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Chance Selected For MO Track,
Cross Country Coaches Hall Of Fame

BY BRICE CHANDLER
EDITOR

Bowling Green Athletic Director and longtime track and cross-country coach Matt Chance has been selected for induction into the Missouri Track & Cross Country Coaches Association Hall of Fame as a member of its Class of 2026.

The Bowling Green R-I School District announced the honor, recognizing Chance for his years of leadership and commitment to Bobcat student-athletes and the school's track and cross-country programs.

Those who know Chance won't be surprised to see that he was quick to share the recognition with fellow coaches, athletes, family members and others who have supported the programs throughout his career.

"I am incredibly humbled and honored to be inducted

into the Missouri Track and Cross Country Coaches Association Hall of Fame — Class of 2026," Chance said. "This recognition is something I am truly grateful for, but I know one thing for certain: this is not a 'me' accomplishment — it is a 'WE' accomplishment."

Chance thanked his assistant coaches for the hours they have devoted to practices, meets and the overall program.

"Thank you for the countless hours, the early mornings, the late nights, the practices, the meets, and everything you have poured into our program," he explained. "Your commitment and dedication have helped make our program what it is today. I could not have done it without you."

He also credited the generations of athletes that he coached.

"Every athlete who has

put on a Bowling Green uniform has contributed to our story and our tradition," Chance said. "I am proud of each and every one of you."

Chance also thanked his family for the sacrifices that come with the long hours required of a coach, as well as his faith for providing him with opportunities to coach, teach and mentor young people.

"Most importantly, I want to thank God," he continued. "I am thankful for the opportunities He has given me, the people He has placed in my life, and the ability to coach, teach, mentor, and make a difference in the lives of young people."

Despite the victories, championships and awards accumulated during his career, Chance said those accomplishments are not what stand out most when he reflects on his years in coaching.

"When I look back, I don't think about the wins, championships, or awards first," he said. "I think about the people, the relationships, the memories, and the lives we have been fortunate enough to be a part of."

The Missouri Track & Cross Country Coaches Association works to educate and advocate for coaches and athletes while also recognizing achievements in the sports. Its Hall of Fame honors the accomplishments of Missouri track and field and cross-country coaches and athletes.

The Bowling Green School District praised Chance for building not only a successful athletic program, but also what it described as a culture centered on character, discipline and tradition.

Chance closed his announcement with the message he said best represents the honor.

"It's not me. It's WE."

Details for the 2026 Hall of Fame ceremony have not yet been announced. Chance said he hopes assistant coaches and former athletes will be able to attend, and the district said additional information will be released once ceremony plans are finalized.



BGHS Homecoming Royalty
Bowling Green High School held homecoming festivities last week. Pictured are the king Bennett Hickerson and queen Alli Hustedde.
Trib photo by Kimberly Chandler

Celebrating National 4-H Week:
Pike County 4-H Youth Area 'Beyond Ready'

National 4-H Week will be celebrated October 4–10, and this year's theme, "Beyond Ready," highlights how 4-H equips young people with the skills, confidence, and experiences they need for the future.

From leadership and communication to hands-on project work, 4-H members are developing qualities that will serve them long after their years in the program.

4-H is the nation's largest youth development program, offered locally through the University of Missouri Extension in Pike County. It is open to youth ages 8–18, with introductory opportunities for ages 5–7 through Clover Kids. Through the guidance of caring adult mentors, 4-H connects youth with projects and experiences that foster leadership, communication, and life skills—helping them be beyond ready for whatever comes next.

Pike County 4-H is home to five clubs and over 180 youth members, with countless projects and opportunities for learning and leadership each year. 4-H opportunities go far beyond showing livestock—youth explore STEM, civic engagement, community service, the arts, and more. Involvement also opens doors to regional, state, and national experiences where members can grow, compete, and connect with others across Missouri and beyond. One member stated, "This year I participated in the Show-Me-Wares program at the state fair. It offered me the chance to practice entrepreneurship and opened other similar opportunities." Enrollment for the new 4-H year opened October 1—contact the Extension Office or visit the Pike County 4-H website for more information on how to join.

Pike County 4-H is always looking for caring adults who want to make a difference. You don't have to be an expert in agriculture—skills like cooking, woodworking, photography, sewing, STEM, public speaking, and so much more can spark learning for 4-H youth.

Whether you'd like to lead a project, help at events, or simply share a passion, there's a place for you in 4-H. Contact the Extension Office to learn more and sign up.



Pike County Hope was held Saturday, Oct. 3 at the Bowling Green City Park.



Pike County Hope Chairperson Jane Gartman welcomes those attending.



Pike County Hope speaker was Charla Prior on Saturday, Oct. 3.



Pike County Hope Emcee Brent Engel at the event on Saturday, Oct. 3.

Entries Sought For Raintree Art Show

Raintree Arts Council is seeking entries for its 52nd Annual Art Exhibit and Judged Competition during Clarksville Applefest Oct. 10 and 11.

The event will be held at the Apple Shed along Highway 79 on the south side of Clarksville.

The competition is open to all artists. Work must be original and completed within the last two years. Raintree reserves the right to limit entries depending upon space and number of artists.

"This show has been going for 52 years," said Cindy Logan, competition organizer and a Raintree board member. "It started in Bowling Green and ended up at the Apple Shed when we took it over. The show gives a place for students and adults to show their work."

Categories are oil painting, acrylic, watercolor, drawing, printmaking, photography, ceramic, fiber, collage/montage, glass sculpture, wood carving and metal sculpture. Two-dimensional work must be no larger than four-feet-by-four-feet and properly mounted and wired for hanging. Items with sawtooth hangers will not be accepted.

The adult division is for participants ages 18 and older. Works by students in grades K-12 from local schools will be judged separately.

Advanced registration is preferred before Oct. 7. Items may be dropped off at the Apple Shed from 4-6 p.m. Oct. 7 and 4 to 7 p.m. Oct. 8.

Pick up is from 3 to 4 p.m. Oct. 11. Raintree is not responsible for items left beyond that time.

More information is available by contacting Logan at artladycl@gmail.com.

August Library Book Review



Brenda Gower
October Library Staff
Book Review
The Founding Mother
by Stephanie Dray &
Laura Kamoie
Reviewed by

Brenda Gower Farber Branch Library Manager
The Founding Mother is a historical fiction novel about Abigail Adams. Abigail was a prolific letter writer and, unlike Martha Washington, did not destroy her correspondence. Using these letters, Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie put together Abigail's story. This story begins in 1765 with Abigail newly married and soon to be a mother. The American Revolution is underway and her husband, John Adams, is very much involved. John was away

often with his involvement in the Continental Congress, securing French support for the 13 colonies, becoming the first Vice President, and then the second person to be President of the United States. I enjoyed learning about this strong woman who became our country's first Second Lady, second First Lady, as well as raised a future President. If you would like to have an understanding of a founding mother, a woman who helped shape our country, this is a must-read.



DAR Honors Veterans On Patriot Day

Six members of the Susanna Randolph Chapter DAR Chapter met at the Vandalia Dairy Queen on Patriot Day. The group shared memories of 9-11 in honor of the 25th anniversary of that day. The ladies wore red shirts to honor veterans and active military. Pictured, from left: Joy Davis, Ruth Miller, Ann Carter, Leslie Fowler, Jean Trower, and Brenda Gower.



