

COMMUNITY

Meadowview Regional Medical Center Achieves Elite National Status as a Straight- 'A' For Patient Safety

FIVE CONSECUTIVE 'A' GRADES DEMONSTRATE THE HOSPITAL'S DEDICATION TO PATIENTS

Meadowview Regional Medical Center ("MRMC") was awarded an "A" Hospital Safety Grade for the fifth consecutive time by The Leapfrog Group, an independent national nonprofit watchdog focused on patient safety. This designates MRMC as a "Straight A" hospital, defined as hospitals that have an A for fall 2025 and have sustained that grade for the last five or more grading rounds. This select group represents around 12% of all eligible hospitals.

"Meadowview Regional Medical Center is proud to be recognized for a fifth time with this significant achievement that places our hospital among the top in the country for patient safety," said Kathy Vancampen, RRT, MSM, CEO and market president of Meadowview Regional Medical Center. "This grade reflects the daily efforts of our entire team to deliver care that prioritizes patient safety at every level. I'm grateful to our staff, physicians, board members, and volunteers for their continued focus on doing what's best for our patients and community."

The Leapfrog Group assigns an "A," "B," "C," "D" or "F" grade to all general hospitals across the country based on over 30 measures of errors, accidents, injuries and infections as well as the systems hospitals have in place to prevent them.

"My sincere congratulations to Meadowview Regional Medical Center for upholding patient safety standards through thick and thin, achieving an 'A' Hospital Safety Grade for five consecutive rounds of the Safety Grade," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "Consistently earning an A demonstrates a long-term, organization-wide commitment to putting patient safety first."

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade is the only hospital ratings program focused exclusively on preventable medical errors, injuries and infections that can lead to harm or even death. The grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. Grades are updated twice annually, in the fall and spring.

To see MRMC's full grade details and to find essential patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit HospitalSafetyGrade.org. Connect with The Leapfrog Group on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram, and

stay updated through The Leapfrog Group newsletter.

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About Meadowview Regional Medical Center affiliated with Lifepoint Health

Meadowview Regional Medical Center, part of Lifepoint Health, is located along the Ohio River in Maysville, Kentucky and provides services to the Buffalo Trace region and southern Ohio. A 100-bed acute care facility, Meadowview Regional Medical Center offers a wide range of services including Allergy, Anesthesia, Interventional Cardiology, Emergency Medicine, Gastroenterology, General Surgery, Hematology/Oncology, Hospitalist, Internal Medicine, Interventional Pain, Nephrology, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Otolaryngology, Pathology, Pediatrics, Podiatry, Pulmonology, Radiation Therapy, Radiology and Sleep Medicine, and Urology. Meadowview Regional Medical Center success in providing quality care and patient safety and satisfaction has allowed it to maintain its accreditation with The Joint Commission, receive Chest Pain Accreditation with PCI through the American College of Cardiology and achieve designation as a LifePoint Health National Quality Leader. For more information about Meadowview Regional Medical Center, please call (606) 759-5311 or visit MeadowviewRegional.com. For more information about Lifepoint Health, visit www.lifepointhealth.net.

About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey and new Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the life-saving information they need to make informed decisions. The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

KIMBERLY JOHNSON



Kimberly Johnson, 64, of Ewing, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, December 31, 2025, after a long and valiant battle with cancer.

Cherished wife of Delbert Johnson for 38 years and beloved mother to her eight children, she was the epicenter of life in the Johnson family. In her home and her life, she led with kindness, love, faith, perseverance and wisdom. She was the keeper of hearts and the keeper of calendars, she was tough love and tight hugs. She was quick to encourage big dreams or offer a bit of sage advice and had a mother's penchant for knowing which one was needed in every situation. The ache of her loss highlights the love and beauty she brought into the world and her impact on every soul she encountered.

Kim was born in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1961 to Clair Damon Boggs and Betty Jo Jordan Boggs, as the third of four children. After graduation from Batavia High School, Kim proceeded to attend the University of Cincinnati and Wilmington College studying architecture and design. After graduation she joined the workforce and alongside her husband, started their own trucking company. This was the first of several business ventures together that impacted the lives of many in their community. While she was proud of each of these endeavors, County Concrete in Flemingsburg, Kentucky remained the crown jewel of her time as a business owner.

Outside of work, she was a dedicated member of Community Family Church in Independence, Kentucky. Always quick to volunteer, she dedicated her life to leading others, and specifically children, into the arms of Jesus Christ. She was happiest with her hands covered in dirt and was known for growing and preserving a prolific garden. Her deeply creative soul found a place to thrive in crafts, food and her farm.

