

Obituaries

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Searcy; brothers, Jimmy Reese, Carl Cates, California. Memorial Service Henderson Cemetery, Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2 p.m. Family Funeral Service www.dwrightfamilyfuneral.com.

PINE BLUFF — Pauline Trucks Camper of Pine Bluff, Ark., passed away Friday, Jan. 4, 2013, at Jefferson Regional Medical Center. She was born July 9, 1923, in Cleveland County to Garvin B. and Ruth Glover Bryant Trucks. She was reared and educated in Pine Bluff, graduating from Pine Bluff High School in 1941. Mrs. Camper was a retired district staff assistant and group manager for Illinois Bell Telephone Company for 36 years in Champaign and Springfield, Ill., before returning to Pine Bluff in 1984. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Pine Bluff, life member of Lucky Chapter 150 order of the Eastern Star of Rantoul, Ill., and the Telephone Pioneers of America. She was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Raymond E. Camper, whom she married on April 14, 1946, in Pine Bluff; her parents; her step-father, Edward M. Bryant; sisters, Jeanette Long, Mildred DeJarnette Womble, a brother, James Bryant; and a grandson, Ryan D. Clark. Survivors include her daughters, Linda Clark (Robert) of Monroe, La., Paula Webb (Tommy) of Pine Bluff; her companion of 18 years, Jerry Fritz of Springfield, Ill.; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and a sister, Maxine Monteith of Pine Bluff. Visitation will be Sunday 2 to 4 p.m. at Robinson's. Service will be 1 p.m., Monday, Jan. 7, 2013, Chapel of Ralph Robinson & Son with Reverend David Fleming officiating. Burial will follow in Graceland Cemetery. Online register at www.ralphrobinsonandson.com.



PLUMERVILLE — Kathryn Lee Baldus Mourot, age 70, of Plumerville, passed away, Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013. She was born Dec. 3, 1942, a daughter of Edward and Barbara Baldus. She graduated from Sacred Heart High School and Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo. She was a biology teacher and basketball coach and taught over 25 years at Sacred Heart, Morrilton; Mount St. Mary Academy, Little Rock; St. Joseph, Conway, and delivered school buses for Arkansas Delivery Service. Kathryn was also known to those who loved her as "Gal," "Cheena" and "Coach". She was a wise, loving, determined woman who lived life "her way." We love you Gal, "Oh Wow!" Survivors include her daughters, Angela Lee (Mike) Koone and Kathleen Oliver of Morrilton; grandchildren, Heather (Brandon) Zinser, Emily Roberson, Katie Roberson, Daniel Oliver and Rylee Oliver, all of Morrilton; sister, Angela (Gary) Bartlett; and best friend, Kathleen Smith. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 7, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Charles Thessing and Rev. Jack Harris officiating. Burial will be at Plumerville Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Rosary will be 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6, at Sacred Heart Church. Pallbearers will be Gary Bartlett, Matt Bartlett, Gunnar Bartlett, Joe Mallett, Greg Munnor and Brandon Zinser. Honorary pallbearers will be Bob Bradford, Danny Mourot, Vonnie Taylor, Michael Koone, M.D., Daniel Oliver and Bryan Bartlett. Her daughters and grandchildren would like to give a special thank you to the following "angels" who took care of our mom during her courageous battle with cancer: Kathleen Smith, Angela Bartlett, Michael Koone, M.D., Janet Hall, Karen Cree and all the staff at the

office of Larry Mendelsohn, M.D. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent to Sacred Heart Endowment Fund. Online guestbook: www.harrisfuneralhomes.net.

RUSSELL — Don Radford Evans, 73, of Russell, died Friday, Jan. 4, 2013, in Little Rock. He was born Dec. 27, 1939, in Judsonia a son of the late Kenneth King Evans and Thelma Jones Evans. Don was a Baptist and retired from the Sperry-Vickers Corporation after 35 years of service. He loved hunting as well as his motorcycle and his "critters," and could fix anything that needed fixing. He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Sam Jeanette Evans; son, Mitch Evans; daughter, Annette Woodson; sister, Carlene Martelli; grandchildren, Kelly Evans, Justin Evans (Miranda), Amber Evans, Ashley Evans, Jenny Evans, Amanda Stanley and Brandy Mosier; six great-grandchildren and one on the way; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, James L. Williams (Barbara) and Kieth Williams (Kathy). He was preceded in death by his parents and mother and father-in-law, Otis and Irene Williams. Visitation will be Sunday from 4-6 p.m. Funeral services will be Monday, Jan. 7, 2013, at 10 a.m. at the Powell Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in the Carter Cemetery by Powell Funeral Home, Bald Knob-Judsonia. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Toys for Tots Foundation, toysfortots.org. Online condolences can be left at www.powellfuneralhome.net.