Vandalia VFW Auxiliary

Participates In Prairie Days

Members of the Vandalia VFW Post Auxiliary #2173 participated in Prairie Days Parade on Saturday, Sept. 26 in Vandalia. Pictured, from left: Auxiliary President Victoria Shaw, Joy Davis, June Willis, Lydia Vogt (barely visible), Michelle Vogt, Judy Hull, and Janet Armstrong (in front of Judy). Member Lionel Shaw was the driver.

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1,078 Steers, medium & large					401 Heifers, Med. & Large				
Computer Avg.					Computer Avg.				
6	300 & Down	454	585	1	300 & Down	477			
52	300-400	450	552	33	300-400	425	502		
154	400-500	445	522	89	400-500	375	417		
301	500-600	410	451	154	500-600	350	376		
282	600-700	395	451	75	600-700	325	353		
211	700-800	350	376	37	700-800	305	321		
70	800-900	310	322	8	800-900	260	270		
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11	Bred Cows - Better	2800	3750		Others				
1	Pairs								
					Slaughter Cows	144			
	High Dressing	135	155		Low	105	125		
	Bulk	130	140		Thin	50	90		
12	Slaughter Bulls	175	250						
14	ALL SLAUGHTER STEERS & HEIFERS SOLD ON MON. NOON								
	Choice 2 & 3	235	245	Steers & Heifers					
	Select	222		Mixed Select	226				
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Jack Harrison - 573-999-7197		Jack Harrison, Owner		Myles McWhorter - 573-263-3759					
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Roger Temmen - 573-680-4538		Market Report		Jarrod Simpson - 573-247-0706					
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Claude Niemeyer - 573-470-1017		24 hour recording		Kevin Miliken - 417-588-0307					
Tyler Harris - 573-220-2766		Carson Poe - 573-550-9133		Cration Blatttel - 417-650-7688					

Route B Is Open To Traffic

The bridge replacement project on Route B over Peno Creek, just east of U.S. Route 61, near Frankford in Pike County, has been completed and is now open to traffic.

Bleigh Construction Company was awarded the \$2.2 million contract in fall 2025.

For more information on this and other projects in your area, please contact MoDOT's Customer Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK MODOT (275-6636). Work with us in the work zone! Please remember to obey all work zone signs and personnel.

With an increased number of highway work zones in Missouri, we urge all drivers to pay attention every second, especially through a work zone.

Be informed of your route by checking the MoDOT Traveler Information Map before you travel.

Keep Growing After Harvest: Planting Cover Crops

As harvest progresses across Missouri, many producers are already beginning to plan for next year's crop.

One management decision that can provide numerous benefits is the use of cover crops. Research and farmer experiences continue to demonstrate the significant agronomic, environmental, and economic value that cover crops can provide. From improving soil health and reducing erosion to enhancing nutrient management and providing additional forage, cover crops have become an important tool for building resilient cropping systems. This month, take a look at five ways cover crops can be a tool for you.

PROTECT & IMPROVE YOUR SOIL
Following harvest, many fields are

left bare and vulnerable to wind and water erosion. Cover crops create a protective canopy over the soil surface while their root systems anchor soil particles in place, helping reduce the loss of valuable topsoil.

Beyond erosion control, cover crops also contribute to long-term soil health by reducing compaction, increasing organic matter, and stimulating biological activity. Living roots continue feeding soil microorganisms when cash crops are no longer growing, helping create healthier, more productive soils over time.

IMPROVE WATER MANAGEMENT
Improve Water Management
Here in Missouri, we know that water can be something that seems to disappear overnight. Cover crops improve soil

structure by creating channels and pores that allow rainfall to infiltrate more efficiently. At the same time, increased organic matter improves the soil's ability to hold water for future crop use. Every 1 percent increase in soil organic

Community Calendar...

Submit upcoming events by calling 324-6111 or e-mail to: peopletribune@sbcglobal.net

On Oct. 19: Red Cross blood drive, 12:30-5:30 p.m., at the Louisiana First Christian Church.

On Oct. 20: Pike County Democratic Club meet at 6 p.m., at the Bowling Green Community Center, 201 W. Locust Street, Bowling Green.

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Directions:

From Bowling Green take to Hwy Y to 477 make a Rt on 477
Go to 476 make a Rt go to 478 make a Lt on 478 Auction Site will be on your Rt
From Curryville Take M South to 467 make a Lt on 467 go to 468 make a Rt on 468 go to 478 make a Lt on 478 Auction Site will be on your Lt.

Saturday, October 10, 2026 at 9:00AM



Biscuits and Gravy
BREAKFAST 6:30AM - 9AM
LUNCH AND BEVERAGES AVAILABLE
BAKE SALES
Homemade Ice Cream

ANTIQUES/ COLLECTIBLES
Old Wooden School Desk
Wooden Rocking Horse

TOYS
IH One Row Picker
True-Scale Wheat Drill
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Tru-Scale Mower
Tru-Scale Rake
Tru-Scale Disk
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Tru-Scale Tractor
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JD Pull Type Combine
Antique Pump Jack
JD Combine 12A 1940
JD Model E Engine
McCormick-Deering Model M
Tru-Scale Grain Auger
JD Model BR

VERY PARTIAL LIST OF TOYS!

MISCELLANEOUS
NEW Wheel Barrows
NEW Horse Blankets
NEW 1-Ton Chain Hoist
New Fishing Poles
New Lead Ropes
Lot New Tools
New 3400 PSI PPressure Washer
1-Lot NEW Battery Tools and Batteries
Dewalt-N-Milwaukee
Lot-Old Liscence Plates (Sev. Sets)
Genuine Bull Durham
Tobacco Adv. in Frame
Glenwood & Elmwood
Stoves Adv. in Frame
Penzoil DDL Sided LightUp
Sign @ 6'x8'
Penzoil DBL Sided LightUp
Sign @ 4'x6'
70 Gal Air Compressor (NEW) 15HP
40 Gal Stainless Steel Kettle
Western Poultry Fountain
1890 Victorian Back Bar
W/Base-N-Mirror
IH 2 Wheel Manure Spreader On Rubber

Very Partial List!

QUILTS
Bursling Log Cabin
Red & Pink 95 x 108
98x106 Puffed
Diamond Star in Pinks, Reds, Grays, Blacks & White
Broken Twinkling Star Blue & Gray
105x116

Many Many More Day Of Sale

MISCELLANEOUS CONT.

Top Buggy 1/2 Size (GOOD)
Single Top Buggy On Rubber
Road Cart On Rubber
Primitive Coffee Table
Primitive Work Bench
Primitive Kitchen Cabinet
Old Dresser
Old Stained Glass Church Windows
Vintage sleds
Bristmas Blowmolds
Set Wooden Lockers
6' Cigar Store Indian
Sev.Lighting Rods W/Balls
#24-#43 Biddner Bells
3'Boatrap
Sev. Jars Marbles
Snowsleeds
6-Oil Bottles W/Carrier
Dazey Butter Churns
6' Longhorns
Winchester, Keenuttter, Sharpleigh
Hatchest
Old Wooden Washer
Planters Peanut Jars
Snow Shoes
Wood Pulleys
Whiskey Barrels
15 gal Whiskey Barrels
Cow Hides
Rustic Wishing Well
Copper Kettles
Butcher Kettles
Steel Wheels
Wooden Buggy Wheels
2-Adult Hickory Rockers
2-Childs Hickory Rockers
Spinners
Metal Yard Art Etc
Wooden Bowls
Aunt Jermina Coin Banks
Buck Saws
Crosscut Saws
Weather Vanes
IH Bench Seat

LARGE SELECTION OF FALL MUMS AND OTHER FALL ITEMS

FOWL-TURKEY'S- RABBITS-GUINEAS
Bantams
2 Yr. Old Hens
Guineas
Ducks
Rabbits
White Silkie Bantams

Pullets
Silver Laced Wyandotte Pullets
Barred Rock Pullets
Delaware Pullets
Lavendar "Ash" Pullets
Rhode Island Red Pullets

All The Above Pullets
aWill Be @ 5 mo. Old and
Should Be Laying By Sale Date.

