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Wednesday, May 25, 2022

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Plaque Presented at Museum

Recently at The McMinn Living Heritage Museum, The Harmony and GRITS Dulcimer group, of which Johnny and Becky McGrew are members, presented a plaque to Becky McGrew in memory of her husband Johnny. The photo at the right shows Cheri Harrison of the dulcimer group presenting the plaque to Becky McGrew. The plaque will be placed in the Johnny McGrew permanent exhibit case at the Museum.



Photo submitted by Ann Davis

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Reminder: Registration is still open, now through June 6, for the Friendly City Co-Ed Adult Softball League for free agents, individuals 16 and older. For more information or to register, visit the Athens Parks and Recreation Department at 815 N. Jackson St or call 744-2704 EXT 3, or email recreation@athenstn.gov
- ✓ The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) says that nearly 87% of Tennessee Memorial Day travelers plan to drive this weekend. AAA reports that 698,000 Tennesseans are expected to take a holiday road trip. That's a 4.1% from the 2021 holiday weekend. TDOT will suspend all construction-related lane closures on interstates and state routes beginning at noon on Friday, May 27 through 6 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31. This suspension of lane closures is designed to help motorists by providing the maximum roadway capacity possible throughout the state.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equity markets finished lower. The tech-heavy Nasdaq added to its year-to-date underperformance. International markets were also lower. Treasury yields declined and bonds rose. Oil was little changed at \$111. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 48.38 to 31,928.62. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 32.27 to 3,941.48, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 270.83 to 11,264.45.

◆ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Izabel Letourneau. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Michael Cooper Aikens**, age 73, of Riceville, passed away Monday at his home after a 2-month battle with glioblastoma brain cancer. He began his career as a Tennessee Wildlife Resource officer in Sequatchie County for six months and then Sumner County for seven years. He was promoted to Assistant Supervisor of Area 33 in 1978 and transferred to McMinn County. He later worked in the hosiery industry and ended his career with Storm Copper of Decatur. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Genesis Baptist Church in Athens. A funeral service will follow at the church. Interment will be Friday at 11 a.m. in Dyllis Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Keith Irvin Johnson**, age 65, a native of Brooksville, FL, and a resident of Athens for the past 5 years, passed away Thursday, May 19th. A graveside service will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Meigs County Memorial Gardens. There will be no formal visitation. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge.
- ♦ **Broughton Joe Blair**, age 88, of Etowah, passed away Monday, May 23rd, at his home. He was a self-taught man and established two successful businesses in Etowah at the foot of "Blair Hill", the Etowah Safety Center and Blair's Auto Parts. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday at McMinn Memory Gardens. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge.
- ♦ **Evelyn Edythe Daugherty**, age 64, of Englewood and formerly of Carrollton, Ga., passed away Monday, May 23rd, at her home after a brief battle with cancer. She was an employee of the United States Post Office. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m., Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service. A Committal service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Liberty Hill Cemetery.

Obituaries - Continued

- ♦ **Laura Jean Abbott**, age 74, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, March 22nd, at her residence. She was a native of Los Angeles, CA., and a resident of McMinn County for over 25 years. She taught school in Japan and at Tennessee Meiji Gakuin High School (TMG), formerly Tennessee Military Institute (TMI) in Sweetwater. She was accomplished in painting and photography. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, June 2 at St. Mary Catholic Church. There will be a reception afterwards at the church followed by the interment at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Ruby Alma Benton Elkins**, age 96, passed away Monday, May 23rd. She was a lifelong resident of Athens. She was a former employee at the Outlet Store, Van Raalte Hosiery Mill and Westinghouse-Athens Products where she later retired. She went back to work at Hardees of Athens near the interstate where she was a biscuit maker for many more years. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Idlewild Baptist Church with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow in Idlewild Cemetery. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Ms. Rosario Benitez** was born in Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico and a resident of Lindsay, CA. for 35 years before moving to Athens to live with her only child Susan Benitez. Graveside services will be at 6 p.m. Friday at Cedar Grove Cemetery with visitation from 4 to 5:45 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home of Athens.
- ♦ **Jan S. Taylor**, age 71, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, May 24th, at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home of Athens.
- ♦ **Kenneth Wilson**, age 73, of Niota, passed away Tuesday, May 24th, at his residence. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler funeral Home of Athens.

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