SEARCY — Dwane Franklin Treat, 80, of Searcy, died peacefully Friday night with family at his side. He was born to the late George and Zella Treat, Nov. 28, 1932, in Spring Valley, Ark. Dwane married Robbie Parish Treat in 1954. Together they lived and served for 58 years in Searcy, Ark. Despite his formal education being limited to just the fourth grade, Dwane became an accomplished 58-year veteran of the automobile business. As an active Master Mason of Searcy Lodge 49, he was a much-loved Demolay Dad, Rainbow Dad, and past Worthy Patron of the Order of Eastern Star. For the past 18 years Dwane served as head of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in Arkansas. As an active member of the Supreme Council in Washington, D.C. he contributed to governing the international benevolent work of Freemasonry. During his tenure, the Scottish Rite established several speech and hearing language clinics across Arkansas. Through this charitable work, children who might have remained educationally behind for a lifetime can now speak and write effectively. As a committed advocate of his community, Dwane served as past president of the Searcy Chamber of Commerce. He was also a charter member of the Searcy Optimist Club. As a member of the White County Quorum Court, the Searcy Water Board, and the Searcy Airport Commission Dwane was a faithful public servant. Dwane is survived by his wife Robbie Treat of Searcy; one child, Sherry Treat Gentry of Searcy; two grandchildren, Gabe Gentry of Little Rock and Gavin Gentry of Searcy; and two great-grandchildren, Talyn Brant Gentry and Aryn Bristol Gentry. He is also survived by three brothers, Bill Treat and Daryl Treat of Searcy and Cleve Treat of Pangburn, and one sister, Fern Pledger of Searcy. He was preceded in death by his parents, seven brothers, and one sister. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made out to the Arkansas Scottish Rite Foundation. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Monday at Powell Funeral Home.



Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Downtown Church of Christ in Searcy, Ark. Arrangements by Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. www.powellfuneralhome.net.

STAR CITY — Elizabeth Couch Barthelet, 98, died Saturday. Survivors include daughter, Paula Barthelet, of Star City and son, Rowland Barthelet, of Pine Bluff; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral: 1 p.m., Tuesday, Lakeside United Methodist Church, Pine Bluff by Ralph Robinson & Son Funeral Directors. Visitation: 12-1 p.m. at Lakeside. www.ralphrobinsonandson.com.

WILMOT — Eloise Mayo Johnson, 85, Wilmot, AR, died Jan. 4, 2013. Funeral will be 2 p.m., Monday, Jan. 7, 2013, at Jones Funeral Home Chapel. Interment at Pine-wood Memorial Park under the direction of Jones Funeral Home of Crossett, AR. (www.joneservice.com).

Visitation Sunday from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

WYNNE — Norman Paul McCarty, 86, died Thursday. Survivors include his wife, Opal; two daughters; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services at 10 a.m. Monday, at Thompson-Wilson Funeral Home, Wynne. Interment following at Smith Cemetery in Bradford. Visitation, Sunday, 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. 870-238-9400. www.thompsonwilsonfh.com.

WYNNE — Ronald Tackett died Thursday. He was preceded by parents, brothers, and sisters. Survivors include one brother and other family members. Visitation is 1 p.m. Sunday followed by services at 2 p.m. at Thompson-Wilson.

Interment will follow in Halk Cemetery. Send memorials to Cross County Special Workshop. 870-238-9400. www.thompsonwilsonfh.com.

Out-of-state

GULF SHORES, Ala. — Robert Carl Wells Jr., 75, of Gulf Shores, Ala., died on Monday, Dec. 31, 2012, following a battle with Parkinson's disease. Born in Wilmot, Ark., on March 25, 1937, to Minnie Belle and Robert Carl Wells Sr., Carl spent most of his life in Wilmot, Ark.