Coins Sell At 11:00 A.M.
Followed By Toys and
Sporting Goods

COINS/JEWELRY
1884 Carson City Morgan
(VERY NICE)
1879 Morgan Dollar
1881 O Morgan Dollar
1887 S Morgan Dollar
1889 Morgan Dollar
1890 Morgan Dollar
2 - 1891 Morgan Dollar
1 - 1891 O Morgan Dollar
1858 Flying Eagle Penny
1889 Dime
5 - 1 OZ. Silver Bars
Some Silver Certificates
1853 \$1 Liberty Head Gold Coin
1853 California 1/2 Gold Token
1852 California 1/2 Gold Token
Eisenhower Proof Dollar Coins
Colonized State Quarters
2023-S Silver Proof Dime
2 - 2007-S Silver Proof Quarters
2000-S Silver Proof Kennedy
Half Dollar
2007-S Silver Proof Kennedy
Half Dollar
1974-S Silver Proof Kennedy
Half Dollar
1976-S Silver Proof Kennedy
Half Dollar
2003 Silver Proof Kennedy
Half Dollar
1985 & 1970 Proof Quarters
6 - 40% Silver Kennedy Half Dollars
1939 Uncirculated Mercury Dime
1907&191D Barber Half Dollars
11 Clad Half Dollars
10 Uncirculated Proof Half Dollers
10 Silver Half Dollars
Clad Eisenhower Dollars
1892 Mexican Reales Silver Coin
1960&1980&24k Gold
Plated Kennedy
Half Dollar- Double Dated

COINS/JEWELRY Cont.
10 Lots of 10 Steel War
Pennies
Lots of V Nickles and
Buffalo Nickles
2 - 1979 24k Gold Plated
President
Kennedy Coin Sets
W/Stamp
20 Plus Coin Proof Sets OF
All Kinds & Years
9 Coin US Wartime Penny Set
2009 Commemorative Gold
Edition
Quarter Set
1882 CC Morgan Silver Dollar -
Excellent Condition
1883 Silver Proof Kennedy
Half Dollar
2017 US Mint Proof Set
5 Large Cents - From 1810 to
1861
Westward Journey Coin Sets
\$1 Dollar Silver Certificates
20 Plus Early 1900s Bank
Notes
Early Roman Coins
Rad Ha Krishna Wedding Coin
.999
Silver & 24k Gold
3 Missouri Sales Tax Tokens
NYC Transit Tokens
5 Penny Rolls
2 Rolls P&D Westword Journey
Nickles- Unc
Gold Plated \$1 Dollar Proof
President Coins
1776 VOC NY Penny
Indian Head & Wheat Pennies
Misc Coins & Tokens of all
Kinds
Approx. 200 Lots of Coins

Guns Will Sell at
Approx. 2:00 P.M.

GUNS
Rem. Mod. 700 BDL 222 Cal
W/ Redfield Scope
Rem. Mod. 700 BDL 223 Cal
Rem. Mod. 700 BDL 270 Cal
Rem. Mod. 700 BDL 30-06 Cal
Rem. Mod. 700 BDL 7MM
Rem. Mag.
Rem. Mod. 700 BDL 243 Cal.
Syn. Stainless BRL
W/ Scope
Rem. Mod. 700 ADL 243 Cal
W/ Bushnell Scope
Rem. Mod. 700 ADL 25-06
W/ Tasco Scope

GUNS Cont.
Rem. Mod. 700 ADL 243 Cal. Syn.
Blued BRL W Nikon Scope
Rem. Mod. 870 W.M. 12 Ga
Magnum 3" V.R.
Rem. Mod. 870 16 Ga V.R.
Rem. Mod. 1100 L.T. 20 Ga.
Magnum V.R.
Win. Mod. 94 Pre. 64 32 Win SPL
Browning BPS 20 Ga VR
Inv. Chokes 3"
Browning BPS 12 Ga VR
Inv. Chokes 3"
Browning A-Bolt 243 Cal Syn.
Threaded BRL
Ruger Mod. 10/22 22 Cal.
Mossgren Mod. 151 M 22 Cal.
Revelation 30-30 Cal Bolt Action
Howa 1500 Fenceline 22-250 Cal
Cerrakote BRL (NIB)
Marlin Mod. 336 30-30 Cal 20"
BRL Gold Trigger (MINT)
Henry Classic 22 Lever (NIB)
Felix Sarasqueta New York
410 Ga DBL BRL S/S
Crescent Firearms CO. Quail
410 Ga Hammerless DBL
BRL S/S
Springfield 5100 410 Ga
DBL BRL S/S
Ithica Mod. M66 410 Ga
Supersingle Lever 3"
Ruger Varguero 45 Cal. Stainless
Black Grips
Ruger Varguero 45 Cal
Blued Rosewood Grips

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Community News

From The Mayor's Desk...

When progress happens slowly, it is sometimes hard to identify, but if you sit back and look at our town with that in mind, you will be able to see all of the changes that are taking place, or have taken place in just a few short years.

Bowling Green is evolving right before our eyes, and it makes for a better place to live, a greater place to raise a family, and a town that you can be proud of.

The much-needed pedestrian bridge coming to the north end of town will provide safety and beauty. The sidewalk that tails the bridge and winds down Business 61 all the way to the school, is another testament of the dedication to safety and beauty to our town. Please thank your County Commissioner's for all of their hard work on this project?

Issues with our streets are being addressed, with several streets being completed, or

nearly completed this year. There is much more work to do, but improvements are coming to all streets that need attention.

A brand new Splash Pad that knocks off the flames of scorching skin adds to the desires to come visit or city. These visitors are bound to shop at our stores, eat at our restaurants, and fill up their gas tanks right here. This adds revenue to not only our business owner's pockets, but to the city as well. These funds are then used to fix more streets, improve infrastructure, and invest in the future of Bowling Green.

Our ballfields need a bit of a facelift too, so be looking for those improvements coming soon....very soon! It is a wonderful thing to be a part of, and I am looking forward to helping construct the greatness of Bowling Green over the next couple of years. Keep on keeping on, Bowling Green!



TOM THOMPSON-MAYOR
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Peoples Bank & Trust Welcomes

Kaitlyn Niemeyer-Burks As Ag/Commercial Lender



Kaitlyn Niemeyer-Burks

Peoples Bank & Trust Co., is pleased to announce the addition of Kaitlyn Niemeyer-Burks as an agricultural/commercial lender, serving customers from the bank's Bowling Green branch.

Kaitlyn brings more than a decade of agricultural lending experience to Peoples Bank & Trust. Since beginning her career as a junior agricultural lender immediately after college, she has advanced through positions including Agricultural Loan Specialist and Agribusiness Development Officer before becoming a lender. Throughout her career, she has specialized in agricultural financing, with a strong focus on Farm Service Agency (FSA) lending programs and assisting young and beginning farmers as they establish and grow their operations.

