

Obituaries

Sarah Diles 1932-2026

Sarah Louise Diles, 93, of Tipp City, Ohio, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2026, at her home in Tipp City. She was born on Aug. 23, 1932, in Greenup County, a daughter of the late James Matthew and Emma Potter Gillum.

Sarah married Paul Raymond Diles in Portsmouth on June 3, 1950, and the two enjoyed many wonderful years together, hosting their family for special holidays and events. The couple had been married for 70 years at the time of Paul's passing on Jan. 22, 2021.

Sarah graduated from South Webster High School in 1950, worked for Ohio Bell as a switchboard operator for 15 years, and then managed the office at LaserMike with Paul until they sold the business.

She later enjoyed birdwatching and spending even more time with her family, to whom she and Paul were very generous.

Surviving are four siblings, Bonna Yates of Katy, Texas, Elsie (Kenny) Edington of Terre Haute, Indiana, Jack Matthew (Lena) Gillum of Milton, Florida; and Linda Sue Bentley, with whom she made her home; and many beloved nieces, nephews and their families.

Sarah was also preceded in death by three sisters, Vivian Barbara Baker, Doris Faye Stuthers, and Patricia "Pat" Alline Schaffer; and a special friend who was like a son, Steve Poffenbarger.

Funeral services were Sunday, Feb. 15, 2026, at the Ralph F. Scott Funeral Home in Portsmouth, Ohio.

Interment was in Memorial Burial Park on Monday, Feb. 16, 2026.

Walter Lyon, Jr. 1943-2026

Walter Russell Lyon, Jr. ("Joe"), 83, of Wurtland, formerly of Russell, passed away peacefully on Feb. 11, 2026.

He was born on Jan. 22, 1943, in Boyd County, to Walter Russell Lyon, Sr. and Monnie Ison Lyon, and was raised near Sandy Hook, in Elliott County.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents; his beloved wife of 46 years, Sarah Louise Ison Lyon; and his daughter, Laura Susan Lyon.

He is survived by his son, Anthony (Marcella) Isaac Lyon; his grandchildren Zachary Aaron (Ariel) Lyon and Samuel Trevor (Jennifer) Lyon; and his great-grandchildren Annie Lenee Lyon, Harper Arin Lyon, Charlotte Kay Lyon, Jenna Faith Lyon, and Elizabeth Alexandra Lyon.

He is also survived by his brother, Leon Keith (Cathy) Lyon; a special longtime friend and fishing companion, John (Terry) Sergeant, who was known to the family as another uncle; along with extended family and many friends who loved him dearly.

Walter was a graduate of Sandy Hook High School and later attended Mayo State Vocational School, where he studied industrial electricity.

As a young man, he often spoke fondly of helping his uncle work on drilling rigs, experiences that helped shape his strong work ethic.

He later went to work for Armco Steel, later known as AK Steel, where he was a proud member of United Steelworkers Local 1865 and retired after 40 years of dedicated service.

Known for his dependability and commitment, Walter took great pride in honest labor and in providing for his family. Walter and Sarah were married on Aug. 3 in Sandy Hook, beginning a life together rooted in faith, family, and hard work.

They raised their children while attending Flatwoods First Church of the Nazarene, where they were active, longtime members.

Later, they became members of First Baptist Church in Russell, where Walter remained active until his health no longer allowed him to attend. Walter's faith was steady and sincere. He loved singing in church and at revivals, and for a time sang with the Singing Colonels.

He also enjoyed helping his church in any way he could, always willing to lend a hand where it was needed. His faith was shown through participation, service, and presence rather than many words. To his family, he was affectionately known as Papaw Joe. He was humorous, outgoing, and full of personality. He especially enjoyed fishing trips with his buddies, traveling to various lakes, and taking great pleasure in planning, packing, and cooking for those outings.

He was well known for hunting down stray bobbers and somehow always managing to get his line tangled in a tree or caught beneath the water. Those small mishaps became cherished memories and reflected the joy he found simply in being present.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2026 Music Funeral Home in Greenup.

A private family burial took place at Bellefonte Memorial Gardens in Flatwoods.

Services were officiated by his grandson, Bishop Samuel T. Lyon; his brother, Rev. Leon Keith Lyon; and his nephew, Bishop Philip K. Lyon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Walter Lyon to Community Hospice of Ashland, 1480 Carter Avenue, Ashland, Kentucky.

