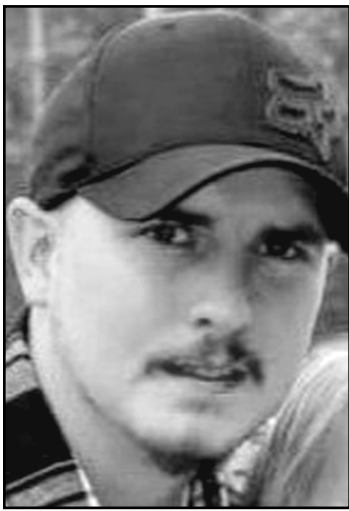


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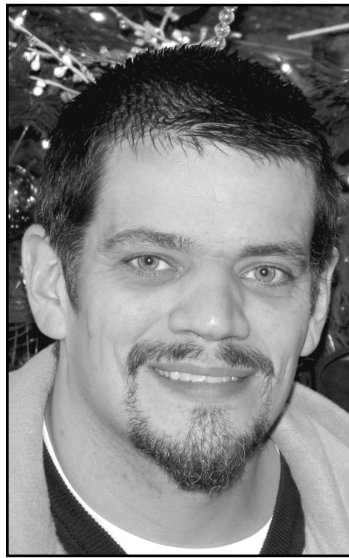
Sammie Michael Ray Nicely of Branchland

Sammie Michael Ray Nicely, 25, of Branchland, WV, passed away on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at his residence. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 10, 2017 at Morris Funeral Home Chapel, Wayne with Pastor Jason Salmons officiating. He was born on January 25, 1992 in Huntington, WV, a son of Howard Ray Nicely (Libby) of Branchland, WV and Lena Mae Lucas of the United Kingdom. He worked as a mariner for Superior Marine of South Point, Ohio. He is preceded in death by his sister Barbara Renee Nicely, Uncle James Lucas and Grandmother Clara Jane Adkins Dillon. In addition to his parents, he is survived by a daughter, Sophia Nichole Nicely of Wayne, WV, sisters Racheal Nichole Nicely of Huntington, WV, and Cara Marie Dello of Wales, UK, brother, Anthony Brad Nicely (Laura) of Branchland, WV, half-sisters, Melissa Sue Beatty (Scott) of Columbia, S.C. and Cayla Lacy Dawn Watts of Branchland, WV, half-brother, Roman Edward Watts of Prichard, WV, Grandparents Barbara and Sammie Queen, Harold Ray Nicely (Karen), a special nephew, Anthony Brad, Jr., cousin and best friend Shawn Moore, a host of nieces and nephews and a special friend, Ronnie (Nikki) Spry. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Morris Funeral Home to assist with funeral expenses. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.



George Richard "Rick" Nelson II of Lavalette

George Richard "Rick" Nelson II, 41, of Lavalette, WV passed away on Monday, April 3, 2017 at Cabell Huntington Hospital, Huntington. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Morris Funeral Home Chapel, Wayne with Pastor Jeff Lycans officiating. Private burial will follow at a later date. Rick was born on July 23, 1975 at Huntington, WV, a son of George R. Nelson and Josie Haney Nelson of Wayne. He was an electrician for Ardent Services.



Rick is preceded in death by his grandfather Harrison Nelson and grandmother Della Mae Haney. In addition to his parents, he is survived by his loving wife; Julie Zenowicz Nelson, a daughter, Lauren Pyper Nelson both of Lavalette, a sister, Della Nelson Tuttle (Jeremy) of Lexington, KY, brothers and sisters-in-law, Claire Bias (Terry), Heather Collins (Jerry) and Erin Pack (Erik), mother and father-in-law, Ken and Marsha Zenowicz and a host of loving nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Visitation will be held from noon until service time Saturday at the funeral home.

The family requests that friends and family prepare a handwritten memory of Rick for them to cherish.

Brandon "Bubba" Lee Boggs, Jr. of Louisa

Brandon "Bubba" Lee Boggs, Jr., 35 from Louisa, KY went to be with our Lord, April 1st 2017 at St. Mary's Medical Center, after fighting a courageous battle with a long term illness. Brandon was loved by everyone who had the privilege of meeting him. His laughter would fill up a room, a "gentle giant" some would say, with a heart of gold. More than anything Brandon loved being a devoted husband to Beth and a loving father to Aedriana. He appreciated the simple things in life and always stayed true to the values his mother instilled in him. Before becoming ill, Brandon was a machinist at RPM, in Boyd County, KY. Brandon was preceded in death by grandfathers Martin Edison Boggs, Fred Thomas Conley, a beloved grandmother Mary Lee Conley and brother-in-law William Leslie Whitmore, Jr., and father-in-law William Leslie Whitmore, Sr.



