers in 2026

MT ATHLETICS

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – Middle Tennessee Athletics is proud to announce the return of its popular Seats for Soldiers initiative for the 2026 football season, providing Blue Raider fans with an opportunity to honor and thank U.S. Veterans, active-duty military members, and their families.

Through the program, fans can purchase and donate sideline reserved tickets for Middle Tennessee’s Salute to Veterans and Armed Forces Game against the Nevada Wolf Pack on Sept. 19. Tickets are available for just \$15 each (regularly \$28), and Middle Tennessee Athletics will match every donated ticket, doubling the impact for military guests.

All donated tickets will be distributed di-

rectly to veterans, active military personnel, and their families, allowing them to enjoy a special day at Floyd Stadium. As part of the Salute to Veterans and Armed Forces celebration, all military guests in attendance will be invited onto the field at halftime for a special recognition honoring their service and sacrifice.

Last year, Seats for Soldiers received tremendous support from Blue Raider fans, helping provide hundreds of tickets to military families. With strong ties to the military community throughout Middle Tennessee and across the state, MTSU Athletics hopes to build on that success in 2026.

As Americans continue to celebrate the 250th year of our country and reflect on the freedoms made possible by the men and women who

have served our nation, Middle Tennessee Athletics encourages Blue Raider fans to consider donating tickets and helping create a memorable experience for deserving military families.

Tickets purchased through the Seats for Soldiers initiative are available for \$15 with no additional fees, and every ticket purchased will be matched by MTSU Athletics.

Together, Blue Raider Nation can help ensure that our veterans, active military members, and their families are recognized and celebrated on Sept. 19 at Floyd Stadium.

Fans wishing to support the initiative can purchase tickets through the official Seats for Soldiers ticket link found in the online version of this story at t-g.com.

Blue Raiders to Take Part in Public CUSA Football Kickoff Event at Texas Live!

MT ATHLETICS

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – Middle Tennessee football will be represented at the 2026 Conference USA Football Kickoff on Monday, July 20, at Texas Live! in Arlington, Texas.

Head coach Derek Mason will be joined by quarterback Roman Gagliano and punter Ashton Logan as the Blue Raiders help preview the upcoming 2026 season during the league’s annual media event.

Blue Raider fans, alumni and supporters in the Dallas/Fort Worth area are invited to attend the Conference USA Football Kickoff Show, which will air live



Photo courtesy of MT Athletics.

on ESPN+ from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. CT. The Blue Raiders will be featured at Noon.

The event is free and open to the public, providing fans an opportunity to see CUSA coaches and student-athletes up close as excitement builds for the 2026 football season.

2026 Conference USA Football Kickoff
Date: Monday, July 20
Time: Noon CT
Location: Texas Live!, Arlington, Texas
Admission: Free and open to the public
Broadcast: Live on ESPN+

U.S. Men’s National Team Exits FIFA World Cup 2026 With 4-1 Round of 16 Loss to Belgium

US SOCCER

SEATTLE – Facing its toughest opponent of the tournament, the U.S. Men’s National Team could not quite re-create the magic from its previous group stage visit to Seattle and fell 4-1 in the Round of 16 at FIFA World Cup 2026 to a ninth-ranked Belgium side that is now unbeaten in its last 18 matches.

U.S. midfielder Malik Tillman scored his second goal on a direct free kick in as many matches to momentarily tie the game in the first half. The USA fought valiantly to try and overcome a two-goal deficit in the second half, but the tournament co-host’s earnest effort wasn’t enough to thwart the European power.

With the result, the USMNT’s run at FIFA World Cup 2026 on home soil comes to an end. The U.S. bow out of the competition having made program history – finishing atop Group D with wins over Paraguay and Australia, recording the first knockout stage victory since 2002 with the Round of 32 win over Bosnia and Herzegovina, and scoring the most goals in a single World Cup (11).

The U.S. also finish this year’s tournament having inspired a nation, including the 66,925 in attendance for today’s match at Seattle Stadium, a majority of whom donned Stars and Stripes. Head coach Mauricio Pochettino and the 26 players on his roster will go down in U.S. soccer history for the incredible support they generated in the first FIFA World Cup on home soil in 34 years.