He was a graduate of Wilmot High School where was an award-winning basketball player. He graduated from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, where he became a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity. Carl was very successful in farming and in the cotton ginning industry and his family was selected as one of Ashley County's Farm Family of the Year. He was active in the Tennessee Walking Horse industry, owning horses for both pleasure and show. He also enjoyed piloting his own plane.

Following retirement, Carl moved to Gulf Shores, Ala., and enjoyed golfing and spending time with friends, both old and new. He was a huge fan of Razorback football and basketball.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Minnie Belle Fikes Wells, father, Robert Carl Wells Sr., and sister, Carolyn Wells Ainsworth. He is survived by wife, Nancy Tatam Wells, son, Robert Carl Wells III of Little Rock, Ark.; daughter, Nancy Anne Branton and Suzi Altman of Brandon, Miss.; daughter, Holly Branton Horncastle and Court Horncastle of West Monroe, La.; grandson, David Walker King of West Monroe, and numerous nieces and nephews. Carl was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 12, 2013, at the Wilmot Cemetery with Rev. John Embrey officiating. Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, P.O. 38148, or to Covenant Hospice, 1040 Stanton Road, Suite D., Daphne, Ala. 36526.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jones-Hartshorn Funeral Home of Hamburg. Online guest book at www.jones-hartshorn.com.

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Joyce Credit Smith, 64, of Kansas, departed this life Jan. 1, 2013. Formerly of Mayflower, Ark. Survivors, husband

Leroy Smith; three daughters; five brothers. Family visitation 9 a.m., Monday, 1/7/13, Palarm Chapel Baptist Church, Mayflower.

Graveside service 10 a.m. Palarm Cemetery. Services entrusted to Larry G. Acklin Funeral Home, Conway. 327-1124 www.larrygacklinfuneralhomes.com.

GRENADA, Miss. — Martha Jane King, 86, of Grenada, Miss., born July 17, 1926, in Carroll County, Miss., to parents, David and Margaret Etta Costilow Little, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2013. She was of Church of Christ Faith.

She will be remembered for her giving nature and genuine compassion. She was loved by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands, Melvin Lloyd King and Theo Bill Wright; her son, Robert A. King; and her brothers, Leslie Little, Bobby Little, and Tillman Little.

Martha is survived by her daughter, Kathy King Temple of Sherwood, Ark., and her grandchildren, Tiffany McDonald of Cleburne, Texas, Jeremy McDonald of Lago Vista, Texas, Corby King of Florida, and Josh King of Oxford, Miss. She is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn King of Florida and Alexis and Brandon King of Oxford, Miss., and her sister, Burtine Little of Grenada, Miss.

A celebration of life services will be held for family and friends in her honor at a later date and time. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Heart Association/Alzheimers. To sign her guestbook, please visit www.arkansasfuneralcare.com. Arrangements made by Arkansas Funeral Care, Jacksonville.

OXFORD, Miss. — Aaron Storer Condon, age 85, of Oxford, Miss., died on Jan. 1, 2013, following complications resulting from injuries suffered in a car accident on Dec. 29, 2012.

Born in Kosciusko, Miss., on April 23, 1927, he attended the University of Alabama where he was Phi Beta Kappa. He received his law degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law. He was an officer in the U.S. Army, serving in World War II and the Korean War. He continued serving in the Army's Judge Advocate General Corps as a reserve officer, retiring after having reached the rank of Colonel. In the early 1960s he practiced law in Kosciusko, serving as Attala County Attorney.

He also was active in the civil-rights movement, working to advance the cause of integration. In 1966 he began a long-term teaching career at the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he was feared and revered by hundreds of law students over the years.

He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Lillene Williams Condon of Oxford; daughter Carol Epes of Jensen Beach, Fla.; daughter and son-in-law Catherine and Ron Hughes and granddaughters Alexis and Haley Hughes, all of Little Rock, Ark.; his beloved canine companion Lili; and friends and relations too numerous to count.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 4, at the Oxford-University United Methodist Church in Oxford, followed by a reception at the church. Interment will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 7, in the Columbarium of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Little Rock. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the Friends of the Library, P.O. Box 249, University, Miss. 38677; The Oxford Lafayette Humane Society, 413 McElroy Drive, Oxford, Miss. 38655; Arkansas Repertory Theatre, 601 S Main St., Little Rock, Ark. 72201, or the charity of your choice.