Kim was a devoted mother to Billie Jo Wood (Jeremy, Virginia, Nikolas), Dallas Johnson (Sally, Brylee, Harlyn, Everley), Farmer Johnson (Samantha, Hunter, Adelaine, Calvin, Fisher, Forrester), John Johnson (Savannah), Sam Johnson (Daisy), Danielle Johnson, Gavin Johnson and JB Johnson. She was preceded in death by her mother Betty Boggs, her father C. Damon Boggs and her brother, John Boggs. She is survived by her husband, Delbert Johnson, her children and her sisters, Bobbi Bryant (Matthew) and Debbie Reardon (John).

The funeral service will begin at 1 p.m., Friday, January 9, 2026, at Boone-Nickell Funeral Home with Pastor Tom Bates officiating.

Kim will be laid to rest in Elizaville Cemetery.

Pallbearers include Dallas Johnson, Farmer Johnson, John Johnson, Sam Johnson, Gavin Johnson, J. B. Johnson, and Jeremy Wood.

Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, January 8, 2026, at the Community Family Church located at 11875 Taylor Mill Road, Independence KY 41051. Additional visitation will be 11 a.m., until the hour of service at 1 p.m., Friday, at Boone-Nickell located at 150 West Water Street in Flemingsburg.

Friends may offer online condolences at www.boonenickellfuneralhome.com

NANCIE HOPE MERS



Nancie Hope Mers, 76, of Wallingford, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, with family by her side. She was the widow of the Kenneth C. "Kenny" Mers.

Born in Maysville on February 11, 1949, Hope was the daughter of the late Stanley D. Martin and the late Dorothy Nash Martin.

A 1967 graduate of Mason County High School, Hope worked at the Farmers Deposit Bank in Flemingsburg later known as Community Trust Bank. She held many roles over her 28 years at the bank and always met everyone with a smile and was kind to everyone she met.

Hope enjoyed cooking and baking for her family and specialized in deserts and candies around the holidays. She enjoyed spending time in her garden and flower beds and canning her vegetables. She also enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with her children and grand children, sun bathing by the pool or swinging on the porch, singing at church and with the Golden Chords or sewing and making clothes to making repairs, reading, traveling, cross stitching and had many other

talents and hobbies. She enjoyed singing at church and was a member of the Antioch Church of Christ.

She is survived by her two children, Angie Mineer and husband Mark, Matt Mers and wife Miranda; her three grandchildren, Austin (Hayley) Mineer, Skylar (Wesley) Weaver, and Matti (Connor) Dales; and her two great grandchildren, River and Saige. She is also survived by her two sisters, Penny (Dale) Hickman and Sandra (Michael) Curtis; along with many extended family members and friends.

In addition to Kenny, her husband of 56 years who passed in 2023; her mother Dorothy; her father Stanley; Hope was preceded in death by her brother, Stanley H. Martin and her sister-in-law, Nellie Martin.

The funeral service will begin at 11 a.m., Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at Boone-Nickell Funeral Home with Bro. Willie Martin officiating.

Hope will be laid to rest in Mount Carmel Cemetery.

Pallbearers include Austin Mineer, Mark Mineer, Dustin Groom, Matt Mers, Shawn Fearin, and Jeff Martin. Honorary pallbearers include Michael Curtis and Dale Hickman.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, January 5th, at Boone-Nickell located at 150 West Water Street, Flemingsburg, Ky. 41041.

In place of flowers, please consider a donation in memory of Hope to Sugarloaf Christian Camp (C/O Willie Martin, 647 Prater Road, Wallingford, KY 41093).

Friends may offer online condolences at www.boonenickellfuneralhome.com

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
AMY SAUNDERS
FLEMING COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK
ADVERTISED JANUARY 7, 2026

Notice is hereby given that the following settlements were filed in the Fleming District Court for Approval, any objections to the settlements shall be presented and heard by the Fleming District Court on January 15, 2025 @ 9:00 A.M.

DECEDENT	SETTLEMENT	FIDUCIARY
Shirley Worthington	Final	Priscilla Crump
		Amy M. Saunders, Fleming Co. Circuit Clerk

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ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

HOMESTEAD/DISABILITY EXEMPTION

Anyone who is 65 years of age or older OR drawing disability payments may be eligible for the Homestead/ Disability exemption on their place of residence.

For further information on qualifications, please contact the Fleming County Property Valuation Office in the basement of the Courthouse. Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m to 4:30 p.m. You may call 606-845-1401.