A lifelong resident of the Bowling Green area, Kaitlyn was born and raised on her family's farm north of Bowling Green. "I'm excited to join Peoples Bank & Trust and look forward to serving the community that raised me," said Kaitlyn. "It's an honor to have the opportunity to give back to the people who have supported and encouraged me throughout my life and career. I'm passionate about helping farmers, agribusinesses, and local businesses achieve their goals and build for the future."

In her new role, Kaitlyn will work with agricultural producers, agribusinesses, and commercial customers to provide customized lending solutions and financial guidance tailored to their unique needs.

Outside of work, she enjoys spending time with her

husband, Jeff, and their three children, Tate, Carter, and Millie. Whether spending time on the farm or cheering on Tate at sporting events throughout the year, family remains at the center of her life.

Peoples Bank & Trust Co., is proud to welcome Kaitlyn to the team and looks forward to the positive impact she will make for customers and the agricultural community across Pike County.

About Peoples Bank & Trust

Peoples Bank & Trust Co. is a community-focused financial institution dedicated to providing personalized banking, lending, and financial services to individuals, businesses, and agricultural customers throughout the communities it serves while staying true to its commitment to providing hometown banking the way it should be.

With a commitment to local decision-making and relationship-based banking, Peoples Bank & Trust helps customers achieve their financial goals while supporting the growth and prosperity of the region.

Pike To Pike...



By Wyvetta Davis-Niffen
1-217-320-8438

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. 1 John 1:8-10

The Pike County Senior Citizens Center, 220 West Adams Street, in Pittsfield will be holding their fundraiser Fish Fry on Thursday, Oct. 8 from 4:30-6 p.m. The menu will be your choice of catfish fillet or buffalo with three set sides this month of potato salad, slaw, green bean casserole, plus your choice of dessert, and tea. Eat in or carry out. All ages are welcome. Questions call 217-285-4969. Gift certificates are available for any amount. The Center does not receive any federal or state funding, so everyone's ongoing support is appreciated to help keep the center up and running.

This Friday, Oct. 9, The Buggs' Family Opry will be in Pearl with the music start-

ing at 7 p.m.

The e-waste recycling event will be held from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Pike County Senior Center, 220 West Adams Street, Pittsfield, and is open to the public. Questions, please call 1-217-440-9205.

Sunday, Oct. 11, starting at p.m., His Little Feet orphanage choir will be performing a concert at Detroit Christian Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for the week of Oct. 7-13:

Oct. 7 - John Brown Jr.
Oct. 8 - Rodney Prentice, Bill Grimsley

Oct. 9 - Donald Baxter, Randy Ferguson, Jamie's granddaughter Shayla Niffen, Joe and Krystal Huckstep

Oct. 10 - Brenda Crawford, Debbie Whitlock, Margaret Garner (Jim's wife)

Oct. 11 - Sheila and John Kroeschel

Oct. 13 - Gloria Castleberry, Bryan Brown

Trivia Answers from Last Week:

1 What is the ninth of the ten commandments? (Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.)

2 Which U.S. President was the only ordained minister before becoming President? (thanks Bobby Johnston for this question and answer) (James Garfield)

3 Genuine ivory comes from what three animals? (besides elephant, also wild boar and walrus)

To celebrate my son Nathan Davis' milestone birthday, we had a family

dinner/supper at the Boatel in Naples on Friday, Oct. 2 (even though his birthday was actually Oct. 1). Those in attendance, besides Nathan, were: Jacqueline and Kit Mefford; Wess Davis; Reese Davis and Tyler Grover; Lori Capps; and Wyvetta Davis and Jamie Niffen. After having a delicious meal, we all came back to the home of Wyvetta and Jamie, and had a bang up good time by shooting off some fireworks in the back yard.

Saturday evening the Big River Band had their music at the Pike County Senior Center in Pittsfield with a wonderful attendance of 50 present. Everyone seemed to enjoy the show, either listening to the music and/or dancing. People brought plenty of snacks to have during the show. Next show will be Nov. 17.

Single Seniors + One usually skips the month of December to have their "Meet, Greet, & Eat". That being said, Wednesday, Sept. 30, they had their 30th monthly get-together at Watts Up in Nebo. There were 26 individuals present who enjoyed the excellent service the staff provided plus the delicious food that was served. It's definitely not too late to start attending Single Seniors + One. More the merrier. Just call or text 1-217-320-8438 to express your interest and ask questions.



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Korean Food Fundraiser

Centenary UMC will host its annual Korean Food Fundraiser on Friday, Oct. 23 at 5:30 p.m., at 621 S. Carolina St. in Louisiana.

This year's featured dish will be Galbi-jjim, a traditional Korean dish of tender beef short ribs slowly braised in a rich, savory sauce. The complete meal will also include rice, japchae (Korean glass noodles), beef radish soup, kimchi, dessert, and a drink.

The Rev. Beomseon Hong, pastor of the church and a native of South Korea, will oversee the preparation of the meal. The fundraiser offers the community an opportunity to enjoy a traditional Korean meal while supporting the ministries of the church.

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Lovada Ruth Prunty

Lovada Ruth Prunty, 73, of Bowling Green died Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2026, at Avenir at Maple Grove Nursing Home in Louisiana. Funeral services were Monday at Bowling Green First Presbyterian Church at 11 a.m. Burial was at Vandalia Cemetery in Vandalia. Visitation was from 10 a.m., until time of service. Bibb-Veach Funeral Home & Crematory in Bowling Green was in charge of services.

Lovada was born Jan. 13, 1953 to Charlie and Grace J. Miller Smith. She grew up in the German section of Baden in North County St. Louis. She attended Baden Elementary and Northwest High School and continued her education at St. Charles Community College.

Lovada met her husband, Othie Lee Prunty Jr., while working at a restaurant in Baden. They married in 1972 and to this union they had two children, Christina Prunty Scherder and husband, Curtis of Lake St. Louis and Othie Lee Prunty III of Bowling Green.

Those left to carry on her legacy including her children are two grandchildren, Abigail Grace and Mason Wilmer Scherder of Lake St. Louis.

She had a diverse employment history from fast food, home interior sales, retail and real estate agent, and she also worked as a corrections officer. Lovada also enjoyed working with people with disabilities at Ruth Jensen Village. Her love for food service led her to own and operate Kountry Barn Café (Chicken Place) and the business restaurant at the sale barn. She also had a companion dog, Prince, whom she loved dearly.

Lovada was a member of the Bowling Green First Presbyterian Church, Red Hats and a ladies group called LGW.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two brothers, Robert A. Smith and John T. Smith and a sister, Rebecca A. Smith Reed.

Memorials may be made to Bowling Green First Presbyterian Church.

Online condolences may be left at www.bibbveach.com.



Wanda Marilyn Gamble

Wanda Marilyn Gamble, 72, of Silex died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2026 at her home.

Wanda was born June 5, 1954 in St. Louis, the daughter of Amos Richard and Emily A. Prater Cain. Wanda was united in marriage on July 22, 1971 in Springtown to David Austin Gamble. This union was blessed with three children, David, Austina, and Joel. Wanda worked as an administrative assistant for Silex RCF, retiring in 2009. She was a member of Silex Assembly of God Church.

Wanda loved to laugh and her beautiful smile will forever be remembered.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Amos and Emily Cain; one brother, Billy Cain; and a son, Joel Scott Gamble.

Survivors include her husband of 55 years, David Gamble of Silex; one son, David J. Gamble and wife, Lori of Silex; a daughter, Austina Morris and husband, Timothy of Silex; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. Wanda also leaves

one brother, Ronnie Cain of Potosi; one sister, Darla Gamble and husband, Kenny of Silex; several nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 17 at Silex Assembly of God Church, with dinner to immediately follow.