Pochettino, who earned the most wins by a USMNT manager in FIFA World Cup history, did not make any changes to the starting XI that faced Bosnia-Herzegovina on July 1 at San Fran-

cisco Bay Area Stadium. That XI also started the group stage opener against Paraguay on June 12 in Los Angeles.

U.S. goalkeeper Matt Freese, earning his 19th cap, was called into action a mere 46 seconds into the match, making a tremendous diving save to block a shot on target from Belgium’s Timothy Castagne that was headed into the upper left corner. Freese then calmly collected a shot inside the box on the following corner kick for his second save in the opening two minutes.

Belgium’s aggressive start to the match continued and the Red Devils capitalized in the ninth minute when Charles de Ketelaere tapped in a cross from Nicolas Raskin to open the scoring on the day.

For the first time in the tournament, the U.S. was on the other side of a match’s opening goal. The Americans, determined to find the answer that would continue its World Cup scoring streak, possessed the ball more and more in its attacking third, and in the 31st minute, the U.S. scored the equalizer. Fresh off scoring his first FIFA World Cup goal in the Round of 32 against Bosnia and Herzegovina, Tillman found the back of the net once again from a set play.

Tillman’s goal tied the match and sent the passionate Seattle crowd into a frenzy, but the excitement was short-lived because two minutes later, Belgium pulled ahead on the second goal of the day from de Ketelaere, this time a header from close range.

Belgium would extend its lead to 3-1 following the halftime break following a costly goalkeeping error. Trying to clear a ball that dropped into no man’s land outside his own box, Freese couldn’t escape pressure from De



USA’s Malik Tillman (17) fires a free kick into the Belgium net for the only American goal of the night in Monday’s 4-1 defeat. Photo by Getty Images.

Ketelaere, who knocked the ball to Hans Vanaken who took advantage of an empty net from long range.

The USMNT showed a good effort to climb out of the two-goal deficit, including second-half substitute Sebastian Berhalter who nearly pulled one back with a wicked strike in the 79th minute that was reminiscent of his goal against Türkiye, but the shot pushed just wide of the frame. Striker Folarin Balogun followed it up with a good look in the 82nd minute, a firm shot that forced a save from Belgium goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois.

In the end, Belgium was the stronger side on the day, with an exclamation point from the country’s all-time leading goal scorer, Romelo Lukaku in second-half stoppage time and will advance to take on Spain in the Quarterfinals on Friday, July 10 in Los Angeles.

Goal Scoring Run-down:
BEL – CHARLES DE KETELAERE (Nicolas

Raskin), 9th minute: Working the ball from right to left in its attacking third, Leandro Trossard controlled a long switch near the end line. U.S. defender Alex Freeman blocked Trossard’s cross, then Nicolas Raskin collected the ball as it fell inside the USA penalty area and slipped toward the end line with his dribble. De Ketelaere beat the U.S. back line with a darting run and met the low cross into the six-yard box, finishing with a touch from close range. USA 0, BEL 1

USA – MALIK TILLMAN, 31st minute: Folarin Balogun drew a foul just beyond the top of the penalty arc to earn a free kick and the U.S. found the back of the net on its first shot of the match. Tillman’s right-footed strike caught a deflection off the head of a Belgian defender in the defensive wall that fooled goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois and spun into the center of the net to level the match. USA 1, BEL 1

BEL – CHARLES DE

KETELAERE (Leandro Trossard), 33rd minute: In a play that began similarly to the opening goal, Belgium worked the ball from the right to the left side of its attacking third. Trossard’s left-footed cross floated into the box and de Ketelaere rose over Tim Ream inside the six-yard box and drove a header into the upper right-side netting to secure his brace. USA 1, BEL 2

BEL – HANS VANAKEN (Charles de Ketelaere), 57th minute: A long ball got in behind USMNT’s backline, and Matt Freese left his line to gather the ball outside the penalty area. He did well to control the ball but couldn’t fire off a clearance quick enough to diffuse the pressure from de Ketelaere, who knocked the ball to Vanaken. Tim Ream tried to backtrack to halt Vanaken’s shot, but the ball bounced twice and into an empty net. USA 1, BEL 3

BEL – ROMELO LUKAKU (Hans Vanaken), 90+3rd minute: After

an attempted clearance ricocheted toward goal, two Belgian players double-teamed Chris Richards. The center back attempted escape, but Maxim De Cuyper made the interception, which knocked straight into the path of Lukaku. The efficient striker did the rest to roll a right-footed strike from the left side of the box into the lower right corner of the net. USA 1, BEL 4 FINAL

Additional Notes:
The U.S. has now scored in its last seven FIFA World Cup games. Malik Tillman is the second player on record (since 1966) to score two direct free kicks in a single FIFA World Cup after France’s Bernard Genghini accomplished the feat in 1982.

