Obituaries

RICKY BURNS

Ricky Joe Burns, 70, husband of Connie Burns, of Harrodsburg, died Saturday, Sept. 26, 2026.

Born Sept. 26, 1956, in Harrodsburg, he was the son of the late William Kenneth Burns and Anna Mae Lambert Burns Lunsford.

He was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, include: one brother, Leon Burns.

A graveside service will be held, today, Thursday, Oct. 1, at 1 p.m., at Spring Hill Cemetery, section 21.

Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home, Inc. and Cremation Services in charge of arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.alexanderandroyalty.com.

FRANCES FAIN

Frances Christine Fain, 70, died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2026, at the Harrodsburg Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Born Nov. 30, 1955, in Versailles, she was the daughter of the late Raymond Harris Fain and Hazel Bell Pruitt Fain.

She was a Woodford County High School graduate and retired as the assistant manager of the McDonald's in Harrodsburg.

Survivors include: one daughter, Melissa Nelson (Kenny); three sisters, Sheila Newman, Thelma Blevins and Donna Hopper; one brother, Ronnie Fain and three grandsons.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Grovie Fain and Robert Bogie and one granddaughter, Sahara Nelson.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Sept. 28, at Ritchie & Peach Funeral Home with Bro. Joey Hightower officiating. Cremation followed the service.

Honorary pallbearers were Ronnie Fain, Anthanay Nelson, Jordin Nelson, Travas Nelson, Kenny Nelson, Eric Hamner and Billy Nelson.

Arrangements by Ritchie & Peach Funeral Home in Lawrenceburg.

Expressions of sympathy can be sent to the family at www.ritchieandpeach.com.

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TRACY HAMILTON

Tracy Hamilton, of Harrodsburg, died Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026, at the James B. Haggin Ephraim McDowell Hospital.

Born Nov. 25, 1967 he was the son of James S. Hamilton and the late Altha Jo Hamilton

He was a graduate of Marion County High School and was a forage and livestock research technician for the University of Kentucky ag research farm, was a former member of St. Andrew Catholic Church, the Mercer County Cattlemen's Association and the Mercer County Farm Bureau board of directors.

Survivors, in addition to his father, include: one son, Matthew (Darilyn) Clay Hamilton of Harrodsburg; one daughter, Emily Marie Hamilton of Harrodsburg, former wife, Doris Jones Hamilton; one sister, Maura Hamilton Clark; two granddaughters and several nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Keith Hamilton.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 30, at Bosley Funeral Home with Rev. Tobe Yankey officiating. Burial was in St. Dominic Cemetery in Springfield.

Pallbearers were Richard Hamilton, Dakota Clark, Hunter Clark, David Clark, Eddie Lyvers and David Jones.

JAMES THURMAN

James Ray Thurman, 82, widower of Onita Marie Lyons, of Harrodsburg, died Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026, at his home.

Born April 2, 1944, in Lawrenceburg, he was the son of the late Charles Adam and Mary Isabelle (Jackson) Thurman.

He was a Lincoln Institute High School in Simpsonville graduate, was employed by the Trane Company in Lexington and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include: four daughters, Candace Yvette (Stephon) Watkins of Lexington, Leigh Anne (Eric) Hayes of Lexington, Marceline Sue (Kenton) Bottoms of Lawrenceburg and Jacquelyn Ross Thurman of Cincinnati, Ohio; one son, James Farnada Lyons of Cincinnati, Ohio; one sister, Norma Stockdal of Florida; two brothers, Charles Thurman of Lexington and Ricky Thurman of Florida; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one step son, Kenneth Carver Lyons, one grandson, Derrick Watkins and one sister, Jo Anna Stallard.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 23, at First Baptist Church with Bro. Randall Bartleson officiating.

Burial was in the Maple Grove Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Myron Hereford, Tilton Bradshaw, Nick R. Yeast I, Kenton Bottoms II and William D. Thurman. Honorary pallbearers were Kenneth Jones, Larry Andrews, Clifford Cunningham, Kenny Lofton, Freddy Brown and Johnny Pigg.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.simsfuneralservices.com.

TREVOR WEISSROCK

Trevor Allan Weissrock, 31, husband of Allison (Griffin) Weissrock, of Harrodsburg, died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2026, at the Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville.

Born June 24, 1995, in Danville, he was the son of Stefan Weissrock and the late Melissa Carroll (Perkins) Votaw.