Memorials may be made to Silex Assembly of God, c/o Carter-Ricks Funeral Home, 107 South 5th Street, Elsberry, MO 63343.

Online condolences may be made at www.carterricks-funeralhome.com.



Barbara Francis King

Funeral services for Barbara Francis King, 82, of Laddonia, were at 7 p.m., Monday at Bienhoff Funeral Home in Laddonia with pastor Chris Atkinson officiating. Private family burial will take place at a later date in the Laddonia Cemetery.

Visitation was Monday from 5 p.m., until the time of the service at the funeral home.

Barb died Monday, Sept. 28, 2026 at her home surrounded by her family.

She was born Aug. 31, 1944 in Amory, Miss., the daughter of King Solomon Stanford and Hazel Earline Summers.

Survivors include a daughter, Angie Snyder of Laddonia; three sisters, Joan Schoneboom of Rush Hill, Wynell Haynes of Fulton, and Linda Edwards of Vandalia; four grandchildren, Amber Snyder and Nathan Pargeon, Josh Snyder, and wife, Victoria, and Chad Branstetter and wife, Kay-lee; six great-grandchildren, Kade and Barrett Pargeon, Aubree, Oaklee, and Onyx Snyder and Natalea Branstetter; along with nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two daughters, Penny Sue Snyder and Lisa Lea Branstetter, four brothers, Vernon Stanford, Jim Stanford, and two infant brothers, Hubert and Randall.

Barb was a lifetime area resident and began her working years babysitting and caring for children, which she did for 17 years. She later worked at the Vandalia Garment Factory and Harbison-Walker Refractories. Barb then spent 15 years working at the Audrain County Courthouse. Most recently, she cleaned at Laddonia Christian Church, Laddonia Baptist Church, and Bienhoff Funeral Home before her retirement.

Barb enjoyed gardening and had a special love for flowers. She also enjoyed games of chance and the fun and excitement they brought. Above all, Barb treasured her family. She devoted much of her life to caring for her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and was always willing to help them in any way she could. Spending time with those she loved brought her the greatest joy.

Memorial contributions may be made to Laddonia Cemetery and mailed c/o Bienhoff Funeral Home P.O. Box 6, Laddonia, MO 63352.



Linda Carol Null

Funeral services for Linda Carol Null, 79, of Farber, were at 1 p.m., Monday at Bienhoff Funeral Home in Vandalia, with pastor Gary Hood officiating. Burial followed in Farber Cemetery.

Visitation was from 11 a.m., until the time of the service at the funeral home.

Mrs. Null died Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born July 23, 1947 in St. Louis, the daughter of Ervin and Patricia Heaston Myers. Linda married Jimmie Lee Null on Aug. 8, 1964 in Farber. They shared 62 loving years together.

Survivors include her husband, Jimmie; four sons, Ervin Allen Null and wife, Candy of Wellsville, LeRoy Null and wife, Lynette of Vandalia, Daniel Null and wife, Heather of Farber, and Marvin Null and wife, Shannon of Truxton. Linda left a large legacy with 16 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren; along with several nieces, nephews, other relatives, her best friend, Sue Robinett and husband, Larry of Mexico; and other dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, Donna Dickson, Debbie Cheney, and Joyce Green, one brother, Steven Myers; and a granddaughter, Shyra Null.

Linda was baptized and was a member of the Farber Christian Church. She enjoyed playing bingo and crocheting in her spare time. Above all, Linda was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who took great pride in her family. Her greatest joy came from the time spent with those she loved and the special memories they shared together.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Bradley Yelton, Justin Null, Shad Null, Benjamin Null, Jimmie Null, Garrett Looney, Remington Null, and Ryan Null. Honorary pallbearers were grandchildren, Stephanie Jones, Megan Jost, Mercedes Null, Morgan Oligschlaeger, LeAndrea Null, Shanea Null, Jeanette Brower, Lyndle Chrisman, Ryan Chrisman, and Tyler Brower.

Memorial contributions may be made to Farber Cemetery and mailed c/o Bienhoff Funeral Home, P.O. Box 54, Vandalia, MO 63382.

Online condolences may be made at www.bienhoff-funeralhome.com.



Shirley Louise Tredway

Shirley Louise Tredway, 88, of Louisiana died Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2026 at the Hannibal Regional Hospital in Hannibal.

Funeral services were at 12 p.m., Monday at Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana. The Rev. John Davis officiated. Burial was at New Harmony Cemetery near Curryville.

Visitation was from 10 a.m., until time of service Monday at the funeral home.

Shirley was born Oct. 21, 1937 in Curryville to Harve and Annie Gordon Branstetter. Her first marriage was to Ronald Hurshman. She later married Dayle Tredway on May 5, 1963 in Vandalia. He preceded her in death on July 19, 2020.

She grew up on the family farm and attended school locally in Curryville, then in Bowling Green for junior high and high school. After marriage they lived in Vandalia and later moved to Louisiana. She was a housewife until all her kids were in school then worked at Elzea's Egg Factory in Vandalia. She later was employed at Smith-Barr Manor nursing home and the Rivers Edge Motel in Louisiana. She loved listening to country music, playing bingo, and going to the American Legion where she and Dayle loved to dance.

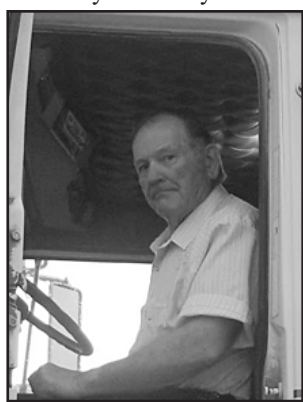
She is survived by three sons, Ron Hurshman and wife, Tammy, Rusty Tredway and friend Judith, and Randy Tredway and wife, wife Lisa; one daughter, Vicki Swarnes and husband, Frank; grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Bridgett

Hurshman, Daylan, John, and Gage, Mackenzie Hurshman, and Mekhi, Malory Hurshman, Nova, Trevor Kessler, Kellen, and Maci, Jessica Tredway, Chloe, Harlow, and Nolan, Jordan Tredway, Maverick, Adam Tredway, Ashlynn Tredway, Joey Hurshman, and Nick Hurshman; a sister-in-law, Sharon Branstetter, wife of Kemmie; and many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and -nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Harve and Anna Branstetter, her husband, Dayle Tredway in 2020, a son, Rick Hurshman in 2008, brothers, John, Bert, Elmer, Raymond, Richard, Joe, and Kemmie Branstetter; and sisters, Mary Frances Mudd, Ruby Nolan, and Patsy Grainge.

Pallbearers were Daylan Hurshman, John Parsons, Gage Parsons, Trevor Kessler, Jordan Tredway, and Adam Tredway.

Memorials can be made to Pike County Home Health and Hospice or to the New Harmony Cemetery.



Quentin Henderson

Quentin Henderson, 82, died peacefully on the family farm, west of Cyrene, Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2026.

Visitation will be at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green Tuesday (today) from 4-8 p.m., and from 1 p.m., until time of service Wednesday.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home with Craig Rosenburg officiating. Visitation from 1 until the time of services Wednesday. Burial will follow at Antioch Cemetery near Cyrene.

