Obituaries

Walter Woods Bussart

April 16, 1942 – October 25, 2022

Walter Woods Bussart passed away peacefully at his home in Nashville, TN, on Tuesday, October 25, 2022. Walter received many honors throughout his life, but his proudest distinction was attorney-at-law. After graduating from the University of Tennessee College of Law in 1966, Walter clerked for Justice Thomas Dyer of the Tennessee Supreme Court. He then began his law practice in Lewisburg, Tennessee, under the tutelage of Bill Lloyd. He later founded his own practice, Bussart Law Firm. Over his distinguished career, he partnered in law practice with notable lawyers, including Fred Thompson, Barbara Medley, and his daughter, Lee Bussart. He was recognized as a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers, a preeminent honor reserved for 1% of the state's attorneys. His passion for service to the profession led him to serve as Speaker of the House of Delegates for the Tennessee Bar Association. Walter was elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives and served in the 90th General Assembly. He was also chosen as the Marshall County General Sessions Judge in 1972 and later appointed to the Tennessee Court of Appeals in 1997. Even with all these accolades to his name, no position was higher or more satisfying to him than the practice of law to which he dedicated himself for 56 years.

He joined the Tennessee National Guard and claimed the Erickson Trophy for the State of Tennessee, presented annually to the Distinguished Graduates of each State National Guard Officer Candidate School. Over 32 years of service, he de-



veloped lifelong friendships with other Judge Advocate Generals and rose to the rank of Colonel.

Walter was born in Belfast, Tennessee, on April 16, 1942, to Mary Gertrude Woods Bussart and Christopher Leo Bussart. He is preceded in death by his parents and his younger brother, Christopher "Christy" Leo Bussart, Jr. Walter graduated from Marshall County High School in 1960 with the finest classmates ever known.

Walter attended the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where he joined the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. He served as Worthy Master and created lasting friendships with his ATO brothers. He was invited into the Scarabbean Senior Society and served as President of the Student Body of UTK. Outside the courtroom, he was happiest in Knoxville singing Rocky Top in Neyland Stadium.

Walter served two terms as President of Richland Country Club, enjoying the members' fellowship and the staff's friendship.

Walter is survived by his two daughters, Brittain Anne Bussart of Chattanooga and Catherine Lee Bussart (Sam Smith) of Cornersville; his grandchildren, Mary Adella Youmans (Addie), currently attending college in Bloomington, Indiana, Kate Dorothy Youmans currently attending college in Savannah, Georgia, and Samuel Walter Smith of Cornersville, Tennessee. He is also survived by his companion, Barbara Kellett.

Visitation was held Friday, October 28,2022, from 11-2 at Bills-McGaugh Hamilton Funeral Home in Lewisburg, Tennessee, with funeral services beginning at 2:00 p.m. Interment took place at Round Hill Cemetery in Belfast, Tennessee, following the funeral. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Marshall County Recovery Court Foundation, P.O. Box 1191, Lewisburg, TN 37091, St. John's Catholic Church, 1061 S. Ellington Pkwy, Lewisburg, TN 37091, or University of Tennessee Alumni Association, alumni. utk.edu.

Active pallbearers were David Bussart, Logan Bussart, Sam Smith, Dick Ott, Bobby McMillen, Sammy Woodward and Barbara Medley.

Honorary Pallbearers were Bobby Beech, Grover Collins, Billy Coble, Larry Adams, Bob Clement, John Tanner, Bill Connelly, Dale Allen, David Welles, Andy Daniels, Sam Hatcher, Tinker Kelly, Debbie Liggett, Gary Morrell, Tom Parsons, Linda Jernigan, Ashley Brown, Gary Ledbetter, Bill Marsh, Eddie Wiles, First Commerce Bank Board of Directors, Richland Boys Night- Jim Kay, Bob Petty, Johnny Lee, Robert Frost, John Glennon, Larry Williams, and Don Williams, and the Marshall County High School Class of 1960.