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Suits Filed

• Travis Large versus Amy Sullivan petition for sole custody, Attorney Jeffrey D Hensley

• Donna Marie Morgan Litteral versus Robert Eugene Litteral III petition for dissolution of marriage, no attorney

• Madonna Osborn versus Sharon Miller & Progressive Casualty Ins Co, automobile versus bicycle seeks amt of compensatory damages, including property damage and any other relief to which she may be entitled, Attorney Alex R White

• Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual versus Johnathan Tibbs for mva and property damage, Attorney David L Haney

• First Option Mortgage LLC versus John W & Valerie D Hogston, foreclosure, Attorney Christina E Carr

• Kimberly McGinnis Collins versus Emily Vanbibber Aesthetics LLC, et al TORT, Attorney R Stephen McGinnis

• Onemain Financial Group LLC versus Christopher N Blevins, debt collection \$5807.99, Attorney Fred Hecht

• Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC versus Marie Liles-Bates, aka Marie Liles, foreclosure, Attorney Austin Mitchell

• JP Morgan Chase Bank NA versus Karen M Tate, debt collection \$25,534.84, Attorney Thomas R Myers

• Capital One NA versus Cheromi Daniels, debt collection \$10,360., Attorney Bobby J Coleman

• Ally Bank versus Stormy Crank & Mark crank, debt collection \$12,523.87, Attorney William Little

• Pennymac Loan Services LLC versus Matthew K Parrish & Misty J Parrish, foreclosure, Attorney Veronica L Stewart

• First Financial Bank versus Kathryn Osborne, debt collection \$26,520.63, Attorney James T Hart

• Lillynn Miller versus Elijah Miller, petition for dissolution of marriage, Attorney Erin N Hall

• Amy Renee Rister versus Timmy Lee Rister, petition for dissolution of marriage, no attorney

• Jeffrey Dale Callihan Jr versus Ashlee Dawn Callihan petition for dissolution of marriage, Attorney Ryan A Lothar

• William W & Sandra K Williams to Nicholas & Chelsey Newlon Lt 30 Oaks Unit 2 \$625,000.

• Roger & Heather Hardin to James Edward & Lisa Michelle Justice Lts 109,110 South Shore Addition \$35,000.

• Christel Dawn Harr, Ernest David Harr, David Harr II James Harr, Michael Paul Harr and Julie Dawn Harr to Zachary Smith Lt 228 Blk 1 River Park Subdivision \$3000.

• Danny R Vansickle to EG & P Properties LLC Lt 43 R S Glover Subdivision \$35,000.

• Carolyn Lucille

Morgan Nickels to Kenneth Eugene Nickels Jr, Carolyn Lucille Morgan Nickels and Kenneth E Nickels Heirs 3 tracts Flat Hollow Branch FCV \$58,900.

• Loretta Davis & Donald David Heirs to Loretta Davis Tract 1 Big White Oak Road FCV \$227,092. and Tract Big White Oak Road Carr Missionary Baptist Church FCV \$2000.

• Loretta Davis & Donald L Davis to Loretta Davis Tract Big White Oak Road FCV \$3125.

• Trippett Family Living Trust to Ronald R & Cheryl K Trippett Jr Two Tracts US RT 23 \$375,000.

• Ronald R & Cheryl K Trippett to Brandon Wolfe Two Tracts U.S. 23 \$375,000.

• Martin Cullen Edward Revoca-

ble Trust to Young Marketing and Sales Group LLC Lts 47-52 Lovel Liles Add \$70,000.

• Jessie Grant Kegley, Lindsey Joe Kegley, Amanda Dawn Litteral, Justin Matthew Kegley, Amy Kegley and Paul Dean Kegley Heirs to Roxanne Kegley 2 Tracts Old She & Spring Branch \$33,500.

• Ramona Bowling & Mildred Smith Estate to Travis N Weaver & Abigail Grace Cummings Lot 71 Sec C Shawnee Addition \$120,000.

• Ella Pauline Adkins and Paula Adkins to Loretta Sherbutt Lts 64 & 65 Riverside Sub \$75,000.

Property Transfers
• Larry & Virginia Sue Abshire to Ernie & Christina McCoy 0.917 Acres Taylors Run \$10,000.



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