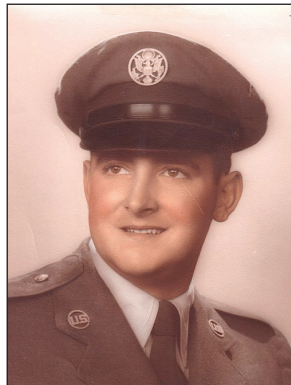


OBITUARIES

EDWARD EUGENE BASHAM



Edward Eugene Basham was called to Our Lord on April 26th, 2025. Born December 26th, 1929.

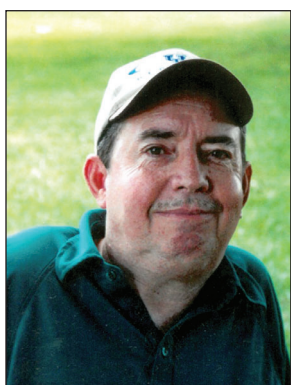
A longtime resident of Muldraugh, Ky and a former member of Holy Trinity Episcopal church Brandenburg Ky. He was an air force veteran of the Korean War, and a DoD contractor in the Viet Nam War. He was also a volunteer fire

fighter, tornado spotter and Ham radio operator, so he donated his body to science.

He was preceded in death by his parents Olin Hays, Anna Mae Basham and his sister Eunice Clayton, nephew Thomas Furrie, and granddaughter Heather Abdel-Rahman. He is survived by his wife Renate Basham of Plymouth Wisconsin. Children Anna Chenault, Edward Basham, Sandy Machamer, and Ron Basham. Four grandchildren, Richard Machamer III, Rebecca (Machamer) Dupuy, Paul Chenault and Julia (Basham) Lavin and seven great grandchildren, Delaney, Desmond, Heidi, James, Adam, Zayd, Layla.

Please make any memorial expressions as a donation to the American Cancer Society.

WAYNE DOUGLAS LOVE



Wayne Douglas Love, born on July 26, 1949, in Stephensburg, Kentucky, was called to his eternal home on May 16, 2025, at Baptist Health Hardin in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Wayne was preceded in death by his beloved father, Calvin Lee Love, and his cherished wife, Barbara Reesor Love, the love of his life.

Wayne, as he was affectionately known, was a man of remarkable strength, courage, compassion, and kindness. He was an inspiration to everyone who knew him-his love for life was contagious, and his outgoing personality meant he was never without company.

Wayne had a special way of making everyone feel seen, heard, and valued.

Wayne is lovingly remembered by his devoted daughter, Sarah (Mark) Eggleston; his cherished granddaughters, Natasha and McKenzie (C.J.); and his beloved mother, Lorene Shipley Love.

He is also survived by his sisters: Faye (Steve) Bell, Brenda (John) Erwin, Janice (Johnny) Padgett, Linda (Steve) Dalton, and Teresa (Dale) Yates; and his brothers: Ronnie (Barbara) Love, Tim Love, and Mark Love. Wayne's memory will also live on in the hearts of his many nieces, nephews, and all who knew and loved him.

Despite being stricken with polio at the age of three, Wayne never let adversity define him. He lived by his father's encouraging words: "You can do anything in life-you just have to find a way to do it differently." With determination and grace, Wayne went on to serve as a dedicated civil servant at Fort Knox for 25 years. Beyond his career, he gave back to his community as a faithful Sunday school teacher at his family's longtime church, touching lives with his quiet strength and unwavering faith.

—Wayne had a deep love for history, often immersing himself in books and documentaries that brought the past to life. He was a generous soul, supporting numerous well-known charities throughout his life. Wayne found peace and joy in the simple pleasures-spending quiet mornings fishing, tending to his garden, and "binge-watching" wholesome TV shows and movies. Above all, he treasured quality time with his family, which brought him his greatest happiness.

The funeral is at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 22, 2025, at Brown Funeral Home in Elizabethtown with Jay Boyd officiating.

A burial will follow in Elizabethtown Memorial Gardens.

Visitation begins on Wednesday evening, May 21st from 4 to 8 p.m. and continues after 11 a.m. Thursday until the time of service at the funeral home.

SFC (RET.) JOSEPH EMMETT "JOE" GREER, JR.