He loves working on cars and was one of the best mechanics around. Trevor enjoyed hunting, boats, RC airplanes and cars, trains and most of all spending time with kids.

Survivors, in addition to his wife and father, include: one son, Bentlee Weissrock of Harrodsburg; one daughter, Marci Weissrock of Harrodsburg; two sisters, Tara (Ricky) Wiessrock and Chelsea Craycraft both of Harrodsburg; two brothers, Blake Votaw and Billy (Jaimee) Votaw both of Harrodsburg; one step sister, Brittany Wilkinson; grandparents, Pat and Carroll Perkins of Harrodsburg and Stefan (Betty) Weissrock of Jeffersonville, Ind.; step father, Billy Votaw of Harrodsburg; aunt and uncle, Lee (Scott) Brogle of Harrodsburg and cousins, Slade and Dugan Brogle of Harrodsburg.

He as preceded in death by grandparents, Patrick and Linda Clark, and cousins, Lee Ann, Kyle Faith and Anna Lee Scott Brogle.

Funeral services were held 2 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25, at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel with Derek Baker officiating. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Matthew Hall, Brad Santiago, Josh Bowman, Alex Hart, Timmy Baker, Billy Votaw and Tyler Jenkins. Honorary pallbearers were Marci and Bentlee Weissrock, Blake Votaw, Slade and Dugan Brogle, Tara Weissrock and Jamie Peavler.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Bentlee and Marci's savings accounts; paid to Pat Perkins. Ransdell Funeral Chapel can offer assistance.

Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Chapel.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.ransdellfuneralchapel.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance No. 2026-10, Regarding Code Enforcement Board, was adopted on September 29, 2026, by the Mercer County Fiscal Court. A copy of the adopted ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

RD Robinson Towing, LLC

The following motor vehicle stored at 3038 Louisville Rd, Harrodsburg, KY 40330 will be sold at auction to recover towing and mechanic charges on Saturday, October 10 at 10 a.m. Titles are not warranted, subject to prior liens, all sales are final. Seller reserves right to bid. Terms of sale: Cash only.

2016 Nissan Altima owned by Terry Morby
VIN - 1N4AL3AP4GC197178

PUBLIC NOTICE

Zone Change#2026-04, property located at 1015 Lexington Rd., for Rezoning from A-1 to A-3, in Mercer County, KY, was adopted on September 29, 2026, by the Mercer County Fiscal Court. A copy of the adopted zone change with full text is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

Rezoning

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applicants would like to build a 6,000-square-foot commercial building with parking and a stormwater detention pond.

Residents of the Audubon subdivision have recently complained about flooding in the neighborhood.

Both Attorney Robert L. Gullette Jr. of Nicholasville and Monty Rhody of Rhody Engineering and Land Surveying, who represented the applicants at a public hearing held by the Harrodsburg-Mercer County Joint Planning and Zoning Commission in August, said the development could resolve flooding in the Audubon subdivision, which includes Bob-O-Link Drive.

"We'll make sure every bit of the water from this development goes into this pond," Rhody said in August.

Gullette said the neighbors would benefit from the large detention basin.

"The detention pond on this property is going to make their situation significantly better," Gullette said.

The planning and zoning commission voted to recommend the rezoning to the city commission contingent on post-runoff being decreased by 25 percent.

No one commented on the rezoning Monday. Mayor Bob Williams said the commissioners would give the ordinance second reading at their next meeting if everything is ready.

On Monday, the city commission also gave first reading to an ordinance increasing the license and net profit tax from 1.5 percent to 1.75 percent.

City officials say the recommendation came from a Bluegrass Area Development District financial needs assessment to improve the city's financial outlook.

City Commission Approves Corrective Sewer Plan

On Monday, Sept. 28, the Harrodsburg City Commission approved a corrective action plan for the city's wastewater treatment plant.

Harrodsburg has received state notices of violation for unreported sewer overflows, according to Harrodsburg Chief Administrative Officer Stacey Maynard.

In addition, the commissioners voted to pay the state $3,500 to satisfy fine requirements.

"We had some violations," Mayor Bob Williams said. Williams said the city negotiated it down from $11,000.

"I'm not saying we're getting off easy, but it is lighter," Williams said

The corrective action plan includes training new hires on reporting requirements.

"We have a lot of new people coming and going," Maynard told the Harrodsburg Herald.