Tillman becomes the first USMNT player to score in consecutive World Cup knockout stage matches.

Mauricio Pochettino concludes the tournament with the most wins all-time at the FIFA World Cup for a USMNT manager.

MTSU Softball’s Breeden tabs Estelle Czech as Assistant Coach

MT ATHLETICS

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – Head Coach Jeff Breeden has named Estelle Czech as the next Assistant Coach of Middle Tennessee Softball.

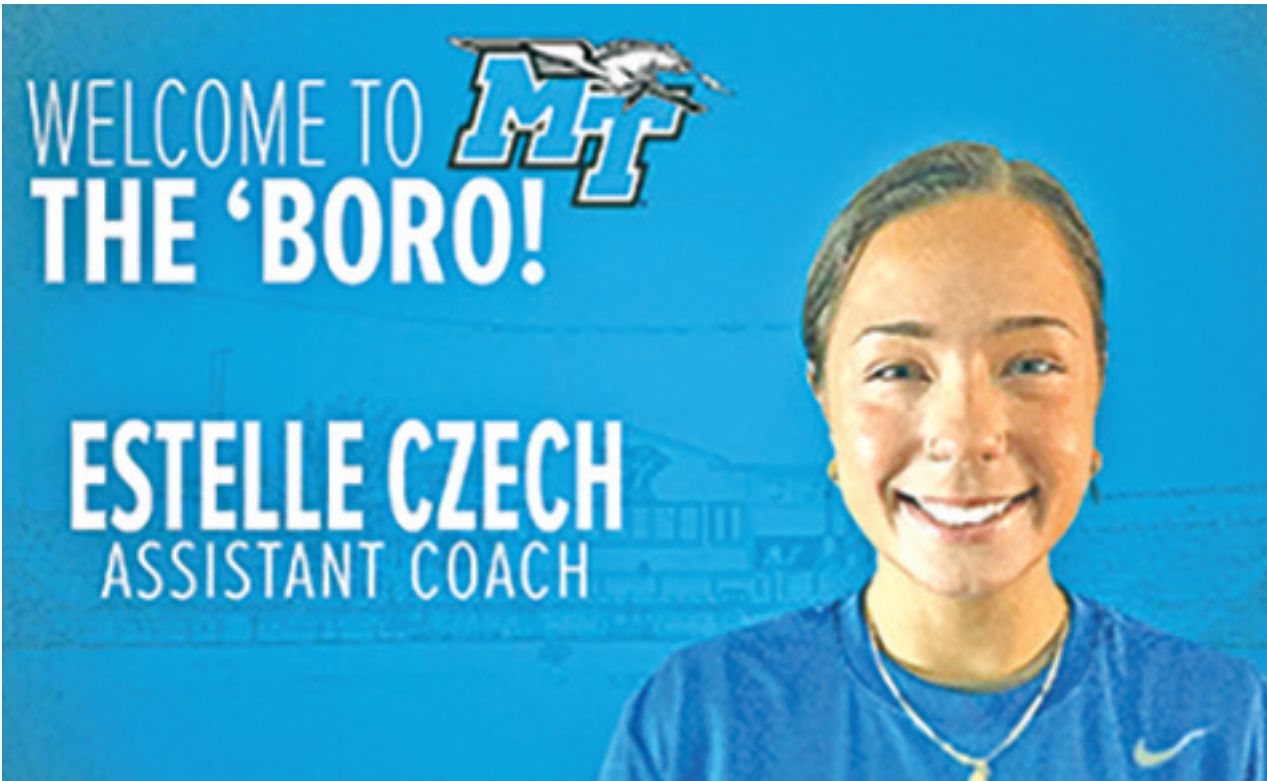
“I am extremely happy to announce the hiring of Estelle Czech as our new pitching coach,” stated Breeden. “She is bringing a championship mindset and Texas Longhorn winning culture to the ‘Boro. She has pitched and won at the highest levels of our sport. I look forward to watching her interact with our young staff and seeing her pitchers improve.”