SFC (Ret.) Joseph Emmett "Joe" Greer, Jr., passed away on his 89th birthday, May 9, 2025, at Radcliff Veterans Center in Radcliff, KY. Joe was born on May 9, 1936, the son of Joseph Emmett, Sr., and Mamie Millholland Greer.

Joe proudly served as a member of the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict, earning a

bronze star. He retired from the Army and then continued his service as a Commonwealth Detective and former Brandenburg Chief of Police. He then served as Meade County Sheriff until his retirement in 2003. Joe was a member of Harrison Lodge 122 F.&A.M., Order of the Eastern Star Vine Grove Chapter, and a member of the Scottish Rite. He was also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, JoAnn Greer; four sisters, Mary Ruth Waters, Edith Kathryn Humphrey, Betty Jean Barger, and Margaret Adkisson; and his brother, Herman Edwin Greer. He is survived by his son, Kenneth Ray (Deborah) Greer; three grandchildren, Brittney (Cameron) Debity, Cory Love and Kendal Greer; two great grandchildren, Knox, and Nash Debity; three sisters, Martha Greer, Dorothy Sermersheim and JoAnn Willett.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, May 15, 2025, at the chapel of Hager Funeral Home with Rev. Terry Mullins officiating. A burial, with full military honors, will follow in Cap Anderson Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 2:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Wednesday and from 9:00 AM until the time of service on Thursday. Masonic Funeral Rites will be held at 6:00 PM on Wednesday evening. Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to Kosair for Kids. Online condolences may be left at www.hagerfuneralhome.com.

Harrison County Hospitals to host "meet the specialists" open house



Submitted by:
Harrison County Hospital

Harrison County Hospital will host an Open House on Thursday, May 22, 2025, from 4:30 – 5:30 pm in the Main Lobby to meet many of the Hospital's Specialists.

The public will have the opportunity to meet new general surgeons

Karen Johnson Brunkhorst, MD and Steven Thomas, MD. The Orthopedic team will be on hand; John M. Conner, MD, Jeanie Doan, APRN and Kristina Gunter, PA-C. Megan Landis, MD, Dermatologist and new Gynecologist David C. Murphy, DO will also be in attendance. The event is free and open to the public.

NOTICE

The Messenger will print a picture of your loved one in the obituary column.

We need to receive the picture by noon Thursday of the week the obituary is in the paper.



Girls Softball U12 Recreational League beats the rain to play



A solid hit for Mean Green's right fielder.

Kristine Watts
Messenger Staff

All four teams completed their games this week as the rain predicted for Monday the 12th ended up being brief and earlier than expected. Field conditions were great, with the light moisture being enough to keep the dust at bay, but not enough to crank up the humidity.

The Diamonds fell to team Mean Green in a runaway match up. There were two innings where the Diamonds put out a great effort in both pitching and fielding, but in the other innings

the Mean Green ladies capped out at the maximum of seven runs in one inning.

The Hericanes put up a good fight but suffered their first defeat at the hands of the Patriots. A valiant effort was made by both teams to take home the win, but the Patriots did a better job anticipating the pitches and performed well in the outfield.

On Wednesday, May 14th, the earlier of two games had the Hericanes facing off against the Diamonds. The Diamonds recovered an outfield fly with a series of well executed throws, showing



Photos by Kristine Watts| The Messenger
The Hericanes tried for the tag out at home, but the Patriot runner was too fast.

they have really been working on mastering the basics. While they were not able to stop the home run, on the next outfield pop fly, they successfully held the batter at second base. The Hericanes showed well in the batter's box, but their pitcher suffered from some issues with consistency. Despite that, the Hericanes took home the win.

The 7:15pm game was between the Patriots and team Mean Green. Both teams played hard throughout the entire game. The pitcher for Mean Green had more walks than the pitcher

for the Patriots, but neither hit any of the batters. There were small mistakes in fielding by both teams as well, a lot of them from not calling the ball, causing missed opportunities. Mean Green was able to take advantage of the steals to position runner at third this led to then getting more runners overall, ending the game with 11-5.

At the end of week 4 the standings are as follows: Hericanes 5-1, Mean Green 4-2, Diamonds 0-6, and Patriots 3-3.

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