Cammie Quentin Henderson was born Jan. 21, 1944 in Louisiana, the son of Cammie Vester and Katie B. Wilson Henderson. He began his schooling at a young age, accompanying "Miss Katie B.," better known to him as "mom" to her one-room schoolhouse at the age of 18 months, because he wouldn't stay with a sitter. This led to him starting school a year early and made him one of, if not the youngest in his class. He paid his own tuition to take the eighth grade at Bowling Green, so he could join FFA and show hogs. He traveled all over the country showing his prize-winning pigs, and it was a tradition he passed down to both his children. He graduated with the class of 1961 at Bowling Green High School.

Quentin was an agriculturalist at heart early in life, and told of planting his first corn with a team at the ripe old age of 5 years old in the field south of the lane on the home place. He laughed and said that old team knew what to do, they didn't need him, but he was one proud little farmer to get to plant corn. That would have been the spring of 1949. He put in his first crop on his own in the spring of 1961, at 17 years old.

He also had an interest in machinery and building roads. He spread his first load of rock at the age of 12. His dad went with another truck to get a load of gravel and came back to dad's load spread on the road they were working on. When asked who spread that gravel, he said, "Well I did!"

Farming and trucking were a passion and a livelihood for dad, also known as Poppy, who even on his very last day on this earth was able to check cows all morning with Chris. He was often known around the area as the gravel man, and could spread rock forward and also backspread. He was also able to spread one-inch rock half an inch thick, and his family still to this day don't know how he accomplished that. He prided himself in his work and Sunday drives when we were kids were often to look at the work that dad had done with the truck

that week. He could also operate any machine he sat on, and would often say a curve or two in your road adds value to a place.

He would always want to be the first one at the quarry gates when they opened, and do everything he could to get the last load of the day. What many may not have realized is that his work was far from done when he parked that Ford Louisville or in later years that Western Star at home. Depending on the season of the year and of life, there was hay to bale, hogs, and cattle to feed, feed to grind, crops to plant, tend to and harvest and grass to mow. When his kids were little, he called his mowing his Sunday beautification program. He loved to mow, and would keep the roadsides neat and mowed. His pride shone through in all that he did. He believed in doing things right the first time, not quitting until the job was done, and in taking care of what you had.

Quentin married Gladys Jane Running and together they grew a business, the farms, a life, and a family rooted in hard work, helping your neighbor, and keeping your word. They were blessed with a son, Christopher Quentin Henderson; and a daughter, Holly Jane Henderson. Many meals were had in a field or the kitchen table at 6 a.m., 12 p.m., and 6 p.m., as this was often times the only time the family would be together in the day. Those meals always consisted of meat, generally raised on the farm, sweet tea, sweet pickles, and Cracker Barrel cheese, and something sweet for dessert. Dad always led in prayer before a meal, and his work paused, and the family ate together as a family. Time with him was often in a truck seat or on the fender or toolbox of a tractor, as his work never stopped. A man that lead by example, he had few words but his big smile, even bigger wave, and a love that never wavered that said what his words did not. After Gladys' death on Sept. 14, 2001, Quentin kept on trucking and remained an active part of the farm with Chris, and Holly tried to keep everyone fed.

The family was blessed with Cheryl Hopke, Quentin's sweetheart, who was a part of the family for 19 years until her death. After her retirement from nursing, she would often be found as his co-pilot riding in the dump truck, and answering his cell phone "Henderson Trucking." She could also be found during hay season on the farm helping to keep everyone fed and always making sure dad had something sweet to eat from her delicious baking every week. She got dad to enjoy life outside of work a bit, traveling to local country music shows, and enjoyed trips to Bagnell Dam, Branson, Nashville to visit the Grand Ol' Opry, and Loretta Lynn's Ranch in Tennessee. He said I better go enjoy it while I can. And enjoy life they did.

Left to carry on his legacy are his son, Christopher Quentin; a daughter, Holly Jane and Jason Sherwood. Also surviving are a sister-in-law, Shelley Running; nephews; nieces; cousins; neighbors; and a host of customers and friends to celebrate a life well-lived.

Pallbearers will be Chris Henderson, Darrell Henderson, Mike Dameron, Connor Shannon, Michael Gilbert, and David Pine. Honorary pallbearers will be Donald Bibb, Eddie O'Donel, Fritz Buchmeier, Johnnie Shannon, and Ronnie Bybee.

Memorials suggested to the Antioch Cemetery Association, or to the donor's choice.



Ruth Ann Summers

Ruth Ann Summers, 86, of Curryville died Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026, at her residence, surrounded by her family.

Cremation rites are under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes in Bowling Green. No services are planned at this time.

Ruth Ann was born April 10, 1940, in Grafton, Ill., the daughter of Claud and Ferol Cunningham Wallace. She grew up in Grafton and attended school in Dow, Ill. Following school, she married Johnny "Buster" H. Summers on Sept. 16, 1961. The family moved to Pike County in March of 1981, where she spent her days raising her family, keeping the family home, and working beside her husband.

Ruth Ann enjoyed listening to country music and sitting on the porch. She loved being in the kitchen cooking, baking and decorating cakes. She liked to sew, making her own clothes and making clothing, and costumes for the grandkids. She enjoyed camping and fishing trips with the family. Above all, her grandchildren were her favorite thing.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children Roger Summers of Curryville, Bryon Summers and wife, Elizabeth of Middletown, and Darren Summers and Becky Dempsey-Brush of Middletown; grandchildren, Brittney Reuther and husband, Ben, Cody Summers, Justin Summers and wife, Ginger, Anna Summers, Ashley Branham, Danielle Summers, Levi Summers, and Zila Summers; great-grandchildren, Easton Reuther, Waylon Reuther, Henry Summers, Amitty Delaney, Gabriel Foreman, Stella Cagle, and Bjorn Summers; a brother, Lonnie Wallace and wife, Sharon of Brighton, Ill.; nieces, nephews, and extended family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four brothers, Truman Wallace, Paul Wallace, Ted Wallace, and Tommy Wallace; two sisters, Janet Cope and Lois Slaughter; a granddaughter, Daphne Summers; and a great-grandson, Wallace Elliott Summers.

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NE MO Genealogical Society To Meet

The Northeast Missouri Genealogical Society will hold their fourth and final meeting for the year 2026 on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 10 a.m., at the Lewis County Historical Society and Museum, 102 North 4th Street, Canton.

Doug Martin, President of the Lewis County Historical Society and Museum will talk about the history and all the resources available at this facility. After the program Donna Lawson, president of the Northeast

Missouri Genealogical Society, will conduct the business meeting.

For year 2026 the other officers are: Nancy Tie-mann, vice-president; Trave-elle Whitaker, secretary; Ann Guymon, treasurer.

This will be the annual meeting electing officers for the 2027-2028 seasons..... bring a friend.

The Northeast Missouri Genealogical Society serves 14 counties in northeast Missouri and the quarterly meetings are scheduled at

various locations to make it possible for the outlying members to attend. A 30-33 page quarterly is published each April, June, August and October and is dedicated to the collection of genealogy materials, both published and unpublished.

The public and those in-terested in family research are welcome to attend. For more information about the meeting or information about the Society, call Duane Harsell at (573) 288-4200.

Brewster Family Holds Annual Reunion

The 48th Annual Brewster Reunion was held Saturday, Aug. 9.

Four generations of Brewsters gathered at the Don Brewster Farm just east of Bowling Green. Thirty family members from the five family branches were represented and gathered for a carry-in lunch, visiting, updating family history and picture taking. A group picture was taken along with pictures by generation, so the younger ones could under-stand the family tree a little

better.