Commission Gives First Reading To Data Center Amendment

At Monday's meeting, the commissioners also gave first reading to a zoning ordinance amendment recommended by the Harrodsburg-Mercer County Joint Planning and Zoning Commission that would create an Industrial Technology Zone that would allow a hyperscale data center to be built in Mercer County.

"This is a long and lengthy, in-depth ordinance," Mayor Williams said. "I don't think I want to read the whole thing."

"We have to act on that in a certain number of days, or it becomes law," City Attorney Norrice Currens said. Currens said the Mercer County Fiscal Court would vote to give the ordinance a second reading later that night.

"We will have the benefit of knowing what the fiscal court is doing," Currens said.

The fiscal court voted to send the ordinance back to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Second Reading To Burgin Planning and Zoning Agreement

The commissioners gave second reading to an interlocal agreement giving Burgin seats on both the planning and zoning commission and the board of adjustments and appeals. Once approved, the planning and zoning commission will become the Harrodsburg-Burgin-Mercer County Joint Planning and Zoning Commission and expand to 11 members. The county would appoint five members, Harrodsburg four, and Burgin two.

The Board of Adjustments and Appeals would become the Harrodsburg-Burgin-Mercer County Joint Board of Adjustments and Appeals and expand to seven members, with the county and Harrodsburg appointing three and Burgin appointing one.

The jurisdiction of both boards would include all the unincorporated land in Mercer County as well as all land within the corporate limits of Harrodsburg and Burgin.

On Monday, the city commission tabled giving second reading to an ordinance establishing a joint city and county code enforcement due to what Mayor Williams called "an issue with wording in the interlocal agreement."

Williams said attorneys were revising the agreement.

"From this point, that is on hold," he said.

Two proposed municipal orders—creating a board forms packet for the Mercer County-City of Harrodsburg Joint Code Enforcement and a job description for the code enforcement officer—are also on hold until the issue is resolved.

City Leaf Collection

The City of Harrodsburg will start collecting leaves soon. On the weeks of Oct. 19 through Oct. 23, Nov. 2 through Nov. 6 and Nov. 16 through Nov. 20, leaves will be picked up on the streets west of U.S. 127.

On the weeks of Oct. 26 through Oct. 30, Nov. 9 through Nov. 13 and Nov. 23 through Nov. 27, leaves will be picked up on the streets east of U.S. 127.

Rake leaves to the edge of the curb for collection. Bagged leaves, leaves mixed with grass clippings, trash or brush will not be picked up.

Final passes around town will be made Nov. 30 through Dec. 4. Bag any leaves left after that and place them with the garbage.

On the holidays of Nov. 11, Nov. 26 and 27, no leaves will be collected.

In other business, the Harrodsburg City Commission:

• Discussed the flashing school zone lights on Moberly Road.

Maynard said the city commission previously approved flashing school lights at roughly $22,000.

"They have not yet worked," Maynard said Monday.

She said the lights have to be programmed with a laptop at the top of the light pole. Maynard said the company, located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, would come to fix the lights for about $6,000.

"We're going to spend another $6,000 to get them working?"" asked Commissioner Marvin "Bubby" Isham.

"The bigger issue is," Maynard said, "once they're on, they're just going to flash."

Frank Lukitsch, the director of public works, said the lights could be set to work

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Mercer County Fiscal Court had first reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-11, relating to the annual budget and amendment on 9/29/26, and will have Second Reading and Adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 2026-11, relating to the annual budget and amendment, whereas Mercer County has realized unbudgeted receipts from reimbursement for repairs to Jackson Pike due to solar farm construction, budget for FY 26-27 is amended to increase the receipts of the Road Fund by $386,336, will be held 9/29/26 at 10am EST/ 9am CST at the Mercer County Courthouse. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

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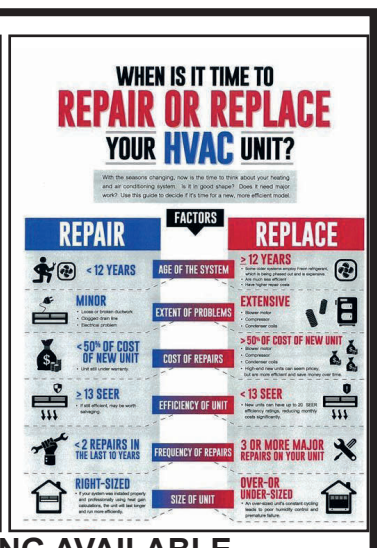

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