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Friday, December 22, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

Athens Man Killed In Mexico

An Athens man was among 12 people killed in a bus crash in Mexico this past Tuesday. He was identified as Bob Bever, a resident of the Cumberland Hills community between Athens and Englewood. Bever's wife, Barbara, and their two daughters were injured and are hospitalized in Mexico. The bus was in a convoy of buses that were carrying cruise ship passengers on an excursion to Mayan ruins in southeastern Mexico. They had been on the road for about 40 minutes before the accident. The bus flipped over on a narrow highway, killing 11 travelers and their guide, and injuring about 20 others. Royal Caribbean Cruises issued a statement saying that passengers from two of its ships, the Celebrity Equinox and Serenade of the Seas, were on the bus. At least one of the cruise ships had departed Fort Lauderdale, Florida, last Friday for a seven-day cruise. Mexican authorities believe the crash was caused by the driver's negligence and speed. Bever was retired from the Army and later worked in the trucking industry. His wife has been an employee at Mayfield Dairy. They were active members of St. Mary Catholic Church in Athens.

National & World News

◆ Thursday, the House of Representatives passed a month-long extension that would fund the government and avoid a shutdown just before the holidays.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The annual Community Christmas Dinner will be held Christmas Day afternoon from 3 to 5 at the Englewood Community Center. The dinner is free. Meals will also be delivered to shut-ins. Organizer Theresa Phillips still needs entertainers and names of shut-ins who would like a meal. You can call her at 506-9777.
- ✓ Residential garbage collections in Etowah will be delayed due to Christmas. Monday's route will be collected next Wednesday, Tuesday's route will be collected on Thursday, and Wednesday and Thursday's routes will be picked up on Friday, Dec. 29th.
- ✓ The Meigs County Election Office will be closed Dec. 25-27.

WYXI Radio (FM 94.5/AM-1390) presents special Christmas programming tomorrow, including a Christmas musical by East Athens Baptist Church's choir at 10 a.m., a broadcast of the 1938 radio production of "Christmas Carol" at 12 noon, a radio adaptation of "It's a Wonderful Life" at 1 p.m., and "Miracle On 34th Street" at 2 p.m. There will be readings of "Twas the Night Before Christmas," and lots of Christmas carols.

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Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent Night, Holy Night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.



Merry Christmas

from the Morning Fax Staff

And the angel said unto them, Fear not:
for, behold, I bring you good tidings of
great joy, which shall be to all people.
For unto you is born this day in the city of
David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
Luke 2: 10 & 11

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Athens, Tennessee

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Sharon Faye Walker King**, age 68, of Athens, died Wednesday at Erlanger. She was retired from Johnson Controls. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home; visitation 5-7 p.m.
- ♦ **Juanita Jeanelle Coffey Morgan**, age 83, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. She was retired from Goody's Clothing. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, December 29th at Clearwater Baptist Church, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Azalea Long Merrell**, age 99, of Etowah, died December 13th. She worked at Harper's Furniture Store and at Johnson's Department Store. Graveside services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. December 27th, at Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Bruce Ray Case, Sr.**, age 76, of Decatur, died Wednesday. He was a farmer and a Gideon. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 12 noon at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation 5 to 8 p.m. Friday.
- ♦ **Glenda E. McDaniel**, age 84, of Athens, died Wednesday at Life Care Center of Athens. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at McMinn Memory Gardens. At Glenda's request there will be no formal visitation. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Georgia Ann Robinson Snyder**, age 84, of Athens, died Wednesday at Erlanger Medical Center in Chattanooga. She was a native of Oneida, New York. At Georgia's request, there will be no formal visitation or service. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

Church News and Events

- ~ St. Paul's Episcopal Church will have Christmas Eve Services on Sunday at 5:30 p.m. & 11 p.m., with a Choral Prelude at 10:30 p.m. A Christmas Day Worship Service will be Monday, December 25 at 10:30 a.m. The church is located at 123 South Jackson Street, Athens.
- ~ First Baptist Church of Athens will have a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5 p.m.
- ~ The Athens Christian Church at 802 S. Matlock Road will have a Christmas program at 11 a.m. this Sunday.
- ~ Lane's Chapel Church in Niota will have its Christmas program this Sunday at 3:30 p.m.
- ~ First Baptist Church of Etowah will have a Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service beginning at 5 p.m.
- ~ Fairview Baptist Church will hold a Candlelight Service this Sunday at 6 p.m.
- ~ A Festival Service of Lessons and Carols will be held at St. Paul's UMC in Etowah this Sunday at 6 p.m.

The light shines in the darkness, and the
darkness shall not overcome it.

- John 1:5



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begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should
not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16
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