Over the past year they lost family member, Grant Gruszka. Those attending were: Butch and Pamela Perron of Clinton, Iowa; Byron Perron of Mt. Pleas-ant, Iowa; John and Margaret Terry and Izzy and Jaden of Co-lumbia; Charlie McCurdy, Vale-rie Galloway, Wayne and Janice Baker all Vandalia; Julia and Gene Taylor of Curryville; Jim and Karen Taylor of Sturgeon; Julie and Gary Allen of Jefferson City; Samantha and Lance

Miles, Rachel, Zoe, Reuben, Toby and Kirby all of New Lon-don; Janice and Alan Brake of Montgomery City; Carla Berg-koetter of Lake St. Louis; Linda Gruszka Brewster, and hosts, Don and Dorothy Brewster of all Bowling Green.

After a brief meeting the family voted to continue having the reunion on a Saturday. Special Birthdays and Anniversaries were recognized. The 2027 re-union will be held on Saturday, Aug. 14 at the Brewster Farm.



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Cheryl 'Cherie' Parsons

Cheryl "Cherie" Parsons, of New London died Friday, Sept. 18, 2026 at BEL Oaks of Country View Nursing Home in Bowling Green with her husband Gordon "Mike" Parsons and some family by her side.

Cherie was born Nov. 12, 1943 in Hannibal to William "Bill" K. and Lois Turner Epperson.

Survivors include Cherie's husband of 43 years, Gordon "Mike" Parsons of New London; three half sisters, Catherine Griffen Pence and husband, Richard of Frankford, Holly Griffen Bell and husband, Wayne of Centralia, and Berna Raye Epperson Decker of Arkan-

sas; four step sisters, Jeanna Nelson Jozaitis and husband, Patrick of Saverton, April Griffen Waugh and husband, Logan of Queen City, Carrie Griffen of Hannibal, Daisy Skelly and husband, Doug of St. Peters; two half brothers, Walter Griffen and wife, Kathy of Unionville, Scott Griffen and wife, Laura of Saverton; two step brothers, Gary Nelson and wife, Chris of New London, Brian Griffen and wife, Lorna of Washington; two step-children, Chad Parsons of New London, and Amber Parsons of Center. Cherie has many nieces and nephews, great-nieces and -nephews, great-great-nieces and -nephews, and more cousins than anyone can name from the Epperson family, Griffen family, Tate Family, Turner family, and Nelson family.

She was preceded in

death by her mother, Lois Nelson; step-fathers, John P. Griffen Sr., and Ray Nelson; father, William K. Epperson; a brother, Cecil "Butch" K. Epperson; one half-brother, John "Jaybird" Griffen Jr.; a step brother, Donald Nelson; and a half-sister, Virgie Oneta Epperson Nichols of St. Louis.

Cherie worked for years at Standard Printing Co., in Hannibal as a linotype operator. She had her own nail and hair saloon in New London for awhile. In her later years, Cherie loved making jewelry and giving them away to make others happy. She loved to shop, especially at different Good Will stores. Cherie loved her dogs and cats. In her younger years, Cherie was an avid mushroom hunter and could spot a mushroom a mile away. Most of all, Cherie loved her family and

she did not view any family members as half siblings or step siblings, just siblings.

Cherie did not want a funeral. Family and friends gathered Saturday from 12-3 p.m., at Hydesburg Methodist Church in New London for a potluck meal and to celebrate Cherie's life which was requested by her husband, Mike.

Charles 'Gene' Rose

Charles Eugene "Gene" Rose, 82, of Middletown died Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2026, at Avenir at Maple Grove in Louisiana.

Gene was born Aug. 11, 1944, in Eolia, the son of Charles Elmer and Dema Ruth Kuntz Rose. He grew up in Whiteside, attending Clopton School where he enjoyed playing basketball. Following school he began

working with his father doing highway construction. He worked as a heavy equipment operator for Magruder Construction. He was an owner and operator of two concrete plants and an over the road truck driver at the end of his career. Gene enjoyed watching football and basketball, especially at the collegiate level and he loved attending circle track racing in Pevely.

Charles leaves behind a son, Charles "Chuck" Rose Jr., of Middletown; two granddaughters, Selina and Savannah. Charles had two brothers, Ronnie Rose and wife, Trisha of Fredericktown, and Earl Rose and wife, Robin of Bowling Green; and one brother-in-law, Dean Reid of Bowling Green. Also 12 nieces and nephews along with numerous extended family.

He was preceded in death

by his parents, three sisters, Beatrice, Ruth Ann, Mary Jo; and one brother, Gary.

Pallbearers will be Justin Rose, Jeff Cashman, BJ Hamlett, Wayne Rose, Clay Rose, and Earl Rose.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m., Tuesday today at Greenlawn Cemetery in Bowling Green.

The family is being served by Bibb-Veach Funeral Home & Crematory in Bowling Green.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

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Scotts Reel Mower; Large Ceramic Dog
Battery Jump Pack And Mini Air Compressors
Metal 2 Chair Patio Set
Set Of 4 Nice Kitchen Chairs And Harvest Table
Collection Of Old Wash Boards
Collection Of Old Rug Beaters
Casio Electric Key Board
Lots Of Jars Of Old Buttons
Set Of Old Busch Stadium Final Season Glasses
Lot Of Cartoon Glasses; Lot Picture Frames
Excell 2000 PSI Power Washer W/Honda Engine
Full Glass Christmas Ornaments
Wicker Sewing Box On Legs
Large Roll Around Fan
Simpson 3400 PSI Pressure Washer W/ Kohler Engine
Engine Stand On Wheels AC Delco
Large Screw Jack On Stand
Triple Beam Balance Scale;
Galvanized Water Can; #1 Dad Grill Kit
Coleman 2 Mantle Lantern W/Wooden Box
2-Burner Propane Stove In Wooden Box (Has Legs)

Large Window Fan
Heavy Duty Dolly
Cen-Tech 6/12 V Auto Battery Charger
Honda EG1400X Generator
1 Ton Chain Hoist
Senix Chain Saw; Set Of Pipe Wrenches
Trailer Hitch
Pro-Temp 75,000 BTU Kerosene Heater
Stihl BG 35 Leaf Blower W/Attachment 2
Lot Of Misc. New Belts
Briggs 319CC 8HP Engine (Works)
Briggs Snow Series 900 Engine (Works)
CB Radio W/Extras; Lots Of Grease
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Lot Of Oil Filters, Oil Cans Ect.
Boy Scout Hatchet; Log Chains
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Several Sets Of Sockets
Several Animal Foot Traps
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Coin Inventory

- 1. Choice Of 10 US Proof Sets 1984-1993
- 2. Choice Of 7 US Mint Proof Sets 1999-2005
- 3. 1863 Indian Hd Cent
- 4. 1897 And 1901 Indian Hd Cents
- 5. 1853 Seated Quarter And 1893 Barber Quarter (Both Low Grade)
- 6. 1908-O Barber Half
- 7. Choice Of 3 Barber Quarters 1894-O – 1904 – 1913-D
- 8. Choice Of 4 Seated Liberty Quarters 1854 With And Without Arrows – 1876 – 1877
- 9. Choice Of 4 Low Grade Seated Dimes, 1838 With Hole – 1877 – 2-1887

