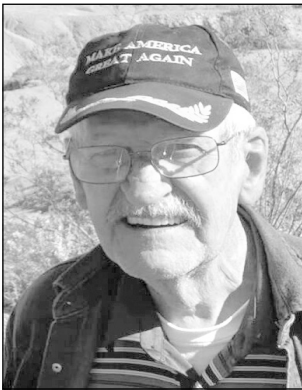


OBITUARIES

William Arden Casteel

NEW SALISBURY, Ind. — William Arden Casteel, age 83, of New Salisbury, Ind., passed away on March 5, 2025. He was born on April 9, 1941, in Echols to Payton and Delcie (Daugherty) Casteel. William was a dedicated pipe fitter journeyman for the Local 502 Union, where he built a successful career that spanned many years.



On July 31, 1965, William married the love of his life, Sheila (Sikes) Casteel. Together, they made their home in New Salisbury, where they built a family and enjoyed a full life. William was passionate about his hobbies, which included golf, bowling, and following Kentucky basketball. He also found joy in caring for his pets and cherished the time spent with his loved ones.

William was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Sheila L. Casteel; his father, Payton Casteel; his mother, Delcie Mae Casteel; and his sister, Jean Cook.

He leaves behind to mourn his passing, his brother, James (Bonnie) Casteel; his sister, Sharon (Kenny) Autry; his brother, Bobby (Joyce) Casteel; his daughters, Mary (Steve) Trusty, Veda (Brad) Sears, Angela Langhorne and Billie Jean (Rob) Conway; his grandchildren, Christopher Wright, Dylan Robbins, Donte Langhorne and Alaina Langhorne; and his “fur daughters,” Kaytee and Maggie.

A cremation has been chosen, with a burial at Central Barren Cemetery to be announced at a later date.

Patricia Ralph

BEAVER DAM — Patricia Ralph, 83, of Beaver Dam, passed away March 5, 2025, at Morgantown Care and Rehabilitation. She was born in Ohio County to the late Edward and Armilda Calloway. She owned and operated the Flower Shop in Fordsville for many years and was a member of New Harmony Baptist Church, where she played the piano.



Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, James Ralph; daughter, Renelle Miller; stepdaughter, Trisha Ralph; and brother, Denny (Judy) Calloway.

She is survived by her brother, Eddie (Elaine) Calloway; daughters, Michelle (Tim) Henson, Rachel (Rodney) Vitek and Naomi (Mark) Zembycki; son-in-law, Johnnie Miller; grandchildren, Rebecca Westerfield, Patricia Hines, Sarah Hagan, Natalie Tanner, Scarlett Vitek, Solomon Vitek, Victoria Hawkins, Chyanne Weber, Meg Webb, Madelyn Zembycki, Luke Zembycki, Calloway Ralph and Mikayla Ralph; and great-grandchildren, Magnolia, Grant, Cailyn, Ella, Ethan, Lydia, Levi, Grant, Julia, Amelia, Micah, Keadon and Serenity.

Funeral services were held March 8 at Sugar Grove Bible Baptist Church, with burial in Adaburg Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mark Zembycki, Rodney Vitek, Solomon Vitek, Luke Zembycki, Noah Hawkins and Logan Webb. Geary Funeral Home in Fordsville was in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences can be made at www.gearycares.com.

Norman Taylor Wallace

BEAVER DAM — Norman Taylor Wallace, 81, of Beaver Dam, passed away on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at Beaver Dam Nursing and Rehab. He was born on May 14, 1943, in Louisville to the late Richard Wesley and Martha Lillian Wilson Wallace. Norman proudly served his country in the United States Army and he was a retired foreman from TVA. He loved being with his family, they were his world.



Aside from his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Jason Taylor Wallace.

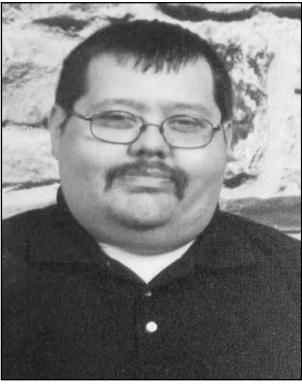
He leaves behind to cherish many precious memories, his wife of 60 years, Patsy Wallace, of Beaver Dam; two children, Rhonda (Kevin) Spencer, of Owensboro, and Norman Todd Wallace, of Beaver Dam; ten grandchildren, Jonathon Boyd, Ciera Boyd Huff, Kaylee Johnson Leach, Robert Sutherland, Catelyn Porter, Colby Howard, Triston Wallace, Janica Wallace, Emily Wallace and Justin Spencer; and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 12 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, at William L. Danks Funeral Home in Beaver Dam, with Rev. Anthony Goff officiating. Burial will follow in Cool Springs Cemetery, with military honors provided by the Ohio County Honor Guard. Friends may visit with Norman’s family from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday and from 9 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Online messages of condolence may be left for the family of Norman Taylor Wallace by visiting his memorial tribute at www.danksfuneralhome.com.

Stephen Justin ‘Stevie’ Smith

BEAVER DAM — Stephen Justin “Stevie” Smith, 41, of Beaver Dam, passed away on Friday, March 7, 2025, at Ohio County Healthcare. He was born on Oct. 28, 1983, in Owensboro to Cleveland “Butch” and Mary Widner Smith. Stevie was a member of Daystar Church in Echols and he previously worked as a sales clerk at Auto Zone, assistant manager at Minit Mart and assistant manager at Arby’s. He enjoyed dirt track racing, drag racing, playing guitar and drums.



He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Alfred and Trula Widner; paternal grandparents, Olen and Irma Smith and Wilma and Donnie Hert.

He leaves behind to cherish many memories, his parents, Cleveland “Butch” and Mary Widner Smith, of Beaver Dam; three siblings, Joey Smith, of Beaver Dam, Samara (Jeremy) Chinn, of McHenry, and Dustin Smith, of Beaver Dam. Stevie was blessed with one niece, Kursten (Tyler) Williams; two nephews, Trigden Chinn and Blane Roberts; one great-nephew, Langston Williams; his stepdaughter, Katie Cooper; and grandchildren, Kent, Davanaee and Kayce Cooper.

Funeral services were held March 11 at William L. Danks Funeral Home in Beaver Dam, with Pastor Michael Decker and Dr. Ryan Himes officiating. Burial was in Render Memorial Cemetery in McHenry.

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