The family wishes to express its gratitude for the outpouring of love and support that has been showered upon them since the date of the accident.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ruebel Funeral Home, www.ruebelfuneralhome.com.

OUR TOWN

North Little Rock notebook

JAKE SANDLIN
ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE

Ex-FEMA director to speak Feb. 19

James Lee Witt, former director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, will be the featured speaker for the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet Feb. 19 at Verizon Arena in North Little Rock, chamber officials announced.

Tickets for the event are \$60 per person or \$600 for a table of 10. A cocktail reception will precede the 6:45 p.m. dinner. Ticket or sponsorship information is available from the chamber at (501) 372-5959.

Witt, a Paris (Logan County) native who grew up in Dardanelle (Yell County), is executive chairman of the board of Witt O'Brien, a newly formed crisis and disaster response and recovery firm. The company formed from two firms — Witt Associates and O'Brien's Response Management — at the end of December.

President Bill Clinton appointed Witt as FEMA director in 1993, then elevated the director's position to Cabinet-level status three years later. Witt served until 2001, overseeing federal responses to more than 350 disasters, including floods, hurricanes and earthquakes.

Chamber awards will be presented to the Wyndham Riverfront hotel as 2012 Business of the Year and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arkansas as the 2012 Non-Profit Partner of the Year, according to a news release from the chamber.

UA professor wins a \$10,000 grant

David McCombs, director of the creative-writing program at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, is the 2013 recipient of the \$10,000 Laman Library Writers Fellowship, it was announced last week.

McCombs, whose work has appeared in several publications, is the author of *Ultima Thule*, which was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award in 1999.

Laman Library established the Writers Fellowship in 2010 to assist Arkansas authors in the writing and publishing process. Previous fellows were Grif Stockley, Kevin Brockmeier and Mara Leveritt.

Recipients are selected by a group of literary professionals independent of the library system. The grants are used to encourage the creation of literature by Arkansans and for Arkansans, according to the announcement. The grant is paid in consecutive monthly installments.

Hays center plans anniversary event

Demonstrations of classes and activities offered to the public will highlight an observance of the Patrick Hays Senior Citizens Center's 10th anniversary, scheduled from 1-3 p.m. Feb. 3 at the center, 401 W. Pershing Blvd., in North Little Rock.

Visitors will have an opportunity to observe demonstrations by center members and volunteers of activities such as line dancing, quilting and chair volleyball.

All ages are invited to the open house. Memberships are available to those who are 50 years and older.

More information is available from the Hays Center by telephone at (501) 975-4297 or e-mail at HaysCenter@northlittlerock.ar.gov.

Open house set to meet new mayor

An open house for the public to meet new Mayor Joe Smith will be 2-4 p.m. today at North Little Rock City Hall, Main Street and Broadway.

The open house is free and all residents are invited. Light refreshments will be served.

Smith, elected in a runoff Nov. 27 after the Nov. 6 general election, took office Jan. 1.

Comcast

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in areas without services and to check the network for any unknown damage, Halprin said. The largest areas have mostly been repaired, so crews focused on sections of the "greater Little Rock area," including North Little Rock and Jacksonville, she said.

The cable-service provider, which has operated in Little Rock under an exclusive franchise agreement since 1995, has played second fiddle to the energy companies after the Christmas night storms knocked out power to tens of thousands of customers, Little Rock Mayor Mark

Stodola said.

Comcast used generators when the power was out, but as the commercial power lines continued to have problems, so did Comcast.

Comcast runs a lot of their lines on Entergy utility poles, so the cable provider had to wait for Entergy crews to finish their repair work, Stodola said.

The high winds, snow and ice caused "more extensive damage" to poles and lines that take a longer time to repair, Halprin said.

"The bulk of the work is really repairing the network," she said.

Once power is restored to an area, Halprin said rebooting the cable equipment could

solve some customers' problems. Customers who continue to have service issues after restarting their equipment should call Comcast, she said.

Those who have not had cable services despite power restoration may be awarded credits, she said.

Once the company completes its storm-damage repairs, technicians will again

tackle regular customer inquiries, including equipment repairs and installations, Halprin said.

Comcast is the nation's largest provider of cable TV and Internet service, and is one of the largest providers of telephone service. It owns several cable channels and is the majority owner of NBC-Universal.

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