Last season, Czech served as an assistant coach at Staley High School in addition to leading pitching lessons over the past seven

years.

Prior to joining Staley High School, Czech had a prolific career as a player. Most recently, Czech competed with Florida Vibe Professional Softball during the summer of 2025 and with Atlanta Smoke Professional Softball during the summer of 2024.

Before she competed professionally, Czech was a pitcher at the University of Texas Austin. During her time at Texas, she was named both Big 12 Pitcher of the Week and NFCA D1 Pitcher of the Week during the 2024 season. Czech also has experience pitching in the NCAA Women’s College World Series, where she was named to the All-Tournament Team during the 2022 season. Czech spent a season at North Carolina



State University preceding her time at Texas.

“This hire is a home run for our program,”

said Breeden. “Welcome Estelle to the ‘Boro!”

Czech earned her bachelor’s degree from

the University of Texas, studying Kinesiology

and Health.

Photo courtesy of MT Athletics.

AD VERITAS
After the Fireworks



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The fireworks have faded. The flags are being packed away. The red, white and blue decorations are coming down. The grills have cooled. Families have returned from their holiday trips, and most of us are settling back into the ordinary routines of life. America's 250th birthday celebration, at least the July 4 portion of it, has come and gone. And now comes the more important question: What do we do with it? It is good to celebrate. I enjoyed seeing

the flags, hearing patriotic music, watching fireworks and spending time with family. There is something healthy about a nation pausing to remember its beginning. There is something especially meaningful about children growing up with memories of parades, fireworks and Independence Day gatherings. But a birthday celebration should do more than make us feel nostalgic. Especially a 250th birthday. It should make us thoughtful. The men and women of the founding generation did not know how the story would turn out. They did not know whether the Revolution would succeed. They did not know whether the country they were trying to build would survive its first years, much

less 250 of them. The Declaration of Independence was not a decoration. It was not a ceremonial document. It was a line crossed. It was a public statement of principle made at tremendous personal risk. The fireworks we enjoy today are possible because previous generations endured uncertainty, sacrifice and hardship. That is worth celebrating. But it is also worth continuing. America was not finished in 1776. It was not finished when the Revolution ended. It was not finished when the Constitution was ratified. It has never been finished. Every generation receives the country from those who came before and then decides, by its actions, whether to strengthen it or weaken it.

That responsibility now belongs to us. It is easy to think of patriotism only in national terms — presidents, Congress, wars, elections and Supreme Court decisions. Those things matter, of course. But citizenship is also local. Maybe it is mostly local. It is found in whether we know what is happening in our own communities. It is found in whether we vote in local elections, attend meetings, support local schools, encourage good leadership and hold public officials accountable. It is found in whether we teach our children the history of this country honestly and appreciatively — not pretending America has been perfect, but also not forgetting how rare and precious liberty is. It is found in whether

we support local businesses, check on neighbors, serve in churches and civic groups, volunteer where we can and try to leave our towns better than we found them. A republic cannot run on fireworks. It requires memory. It requires virtue. It requires responsibility. It requires people who are willing to do the small, ordinary things that hold a community together. That may not sound as exciting as a grand national celebration, but it is where the real work happens. The founders gave us principles. Later generations defended them, expanded them, argued over them and sometimes failed to live up to them. Our task is not simply to admire the past. It is to carry forward what is best in it. That starts at home. It starts around the dinner table when children ask what Inde-

pendence Day means. It starts when we take them to a parade, a courthouse, a veterans memorial or a local government meeting. It starts when they see adults treating citizenship as something more than complaining about politics on social media. The 250th anniversary should remind us that America is not merely something we inherited. It is something we are responsible for. So yes, I hope everyone enjoyed the fireworks. I hope families made memories. I hope children looked up at the sky with wonder as the colors burst overhead. But now that the smoke has cleared, the real question remains. What kind of country will we hand to the next generation? The fireworks were a celebration of what was given to us. What comes next is the work of proving we are worthy of it.