John Lewis Perry, 86, of Leoma, TN passed away Monday, Oct. 31, 2022, at STRHS Lawrenceburg after an extended illness. He was a native of Marshall County, TN, a veteran of the National Guard, Kroger Company Meat Dept. Manager for 44 years, member of Lakeview Baptist Church, and a member of the Elks Lodge.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John Frank and Rachel Marie Cherry Perry; wife, Bessie Carpenter Perry; brothers, Tommy Perry and Raymond Perry; sister, Louise Farler.

Mr. Tom V. Wigington, 96, died Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022, at his home in the Holts Corner community. Mr. Wigington was born May 4, 1926, in Bochito, OK, to Gillie Coburn Wigington and Thomas Virgil Wigington, Sr. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by sisters, Joyce Wilson, Delores Beals, and brothers, David Wigington, Bill Wigington and Bobby Wigington.

Tom graduated high school in 1943. While a senior in high school, he was drafted into the United States Navy and served in the Marshall Islands and Philippines during World War II. After being honorably discharged, he entered Oklahoma City University where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree. Tom taught math and history at Forrest High School for 28 years. Along with teaching, he was able to also fulfill his passion of coaching high school basketball for those 28 years. During his tenure, his teams won many trophies and went to the State tournaments in 1973 and in 1978.

Mr. Wigington was a member of Riggs

John Lewis Perry

Mr. Perry is survived by his son, Glenn Perry of Houston, TX; daughter, Vickie (Howard) Barnett of Leoma; sister, Sandra Perry of Shelbyville; two grandchildren, Natalie New-

Tom V. Wigington





Church of Christ where he faithfully served as an elder for 40 years.

Mr. Wigington is survived by his wife of 60 years, Frances Chrisman Wigington, Holts Corner comm.; daughter, Jacque Perryman Dospil, Holts Corner comm.; son, Thomas Wigington, III, Lewisburg, TN; sisters, Naoma Kennedy, Mustang, OK, Gwen McClung, Watonga, OK; brother, Glenn (Charlene) Wigington, Boerne, TX; grandchildren, Brad (Dana) Perryman, Ryan (Rachel) Perryman; great-grandchildren, Tayler (Zach) Horvath, David Anlander of Denver, CO and Jacqueline Perry of Houston, TX; one great-grandchild, Ashlyn Perry-Culp of Houston, TX. Visitation took place

Visitation took place Nov. 2, 2022, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Loretto Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be held at Loretto Memorial Chapel, Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022, at 1 p.m. with Pastor Jerry Clayton officiating. Burial will follow in Lawrence Memorial Gardens.

Loretto Memorial Chapel, 110 N Military Street, Loretto, TN, is in charge of the arrangements. 931-853-6995

drews, Cole Perryman, Morgan Perryman, Caroline Perryman, Anna Perryman, Ella Perryman; great-great-grandchildren, Avery Horvath, Jackson Horvath, Kyler Coward; niece, Tammi (Doug) Pruitt; great-nephews, Paten (Ashton) Pruitt, Lucas (McKinsey) Pruitt, Jesse (Ryleigh) Pruitt; several other nieces and nephews.

Family members received friends on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022, from 4 until 8 p.m. at Lawrence Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. from the chapel of Lawrence Funeral Home with Russell Wyatt and Paten Pruitt officiating. Burial followed in Swanson Cemetery in Chapel Hill.

Brad Perryman, Ryan Perryman, Paten Pruitt, Lucas Pruitt, Jesse Pruitt, David Andrews, Cole Perryman and Doug Pruitt served as pallbearers.

Lawrence Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Chapel Hill, TN, 364-2233, (www. lawrencefuneral.net) in charge of arrangements.

William "Billy" Hopkins

Mr. William "Billy" Hopkins, 91, of Lewisburg, died Monday, Oct. 31, 2022, following an extended illness.