He is survived by his adoring wife Beth Ann Whitmore-Boggs, a daughter Aedriana Nicole Whitmore-Boggs, his mother Barbara Ellen Boggs Frazier, father Johnny Ray Clemens, step-father Tony Curtis Frazier, mother-in-law Nancy Ann Whitmore, father-in-law Kendall John Shields. His sisters: Summer Dawn Fugitt Pugh, fiancé Vito Hall, Marilea Fugitt, fiancé Larry Gilmore, Jr., Melissa Sue Fugitt, sisters-in-law: Emily Ann Whitmore Shields, Brittne McCole Whitmore, and brothers-in-law Donald

Whitmore and his wife Lisa, and James Perry Whitmore. He was surrounded by numerous nieces and nephews that he loved to spend time with. Our family would like to thank each and every person who extended their thoughts, prayers and kindness throughout this difficult time. May God Bless each of you. Brandon's life will be celebrated by family and friends at a service yet to be announced. Services will be held at Reger Funeral Home and Chapel, 1242 Adams Avenue Huntington, WV.

Sheila Lynn McGranahan of Louisa

Sheila Lynn McGranahan, 50, of Louisa, Kentucky passed away Monday, April 3, 2017 at Cabell Huntington Hospital after an extended illness. Sheila was born May 15, 1966 in Wooster, Ohio a daughter of Ruby Newsome Watts and the late Elmer Watts.



Sheila was a homemaker. In addition to her father, Elmer Watts, she was preceded in death by her husband, Rick McGranahan.

Survivors include, one daughter, Callie McGranahan of Louisa, Kentucky; mother, Ruby Watts of Fort Gay, WV; sister, Ruby Ann Watts of Fort Gay, WV; brothers, Elmer (Sally) Watts of West Liberty, KY.; David (Angel) Watts of Fort Gay, WV; mother in law and father in law, Tina and Charles McGranahan of Louisa, Kentucky; and Sheila's couch buddy, Danielle Watts.

The family would like to express a special thanks to the nursing staff at Cabell Huntington Hospital and to a very special friend, Candi.

Funeral services will be conducted 3:00pm Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Young Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Keith Crum officiating. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Louisa, Kentucky. Visitation will be 6-9 pm Friday, April 7, 2017 at Young Funeral Home. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.youngfuneralhomeinc.com

David Anthony Summers of Huntington

David Anthony Summers, 59, of Huntington, W.Va., passed away Monday, April 3, 2017 at Cabell Huntington Hospital. He was born November 20, 1957 at Chicago, Ill., a son of the late Robert and Bettie Summers. His brother Jeff Summers also preceded him in death.

He leaves behind his sister, Nancy (Paul) Bass; one nephew, Andy bass, all of Knoxville, Tenn.; one niece Tabatha Summers of Humboldt, Tenn.; and aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and family too numerous to mention.

Private arrangements entrusted to Johnson Tiller Funeral Home.

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in 2004 that designates September 17 as Constitution Day and Citizenship Day.

It is reasonable, however, to question the extent to which West Virginia's Legislature should dictate to the public school system what to teach and how to teach it. The Department of Education maintains considerable autonomy and, in theory at least, is governed by the state Board of Education and local school boards.

If the bill becomes law, there will no doubt be some grousing by civics teachers who already devote considerable time to the founding documents or resent being told by politicians what is best way to teach government and history.

That's understandable, but the values and principles of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence are the bedrock of our country and our culture. Comprehending them is the key to truly knowing what it means to be a citizen of this country.

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On March 2, on MSNBC's "Morning Joe", Mika Brzezinski interviewed a former top Obama administration official who acknowledged efforts by "colleagues" to gather intelligence on Trump's ties to Russia before Donald Trump took office and to "conceal the sources of that intelligence from the incoming administration."

In the interview, Evelyn Farkas, the former administration's top Russian expert, described a "rush to spread the material before Trump took office," citing fear that if the Trump team became wise, information would quickly be cut off.

Predictably, liberal Democrats and the mainstream media have attempted to deflect the real story of illegal wiretapping and sharing of information with a bogus narrative suggesting the Russians influenced the 2016 presidential election.