Stephanie Hardin
Fleming County PVA

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HUGE AUCTION

Rt. 52 Ripley, Oh. 45167

Open For Inspection Mon-Sat. 10:00-2:00

1 Acre Building Full!!!

Sun. Jan. 11th 10:00

Take Uchiha TB175 Excavator

JD 26G Mini- Case TR270 Skid Steer-Toro STX26 Stump Grinder- 2014

Honda Pioneer SXS- 2012 Chevy Cruze- 2005 Dodge Dakota 4x4- More Coming In

Tables Full of Hand & Power Tools- DeWalt- Milwaukee & Others- Scaffolding- Ladders-

Come Out & Look or See Web Site

Guns From Private Collection- Call or See Web For List

Antiques- Household & Furniture

Indian Head Pennies- Paper Money- & Other Coins- Old Pocket Watches

New Building Material- Lots of Items Come & Look!!!

All Sold As Is- 1st Time writing a Check Bring Bank Letter of Guarantee Announcements made day of Sale take precedence over any printed material.

4% if paying by CC. Items may be picked up later.

Absentee Bids Welcome

Towler's Auction Service Inc.

Randy Myers Auctioneer

513-315-4360

Towlersauctioninc.com

Upcoming Auction Sun. Jan. 18th Ripley Appox 100 Guns

Thank You

The family of Steven "Stevie" Call wish to express our deep appreciation of those who have offered support and kindness during our time of loss. Whether you called, texted, set a card, food or flowers, made a donation in his name, came to pay respects, or shared a story or memory with us; we will never forget the acts of kindness that continue to be of comfort to us in our time or sorrow. A special thank you to Hutton Funeral Home for arranging the services, and Greg Grimes and Gerald Saunders for the comfort provided by your words. We would also like to thank the pallbearers for their service and honor. A special thanks to Stevie's home health nurses and the staff at Fleming County Hospital for always taking such good care of him.

Winterfest

The Mt. Pisgah Church and Morehead Area Churches will host Winterfest at the Morehead Conference Center, January 19th - 23rd featuring Calvin Ray Evans, Brian Bauer, Mike Blanton and Evidence, The Yates Family and Garret and Kailee Fitch. Service time each evening will be 7:00 p.m. Questions, contact Tim Eldridge at (606) 776-3436. Everyone is welcome to attend. Pastor, Adam Cooper.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS OF FLEMING COUNTY

JANUARY 1 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28 IS THE PERIOD FOR LISTING YOUR REAL ESTATE FOR ASSESSMENT FOR PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2026. THE ASSESSMENT DATE FOR REAL AND TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY IS JANUARY 1 AS REQUIRED BY KRS 132.20.

REAL ESTATE INCLUDES

FARMS, HOUSES AND LOTS, MOBILE HOMES, VACANT LAND AND COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS. ANYONE WHO HAS BUILT A NEW STRUCTURE OR MADE AN ADDITION, DELETION, OR IMPROVEMENT TO AN EXISTING STRUCTURE ON THEIR PROPERTY SHOULD INFORM THE PVA OFFICE OF THOSE CHANGES.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

PERSONS WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR 2023 SHOULD MAKE APPLICATION DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY. PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS EXEMPTION MUST BE AT LEAST 65 YEARS OF AGE DURING THE 2026 TAX YEAR, OR BE TOTALLY DISABLED AND PRESENT EVIDENCE THAT THEY ARE RECEIVING DISABILITY COMPENSATION FROM ANY TYPE OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM. ALL APPLICANTS MUST OWN AND OCCUPY THEIR RESIDENCE. APPLICATION MAY BE MADE ANY TIME DURING 2026.

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY INCLUDES

MERCHANTS INVENTORIES, BUSINESS FURNITURE AND FIXTURES, PROFESSIONAL TRADE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT, MANUFACTURERS FINISHED GOODS, MANUFACTURERS RAW MATERIALS AND GOODS IN PROCESS, MOTOR VEHICLES HELD FOR SALE, GOODS STORED IN WAREHOUSES AND AIRPLANES. THIS FILING DATE IS JANUARY 1ST THROUGH MAY 15TH. ALL TANGIBLE PROPERTY TAX RETURNS POST-MARKED AFTER MAY 15TH WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE REVENUE CABINET OMITTED SECTION FOR BILLING WITH 10% PENALTY AS REQUIRED BY KRS 132.290.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE FLEMING COUNTY PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

(606) 845-1401

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FLEMING COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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