Bedford County's Steven Flippo publishes first inspirational book

By Dawn Hankins
Steven Flippo of Shelbyville has been a traveling gospel singer and missionary for Christ, a realtor, local business owner and dedicated family man. Now, he can add published author to his resume. The Bedford County

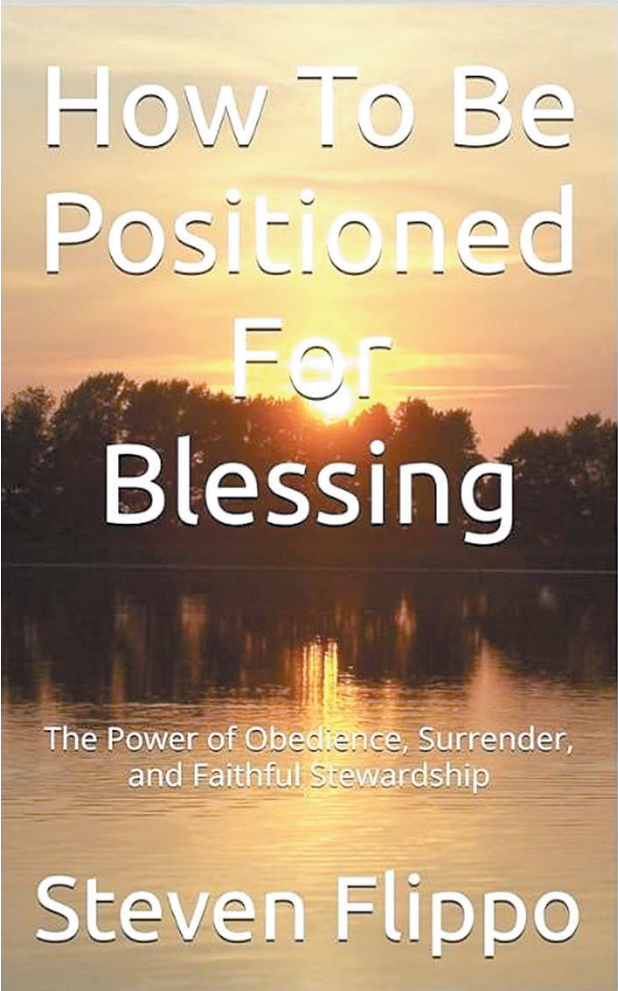
native and graduate of Victory Baptist Academy, has recently published "How to Be Positioned for Blessings." The short but impactful Christian book focuses on aligning one's life with God's will so that blessings—beyond material provision—can fill one's life.

In *Positioned for Blessings*, the author shares Biblical truth woven with powerful personal testimony—from missions in Ukraine to lessons learned through divorce, remarriage, ministry, and decades of trusting God with marriage and finances. Here's what the au-

thor has to say about his book. *In a land of abundance, it's easy to mistake comfort for blessing. We live surrounded by opportunity, provision, and convenience—yet so many believers feel anxious, dissatisfied, and spiritually dry. If blessing is simply having "enough," why do so many who have so much still feel empty?*

In "Positioned for Blessings," the author invites you on a deeply personal and biblical journey to rediscover what it truly means to live under the favor of God. Drawing from powerful experiences in America and war-torn Ukraine, hard lessons from divorce and restoration, decades of marriage, ministry, and faithful giving, he reveals a life-changing truth:

- Blessings don't just happen—we position ourselves to receive them through obedience. With honesty and humility, this book explores:*
- Putting God first in every area of life
 - Strengthening marriage through biblical love and respect
 - Guarding purity and protecting the home
 - Trusting God with



finances and embracing joyful generosity

- Letting go of control and learning true surrender
- Experiencing the peace and joy that flow from abiding in Christ

This is not a prosperity formula. It is a call to alignment. A call to obedience. A call to trust.

Through Scripture, testimony, and practical application, you will discover how faithfulness, surrender, and stewardship open the door to a deeper experience of God's grace.

When we stop striving to secure blessings in our own strength and begin trusting the One who gives every good gift, we find something greater than comfort—we find His presence.

If you long to see God work more powerfully in your marriage, your finances, your faith, and your daily walk, this book will challenge and encourage you to take the next step.

Are you in the position God wants you to be in?

The life of blessing begins with obedience.



MEEMAW TAKES ON THE ZIP LINE

Submitted by Courtney McReynolds Clardy
Former Bedford County educator, principal and "MeeMaw" Sally McReynolds, doesn't scare easily. Perhaps it's being an educator all those years. Her family was proud of her the day she successfully zipped across this pond. Did we mention that "Sally Mac," as she's affectionately known, is now 90?