Yet, not an ounce of proof has been submitted that the Russians influenced a single vote in the election.

If the Obama administration committed a premeditated act to acquire intelligence on Donald Trump, and the required privacy protections were not enacted before disseminating, the Justice Department must hold them accountable.

Democrats may, indeed, have "re-enacted the villainy" of Watergate, with this so-called Trumpgate.

If so, indictments and jail time should be forthcoming.

Mark Caserta is a conservative blogger and a Cabell County resident.

Alice Lambert Kitts of Fort Gay

Alice Lambert Kitts, of Fort Gay, WV went to be with her Lord on her 100th birthday April 5, 2017, with her family by her side. Alice was born April 5, 1917 in Radnor, WV a daughter of the late James and Laura Thompson Lambert.



Alice retired after many years of service for Doby's Cleaners in Louisa, Ky. She was a faithful member at New Friendship Baptist Church. She had a love for animals, and truly loved to garden, can vegetables, and play bingo. Alice loved visiting with her family and friends.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by husband, Strother Fitzpatrick and her second husband Herbert Kitts; one sister, Pearl Lambert Kitts; brother, James Lambert Jr.

Survivors include, niece, Peggy Lambert Noe of Franklin, Ky.; step daughters, Barbara Kitts Brown and Jeannie Kitts Grant both of Las Vegas, Nevada; 6 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, and 7 great great grandchildren; 4 great nieces and nephews, 7 great great nieces and nephews.

Alice's belief on having a long blessed life was "doing unto others as you would have them do unto you".

Celebration of life services were conducted 1:00 pm Friday, April 7, 2017 at Young Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Gary Robertson officiating. Burial followed at the Fitzpatrick Cemetery, Cliford, Ky.

Visitation was 11:00 am until time of service on Friday at Young Funeral Home Chapel.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.youngfuneralhomeinc.com

Diana Sue Adkins of Louisa

Diana Sue Adkins, age 61, of Louisa, passed away Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at Three Rivers Medical Center in Louisa.



Born September 9, 1955, in New Castle, Indiana, she was a daughter of the late Hobert and Sadie Lucille Keaton Adkins. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Ronald Allen Adkins and Tony Jay Adkins; and one nephew, Bradley Michael Neal.

She is survived by two sisters, Patricia Ann Adkins of Louisa and Debra Lynn Adkins of Olive Hill; three nephews, Jamie Ray (Heather) Adkins, Daniel Allen Adkins, and Matthew Taylor Adkins; three great nephews, Jamie Ray Adkins, Jr., Landon Andrew Ice, and Taylor Blake Adkins; one great niece, Allie Rae Adkins; a special family friend, Penny; and Diana Sue's dedicated caregivers throughout the years. She also leaves behind extended family and many friends.

Diana Sue loved animals, photography, bowling, crafts, meeting people, and visiting with her family and friends. She brought great joy to many and will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be Thursday, April 6, 2017, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Wilson Funeral Home, 1270 Hwy 2565, Louisa, KY 41230; a second visitation will be Friday, April 7, 2017, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Northcutt & Son Home for Funerals, 400 Fraley Drive, Morehead, KY 40351.

Graveside services was conducted 3 p.m. Friday, April 7, 2017, at Bradley Cemetery, Dry Branch Road, Soldier, KY with Brother Ray McKinley officiating.

Local Care has been entrusted to Wilson Funeral Home Louisa, Kentucky.

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Linda Parsons of the Westmoreland Chapter NSDAR presenting a certificate of thanks to Bruce Crockett for his service to our country during the Vietnam War.

Local Vietnam vet honored by NSDAR

On Thursday, April 6, Linda Parsons, Chairman of the DAR Service for Veterans Committee of the Westmoreland Chapter NSDAR, presented Bruce Crockett with a certificate to thank him for his service, valor, and sacrifice to our country during the Vietnam War.

The Westmoreland Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is always proud to honor one of our national heroes, our Veterans. Linda and Bruce served on a committee together for the WVU Wayne County

Extension Service Office in Wayne, WV, from April 4-7. It was during that time, when Linda learned that Bruce, a 4-H Volunteer who coaches the Wayne Sharp Shooters 4-H Club, had served in the Navy during Vietnam. The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution thanks all service men and women for giving them the freedoms they enjoy.

Submitted by Linda Parsons: 300 Bee Branch Rd., Wayne, WV

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