- 10. Complete Set Of Jefferson Nickels 1938-1964-D
- 11. Incomplete Set Of Mercury Dimes 1916-1945 — 57 Pcs.
- 12. Choice Of 2-Lincoln Cent Books Both Start 1941 (Incomplete)
- 13. Book Of 22 Jefferson Nickels And 7 Buffalo Nickels (All Are One Money)
- 14. Complete Set Of Jefferson Nickels 1938-1961-D
- 15. Partial Set Of Roosevelt Dimes 18-90% Silver – 20 Clad (All Are One Money)
- 16. 1965-1981-D Washington Quarters (29 Pcs)
- 17. 1965-1977 Washington Quarters (18 Pcs)
- 18. Book Of 7-Indian Hd Cents
- 19. Book Of 27-Indian Hd. Cents
- 20. Book Of 64 Clad Roosevelt Dimes 1980-2014-P
- 21. Native American Dollar 2009-D Observe Mint Mark
- 22. 6-Native American Dollars Unc. 2017-P – 2019-P – 2022-D – 2-2024-D – 2024-P
- 23. 16-Various Date Native American Dollars
- 24. Mary Edwards Walker 2024-D Quarter Unc-60
- 25. Susan B. Anthony Dollar 1979-D Unc-60
- 26. Celia Cruz Quarter 2024-P Unc-60
- 27. 5-Big Presidential Dollars
- 28. 17-Presidential \$1 Coins
- 29. 4-Presidential \$1 Coins And 1-2024-P Native American Coin
- 30. 4-24-K Gold Plated Buffalo Nickels
- 31. 4-Wheat Cents 1913-S, 1926 And 2-1943 Steel Cents
- 32. Bureau Of Engraving And Printing Series Of 1995 Uncut \$1 Federal Reserve Notes
- 33. Choice Of 12-Peace Dollars 4-1922, 2-1923, 2-1924, 2-1925, 2-1926
- 34. 1878-P First Yr Morgan
- 35. Choice Of 3-1880-P Morgans
- 36. Choice Of 3 1881-Morgans 2-O Mint, 1-P Mint
- 37. Choice Of 3-1882-P Morgans Unc.
- 38. Choice Of 6-1883 Morgans 3-O Mint, 2-S Mint, 1-P Mint
- 39. Choice Of 3 1884 Morgans 1-P Mint, 2-S Mint
- 40. Choice Of 3-1885-P Morgans AU
- 41. Choice Of 1886-P MS Or 1886-O Morgan
- 42. Choice Of 3-1887 Morgans 2-O Mint, 1-P Mint AU
- 43. 1888-O Morgan
- 44. 2-1889-O Morgans And 1889-P Morgan AU
- 45. Choice Of 4-1890 Morgans 2-P Mint, 2-O Mint
- 46. Choice Of 3 1891 Morgans 2-O Mint, 1-P Mint
- 47. 1897-S Morgan
- 48. Choice Of 3-1900-O Morgans 1 Is MS
- 49. 1900-P Morgan AU
- 50. 1901-O Morgan
- 51. Choice Of 1902-P Or 1902-O Morgan
- 52. Choice Of 18-1921 Morgans Various Mint Marks
- 53. Choice of 3 1896 Morgans, 2-O Mint, 1 P Mint

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Vandalia Prairie Days

Trib photos by Nancy Case



Deputies from the Audrain County Sheriff's Office are pictured on duty at the 2026 Prairie Days in Vandalia.



The LaFemme Ladies Club sang God Bless American during the Vandalia Prairie Days parade on Saturday, Sept. 26.



Tyler Schambach leads the way for the Van-Fan Alumni and Friends during the 2026 Prairie Days in Vandalia on Saturday, Sept. 26.



Soulful Sips and Stacy's Cakes were some of the vendors for Prairie Days in Vandalia on Saturday, Sept. 26.



CSB Donates To Fitzsimmons Statue

Community State Bank of Missouri's CEO Paul Hill, along with employees Britany Hall, Ashley Sloan and Jessica Mey, presented the Pike County Genealogical Society board along with Bowling Green Mayor Tom Thompson with a \$5,000 check to benefit the Cotton Fitzsimmons Memorial Statue that will be erected on the corner of Court and Main Streets on the southwest lot of the square in Bowling Green. Board members and employees of Community State Bank have always promoted hometown pride within the communities we serve. Being able to contribute funds to help promote the Bowling Green High School graduate is just one more way the bank can continue to show their hometown pride. While Cotton Fitzsimmons holds numerous accolades across a decorated career, two of his biggest are, he currently sits at number 10 on the list of winningest coaches in NBA history and in 2021 he was posthumously inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.



Pictured are some of the little girls who showed off their dance moves on Saturday, Sept. 26 during the evening entertainment at Vandalia Prairie Days.



Van-Far Class Of 1969 Reunion

The Van-Far class of 1969 held its 57th class reunion Friday, Sept. 24 at The Junction in Perry. Those attending, front row (l-r): Rex Moore, Harold Williams, Joyce Holt, Mary Keeney, Janet Ashlock, Joyce Holman, Barbara Critchfield, and Anna Lee Flowers. Second row: Steve Brookshier, Kevin Belshe, Dennis Atkinson, Ken Eisle, Marvin Heaton, Judy Cloussin, Judy Hammett, Joy Davis, Linda Frazee, Pat Trower, Barbara Clark, Bill Moore, Gerard Lowrance, and Gene Brown. Third row: Karen Pennington, Phyllis Bigelow, Coy Cummins, David Nutt, and Eddie Griggs. Attending but not pictured is Gordon Teague.



Vandalia Class Of 1958 Reunion

The Vandalia High School Class of 1958 gathered Friday, Sept. 25, at The Junction Restaurant in Perry for their 68th class reunion. Fifteen classmates and 10 family members and friends attended the special gathering. The group enjoyed a delicious lunch and a wonderful afternoon of welcoming classmates, sharing memories from their school days, and catching up on the events and experiences that have filled the years since graduation. There was plenty of laughter as old stories were remembered and new stories were shared. The gathering was a wonderful reminder of the lasting friendships and special memories created during their Vandalia High School years. Before leaving, the group made plans to meet again next year at The Junction on Sept. 24, 2027, same place, same time! Pictured, front row (l-r): Dianne Six, Jefferson City, Marilyn Burgett Vandalia, Jean Barnes, Farber; Delores Bealmear, Laddonia; Norma Galloway, Dottie Morris, Vandalia; Bonnie Ard, Bowling Green; and Ruth Hill, Columbia. Second row: Ann Kohl, Vandalia, Martha Baker, Perry; Charles Heim, Laddonia; Eugene Kirtlink, Perry; Denny Wright, Vandalia; Doris Hendricks, Montgomery City; and Bonnie Branstetter, Farber.



Van-Far Class Of 1976 Reunites

The Van-Far Class of 1976 held its 50th year class reunion on Friday, Sept. 25 at the Vandalia Country Club with a catered meal and lots of reminiscing. Pictured, front row (l-r): Mark Sutton, Cathy Coose Sutton, Valerie Foree, Sandy Davis Beckham, Janelle Orr Rippeto, Mona Overton Hale, and Debbie Workes Nolan. Second row: Second row: Jeri Stallcup Fennewald, Nan Carlson Weber, Vicki Hurshman Swarnes, Vicki Abington Padgett, Lynda Askey Thurman, Janet Yager Lynn, Charlie Jennings, Marian Davis, Becky Gooch Allen, Myrna Hildebrand Maerz, Sherry Seeley Ellis, and Tereasa Douchant Johnston. Third row: Kris Hahn, Rick Jones, Jay Boyd, Dale Hopke, Paul Ray, Ronnie Moore, Carl Ehrlich, George Shaw, Patti Williams Bloemke, Russell Branstetter, Monte Basinger, and Tom Anderson.

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