Divorce cases granted in Bedford County Chancery Court June 2026

- Delani Bell Burnett vs Weston Franklin Burnett
Michele Christiane Collins vs Shawn Cory Seeback
Dena E Daviega-Jacinto vs Joseph Richard Jacinto
Kaitland Nicole Foland vs Dylan Shane Foland
Jennifer Lee Goff vs Gregory Lee Goff
Parker Blaine Gunn vs Kylie Renea Gunn
Regan Maris Kounlavong vs Thongphoun Alec Kounlavong
Joe Henry Ladd III vs Christina Diane Ladd
Natalie Anne LeGate vs Justin Michael LeGate
Terrance Dero y Mathis vs Felicia Mathis
Tiffany Leigh McAdams vs Thomas Brittain McAdams
Ashley Nicole Mills vs Billy Travis Mills
Lisa Rene'e Neff vs Zachary Allen Neff
Joseph Todd Neill vs Karen Leigh Neill
Karen Noel vs Reginald Wayne Noel
Dustin Hunter Perryman vs Alissa R Perryman
Kelsey Louise Smith vs Andrew Dale Smith
Emily Lynn Speegle vs Justin Lee Blanton
Amber Denise Telin vs Humphrey Telin
Colton Tyler Weaver vs Elizabeth Nicole Weaver
Kenneth Leon Woods vs Debra Woods

OFFICIAL BALLOT
STATE OF TENNESSEE
BEDFORD COUNTY
AUGUST 6, 2026

UNITED STATES SENATE
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STATE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

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GOVERNOR
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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
DISTRICT 9
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CHARLOTTE BERGMANN

MARSHA BLACKBURN

BRENT TAYLOR

MONTY FRITTS

JEREMY THOMPSON

JOHN ROSE

TODD WARNER

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STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN
DISTRICT 14
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PAT MARSH

AUSTIN MAXWELL

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LYNNE (GENTRY) DAVIS

JOANNE THOMPSON SKIDMORE

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BEDFORD COUNTY
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STATE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

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CYNTHIA A. CREGIER

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STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN
DISTRICT 14
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M. LATROY A-WILLIAMS

MATT FERRY

LONDON LAMAR

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JUSTIN J. PEARSON

JIM TORINO

WRITE-IN

TENNESSEE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
DISTRICT 62
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OFFICIAL BALLOT
STATE AND COUNTY
GENERAL ELECTION
BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE
AUGUST 6, 2026

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DISTRICT 1
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JARED FEATHERSTONE
Republican Party Nominee

ERIC MADDOX
Republican Party Nominee

ANDREW MCREYNOLDS
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY MAYOR
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CHAD FLETCHER
Republican Party Nominee

CURT COBB
Independent Candidate

JORDAN MALONE
Independent Candidate

MISTY PELLAR
Independent Candidate

TROY K. THOMPSON
Independent Candidate

ADAM VANDERKIN
Independent Candidate

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 2
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BEN CHAPMAN
Independent Candidate

BOB DAVIS
Independent Candidate

MICHAEL GREGORY
Independent Candidate

ROY TURNER
Independent Candidate

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DISTRICT 3
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 4
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PATRICK CORENO
Democratic Party Nominee

JEROMY L. HENDERSON
Independent Candidate

ALEX MITCHELL
Independent Candidate

JOEL PINA
Independent Candidate

JASON P. SANDERS
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

ANITA MURRAY EPPERSON
Independent Candidate

MATTHEW GRAGG
Independent Candidate

DIANE NEELEY
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 5
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BRENT E SMITH
Republican Party Nominee

BRIAN K. BRUCE
Independent Candidate

BO GILL
Independent Candidate

LINDA BOMAR YOCKEY
Independent Candidate

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 8
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BILL ANDERSON
Independent Candidate

DAVID DEASON
Independent Candidate

JENNIFER TEMPLETON
Independent Candidate

ADAM THOMAS
Independent Candidate

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JOHN BOUTWELL
Republican Party Nominee

JASON K. BOYETTE
Republican Party Nominee

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 9
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P.T. BIFF FARRAR
Independent Candidate

MARK THOMAS
Independent Candidate

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 7
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BRIAN BRENTON
Independent Candidate

