

# Obituaries



## Michael Glenn Darnell

Michael Glenn Darnell, 48, Fort Blackmore, passed away, Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2021, at the Johnson City Medical Center, Johnson City, Tenn.

Michael was born Dec. 11, 1972 in Sullivan County, Tenn.

His survivors include his wife, Sharon Darnell, of the home; parents, Delmar Ray and Wanda Faye Darnell; daughters, Taylor Marie Darnell and fiancé, Jacob Gailey and Emma Grace Darnell; sons, Tyler Hudson Darnell, Ethan Blake Darnell, Payton Sean Darnell, Brady Allen Darnell and William Leigh Darnell; sisters, Sherry Darnell and fiancé, Jimmy Powers and Sandra Greene and husband, Wayne Green; brothers, Bobby Darnell and wife, Charlene Darnell; along with several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 12:00p.m.-2:00p.m., at the.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021 at 2 p.m. in the Gene Falin Memorial Chapel of the Gate City Funeral Home with the Rev. Jimmy Darnell officiating.

Burial followed at the Carters Cemetery in the Stoney Creek Community of Fort Blackmore.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the funeral home for the funeral expenses.

Online guest register is available for the family at <www.gatecityfunerals.com>.

Gate City Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



## Kenny Fannon

Kenneth (Kenny) Gene Fannon passed away at Holston Valley Medical Center Sunday, October 10, surrounded by his family. He was of the Baptist faith.

Kenny was born in Lee County, Virginia

on May 15, 1931, but lived most of his life in Scott County. He was a graduate of Rye Cove High School and Whitney Business College. He was co-owner and Vice President of Robinette Steel in Big Stone Gap, Virginia for many years. He truly loved his community and his country. Kenny served in the United States Army as a Corporal during the Korean Conflict and later as Commander of Chapter 250 of the Korean War Veteran's Association. Of all his many volunteer activities, he was most proud of his work as organizer of the Annual Duffield Veteran's Dinner.

Kenny often said, "I have always tried to make our county and our country a better place to live." And, he did. He was Scout Master in Duffield for several years. He also served on several local boards including Lonesome Pine Hospital, Scott County Chamber of Commerce, Virginia State Parks, Mountain Empire Community College, Scott County School Board, Scott County Planning Commission, Scott County Industrial Development Authority, Duffield Development Authority and Duffield Fire and Rescue. Kenny was a charter member of both the Duffield Ruritan Club and the Duffield Lions Club. He was instrumental in starting the annual Duffield Daze Celebration and was chairman for 36 years. He also enjoyed serving as Bell Captain of the Salvation Army Kettle in Duffield.

Kenny, along with his grandson Ruston, was an avid railroad enthusiast and collector. As owner of the Fannon Train Museum, he shared his vast knowledge and love of railroad history with people from around the country. He was a member of East Tennessee Chapter NRHS and a 51 year member of the National Railway Historical Society. Other interests included his love of the Cincinnati Reds and NASCAR.

For his many accomplishments, he was most importantly a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. Kenny was married for 70 years to Jean, his high school sweetheart. He loved to travel and show his family this great country. He never met a stranger and treated everyone with

respect and hospitality. His sense of humor was contagious and he enjoyed sharing funny stories that entertained many.

He is preceded in death by his parents, E.D. and Venus Fannon; brothers, Jack and Joe; and sister, Mary Allen.

Kenny is survived by his loving wife Jean, son, Jack and wife Susan; daughter, Lori Green and husband Daniel; special grandsons, Ruston Fannon and Kevin Wade; granddaughter, Leslie Guy; great-grandsons, Jackson Guy and Mason Wade; sister, June Fannon and sister-in-law, Helen Lane.

The family received friends in the chapel of Oak Hill Funeral Home on Friday, Oct. 15, 2021, from 5 until 7 p.m.

Funeral services with Pastor Paul Wright officiating followed.

A Private Entombment was held Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, with Military Honors provided by the American Legion Hammond Post No. 3 and Gate City Post No. 265. Special friend Ron Flanary performed Taps.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army or the charity of your choice.

We would like to thank his special friends and helpers, Lester Bowen, Bruce Robinette, Joe Fuller, Rick Holland, Jack Davis, Harold Dillon, Lloyd Love, The Edwards Brothers, Johnny Sharp, David Kistner, Fred Bishop, Dale Smith, Doug Warren, Luther Minor and Michael Carter.

The care of Kenneth (Kenny) Gene Fannon and his family was entrusted to the Staff of Oak Hill Funeral & Cremation Services.



## Opal E. Gillenwater

Opal E. Gillenwater, 84, Kingsport, Tenn., passed away, Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021 at her residence.