A graveside service

was conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022, at Mars Hill Cemetery in Cornersville, TN, following visitation at Lawrence

Funeral Home, Nov. 2, 2022.

Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Chapel Hill, in charge of arrangements.

Notice of Election Day Polling Places & Location of Absentee Counting Board

Notice is hereby given the General/Cornersville Municipal Election will be held Tuesday, November 8, 2022 in all Polling Places in Marshall County. The locations of the Polling Places and the Absentee & Provisional Counting Board are as follows:

Poll Hours are from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

District One/Chapel Hill Precinct	Chapel Hill United Methodist Church 316 N. Horton Parkway Chapel Hill, TN 37034
District Two/Henry Horton State Park Precinct	Henry Horton State Park 4201 Nashville Hwy Chapel Hill, TN 37034
District Three/Belfast Precinct	Belfast Lion's Club Building 455 Belfast-Farmington Rd Belfast, TN 37019
District Four/Cornersville Precinct	Cornersville Elementary School 485 Main Street Cornersville, TN 37047
District Five/Recreation Center Precinct	Lewisburg Recreation Center Sportsplex Building 1551 Mooresville Hwy Lewisburg, TN 37091
District Six/Parkview Precinct	Parkview Baptist Church 1380 West Ellington Pkwy Lewisburg, TN 37091
District Seven/Hardison School Precinct	Hardison Office Annex 230 College Street Lewisburg, TN 37091
District Eight/Lewisburg Gas Department Precinct	Lewisburg Gas Department 505 North Ellington Pkwy Lewisburg, TN 37091
District Nine/McKnight Center Precinct	McKnight Center 419 W. Church St. Lewisburg, TN 37091
Absentee & Provisional Counting Board	Hardison Office Annex 230 College Street, Suite 120 Lewisburg, TN 37091
Federal or TN State government issued photo ID is required to vote, unless an exception applies. To learn more about the law and its exceptions, please call Marshall County Election Commission or visit www.GoVoteTN.gov.	
Marshall County Election Commission	
Janet Heckle, Chairman Chundra (Cee Cee) Davis, Secretary	

Bobby was born and raised in 1932, in Delina, TN, a small community just outside of Lewisburg, TN where his family had a small dairy farm. He passed from this earth on Oct. 20, 2022, in Spring Hill, TN. He and his wife, Betty, resided in Winchester for approximately 50 years and were members of First Baptist Church there until 2013. However you knew him. "Pop," Tokie or Bobby, believed in working hard to earn what you have, being loyal to your family and relationships as well as your career. He was part of the "Silent Generation" and was stable and dependable. He was a rural route carrier for over 30 years in Decherd, TN and had a small tax business in Decherd until 2013.

He loved his daughter, Lisa, and grandchildren more than anything. He was the definition of a true friend. He



Bobby Tokie Edmondson

passed peacefully at The Reserve at Spring Hill on October 20, 2022, and was met at heaven's gates by his love, Betty Edmondson, whom he shared 65 years of marriage with. He is preceded in death by his parents, Laymon B. and Mary Pigg Edmondson; brother, Brandon Edmondson; sister, Gerolene Gatlin, and wife, Betty Edwards Edmondson. He is survived by his daughter, Lisa Edmondson Sparks; grandson, Whitaker Sparks (Crosbie); granddaughter, Abby Sparks McSpirit (Sean); great-grandson, Stokes McSpirit; and sister, Elizabeth Mealer (J.D.), as well as several nieces and nephews and extended family. He was loved deeply and his presence will be missed so much.

Arrangements were made with Bills-Mc-Gaugh & Hamilton Funeral Home in Lewisburg. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022, with visitation at the funeral home starting at 12:00. He was buried in Short Cemetery in Lewisburg, TN.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the American Heart Association.

Bills-McGaugh & Hamilton Funeral Home is honored to assist the family with arrangements. Condolences may be extended online at www.billsmcgaugh.com.

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