KEITH DAVIS
Independent Candidate

SYLVIA PINSON
Independent Candidate

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ASSESSOR OF PROPERTY
Unexpired Term
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CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
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EMILY REDD HODGES
Republican Party Nominee

CHARLES DABELGOTT
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

COUNTY CLERK
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DONNA THOMAS
Independent Candidate

WENDY WILLIAMS
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

REGISTER OF DEEDS
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JOHNNY REED
Democratic Party Nominee

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SHERIFF
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NIKIA ELLIOTT
Republican Party Nominee

JOHN DALE SWEENEY
Independent Candidate

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SCHOOL BOARD
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BRIAN CREWS
Independent Candidate

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DAN REED
Independent Candidate

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SCHOOL BOARD
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LANA R. CRAIG
Independent Candidate

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TOWN OF BELL BUCKLE

MAYOR
BELL BUCKLE
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RONNIE W. LOKEY
Independent Candidate

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ALDERMAN
BELL BUCKLE
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BRIANNA L. AKERS
Independent Candidate

JASON HATCHETT
Independent Candidate

ANNIE ROONEY
Independent Candidate

DAVID B. VANNATTA
Independent Candidate

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JUDICIAL RETENTION QUESTIONS

Supreme Court
At Large
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Shall Kyle A. Hixson be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

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Supreme Court
At Large
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Shall Mary L. Wagner be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

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Court of Appeals
Eastern Division
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Shall William E. Phillips II be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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Court of Appeals
Western Division
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Shall Steve Maroney be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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Court of Appeals
Western Division
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Shall Valerie L. Smith be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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Court of Criminal Appeals
Eastern Division
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Shall Steven W. Sword be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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Court of Criminal Appeals
Eastern Division
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Shall Stacy L. Street be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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ABSENTEE VOTING BY MAIL

In order to vote absentee by mail, a voter must meet certain legal qualifications. A voter desiring to vote absentee by mail, shall in writing over his signature either in person at the election commission office or by mail, request an application for an absentee ballot. Such request for an application may be received no earlier than the 90th day prior to the election and must be received no later than July 27th, 2026. The request can serve as an application for ballot if it contains the following: name of the registered voter, address of the voter’s residence, voter’s social security number, voter’s date of birth, address to mail the ballot to, the election/s the voter wishes to vote in include the political party if the election is a primary, the reason the voter wishes to vote absentee (if applicable, a copy of the CDL containing the CDL number or the TWIC card must be included, and the voter’s signature.

REASONS TO VOTE ABSENTEE (BY MAIL)

- I am 60 years of age or older.
- I will be outside the county during all hours of early voting and
- I am hospitalized, ill or physically disabled and unable to appear at my polling place.
- I am a caretaker of a hospitalized, ill or physically disabled person.
- I am a full-time student or spouse of a full-time student outside my county
- I reside in a licensed facility, outside my county, providing relatively permanent domiciliary care (i.e. nursing home)
- I am a candidate for office in the election
- I am observing a religious holiday that prevents me from voting during early voting or on election day
- I will be serving as an election official or a member or employee of the election commission on election day
- I will be serving on jury duty
- I am a voter with a disability and an inaccessible polling place
- I have a CDL or TWIC or I am a spouse of a person with a CDL or TWIC and will be out of the county during early voting and Election Day and have no out of the county address to receive mail during this time. Enclosed is a copy of the CDL or TWIC and the number is _____

BEDFORD COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
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STATE PRIMARY, COUNTY GENERAL, AND BELL BUCKLE MUNICIPAL
AUGUST 6, 2026



Early Voting Schedule
July 17, 2026 – August 1, 2026

Jul 17,	Fri	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 18,	Sat	.....	8:00a - 12:00p
Jul 20,	Mon	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 21,	Tue	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 22,	Wed	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 23,	Thur	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 24,	Fri	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 25,	Sat	.....	8:00a - 12:00p
Jul 27,	Mon	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 28,	Tue	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 29,	Wed	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 30,	Thur	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Jul 31,	Fri	.....	8:00a - 5:00p
Aug 1,	Sat	.....	8:00a - 12:00p

Federal or Tennessee state government issued photo ID is required to vote, unless an exception applies. To learn more about the law and its exceptions, please call 931-684-0531 or visit GoVoteTN.gov

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