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Today's News... This Morning

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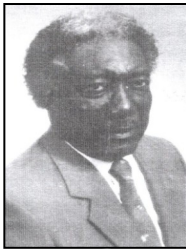
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Wednesday, March 3, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

One More Moment of Black History

Black History Month is over, but we wanted to recognize one more person who played a major role in the Athens community. He was W.E. Burke, who was born in North Carolina and moved to Athens in 1962. He was married to Mozella and was the father of seven children. He served in the Navy during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the National Guard. He was one of the organizers of the first African-American Boy Scout Troop in Athens. He had served as an auxiliary police officer for the City of Athens. He also owned Burke's Record Shop in Downtown Athens, Downtown 76 gas station on White Street, and Burke's Garage. He sang in the choir of Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. His love of music inspired him to start the Gospel Jubilee Radio Program which has been aired on Sunday mornings on WYXI Radio since 1967 and remains on the air to this day. W.E. Burke passed away on August 14, 2005.



(Article submitted by Harriel Blair & Vanessa Burke)

HONORING DOLLY WITH STATE SONG

A bill has been introduced in the Tennessee legislature to adopt the song, "Amazing Grace" as sung by Dolly Parton, as an official Tennessee state song. If it passes, it will become the 8th designated song in Tennessee. The most recognized are "The Tennessee Waltz" and, of course "Rocky Top." This is the second bill involving Dolly to be introduced in the legislative session. The first called for a statue of Dolly on the state capitol grounds.

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The McMinn County Board of Education will have a board workshop on Thursday, March 4th, at 4:30 p.m. at the Center for Educational Excellence.
- ✓ Athens Utilities Board reports the high temperature in February was 72 recorded on Feb. 25th. The low was 17 reached on Feb. 17th. The temperature dropped below freezing on 18 days in February. Rainfall totaled 5.27 inches for the month. The highest 24-hour rainfall was 1.24 inches on Feb. 27th.
- ✓ Dates to remember: March 14th- Daylight Saving Time begins. March 20th-Spring begins. April 4th - Easter Sunday
- ◆ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Gregory Warren with Kicking Bird Pottery. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#).

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Tuesday 3-02

Tennessee: 776,337 cases, up 644. 11,436 deaths, up 15.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	5,931 up 2	5,711	129	91
Meigs	1,266 up 2	1,228	17	21
Monroe	5,331 up 6	5,100	141	90
Polk	1,765 up 6	1,683	60	22
Bradley	12,918 up 28	12,413	366	139
Rhea	4,151 up 1	4,009	69	73

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8:45 am - 9:30am and
Monday - Friday Afternoon
4:15pm to 4:45 pm

WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - Mostly sunny. High 59.
Wednesday night - Mostly clear. Low of 35.
Thursday - Sunny and milder. High 62.
Friday - Partly sunny and a little cooler. High 52.
 More weather at: wxyi.com



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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Joyce Bramblett Marcrom**, age 92, of Athens, died Tuesday. She loved to golf and play bridge. She had seven grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and four great great grandchildren. The family will hold a private celebration of her life. Announcement made by Smith Funeral Home.

♦ **Adolph "Skip" Kwiram, Jr.**, age 75, of Decatur, died Monday at Tennova of Cleveland. He was a builder and cabinet maker. Services will be 7 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Ziegler.

♦ **Linford Creed Bull**, age 83, of Athens, died Monday, March 1st. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served in Gideons International. Funeral services will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Wildwood Baptist Church, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. at the church. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Courtney "Court" Henry**, age 32, of Decatur, died Monday. Funeral services will be Thursday at 7 p.m. at Decatur Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Walter Lee "Walli" Ferguson**, age 71, of Athens, died last Friday at his home. He was a Vietnam veteran serving in the U.S. Army. He also was a popular disc jockey on WYXI and WLAR Radio Stations. He was known as "Check It Out Walli." Funeral services Saturday at 11 a.m. at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home; visitation from 9 - 11 a.m.



♦ **Julie Keller Leinweber**, age 51, of Athens, died February 27th at her home. The family will receive friends on Friday, March 5th, at 1 p.m. at Good Samaritan Funeral Home in Athens.

January Home Sales

Here is a partial list of home sales in McMinn County during the month of January, compiled by Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services: tvasinc.com

County Rd 1120, Athens -	\$404,000
County Rd 3050, Athens -	\$340,000
Highway 307, Athens -	\$329,900
County Rd 298, Sweetwater -	\$289,000
County Rd 728, Riceville -	\$285,000
Boaz St., Athens -	\$282,000
County Rd 29, Riceville -	\$280,000
County Rd 775, Riceville -	\$225,000
County Rd 112, Athens -	\$222,500
County Rd 347, Sweetwater -	\$219,400
County Rd 347, Sweetwater -	\$214,900
Brewer St., Athens -	\$209,900
County Rd 22, Calhoun -	\$205,000
Woodlawn Circle, Athens -	\$205,000
County Rd 65, Riceville -	\$196,000
County Rd 360, Niota -	\$185,000
County Rd 556, Athens -	\$183,900
Towanda Trail, Athens -	\$180,000
Call Drive, Athens -	\$179,000
County Rd 500, Englewood -	\$178,500
County Rd 783, Etowah -	\$169,900
Crestwood, Athens -	\$167,500
Cardinal St., Athens -	\$167,000
Towanda Trail, Athens -	\$165,000
Delay St., Athens -	\$163,500

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Spring is getting closer. Jennifer Hardison sent us this photo of a male Purple Finch that visited her backyard on Tuesday. The first day of spring is March 20th.