Opal was born Oct. 11, 1937 in Scott Coun-

ty and was the daughter of the late Oscar and Gladys (Kinkead) Barnett.

She was the best wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend anyone could ever ask for.

Opal and Lester would have been married 66 years on Nov. 24, 2021.

In addition to her parents, her grandsons, Jason Hall, Matthew Gordon and Zachary Gillenwater; sister and brother-in-law, Helen and Doll Casteel; and brother, Jim Barnett preceded her in death.

Her survivors include her husband, Lester Gillenwater, Kingsport, Tenn.; daughters and sons-in-law, Jessie and Tommy Hall, Kingsport, Tenn. and Ginger and Larry Gordon, Kingsport, Tenn.; adopted daughter, Brenda Morelock, Kingsport, Tenn.; son and daughter-in-law, Chuck and Veronica Gillenwater, Kingsport, Tenn.; grandchildren, Amanda Hall and Shane Manis, BreAnna Whitfield and husband, Josh, and Luke Gillenwater; great-grandchildren, Dalton Manis, Gavin Manis and Camara Hall; sister and brother-in-law, Rita and Dale Page, Gate City; brother, Mark Barnett, Gate City; along with several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021 at 1 p.m. in the Gene Falin Memorial Chapel of the Gate City Funeral Home with the Rev. Mike Jones officiating.

Burial followed in the Gillenwater Cemetery in the Midway community of Scott County.

Online guest register is available for the family at <www.gatecityfunerals.com>.

Gate City Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



## Shirley Lawson

Shirley J. Lawson, 83 of Hill Station, VA passed on October 12, 2021 at Holston Valley Medical Center.

Shirley was born Aug. 27, 1938 in Scott County to the late George Monroe and Cal-

lie Mae Darnell. Shirley was a member of Alley Valley Freewill Baptist Church, where she was treasurer for several years. Shirley loved her church and church family dearly. Shirley was retired from Tennessee Eastman.

In addition to her parents, Shirley is preceded in death by her husband Carroll (Carl) Lawson; sisters, Georgie Ervin and Kathy Sexton; brothers, Larry Darnell and Charles Fred Darnell.

Her survivors include her daughter, Teresa Glass; grandchildren, Benjamin Akers, Maranda Pierson (Josh); great-grandchildren, Adelyn, Harper, Rowen; sisters, Virginia Grizzle, Gate City and Carolyn Frazier (Eddie), Midway; brothers, James (Bud) Darnell (Patsy), Gate City, Earl Darnell (Charlene), Yuma and Hubert Darnell (Billie), Gate City; nephew she loved dearly as a son, Michael Darnell (Marie), Hill Station.

In addition to these family members, Shirley was survived by her loving family members of Roy and Nancy Townsend, Jason Townsend (Candith) and Raelynn, Jennifer (Richard) Kendrick and Emilee. They will never know how much they are appreciated and loved by her and her family. They have been with Shirley and her family every step of the way.

Graveside services were held Friday, Oct. 15, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. at Holston View Cemetery in Weber City with Brother Joe Townsend officiating.

Online condolences may be made to the family at <www.colonialfhscott.com>.

Colonial Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



## Charles 'Allan' Reedy

Charles 'Allan' Reedy, 69, Church Hill, Tenn., passed away Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021.

Allan was born Feb. 13, 1952 in Kingsport, Tenn., a son of the late Albert William Reedy Jr. and Virginia (Lester) Reedy.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Gate City.

His survivors include his loving wife of 43 years, Janet Bellamy Reedy; daughters, Michelle Cole and husband Josh and Leslie Tate and husband Aaron; grandchildren, Kaylee Reedy, Emilee Tate and Colton Tate; brother, David Reedy and wife Debbie; and two nieces.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 pm at Scott County Funeral Home, Weber City, VA. and other times at 1621 Yuma Rd., Gate City, VA.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021 at 7 p.m. with Pastor Jeff DeBoard and Pastor Gary Adkins officiating.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday, Oct. 20,

2021 at 11 a.m. at Holston View Cemetery. Family and friends are asked to assemble at 10:50AM at the cemetery.

Everyone planning to attend the services are asked to wear a face covering and practice social distancing.

Pallbearers will be Aaron Tate, Josh Cole, Gary Arwood, Austin Arwood, Abram Arwood and Danny Wayne Shelton.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made in Allan's memory to a charity of one's choice.

To express condolences to the family, visit <www.cartertrent.com>.

Carter-Trent/Scott County Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



## Flo Wolfe

Nancy Flo Wolfe, 83, of Hiltons, passed away Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021 peacefully at home.

She was a graduate of Hilton High School and a full-time homemaker with a witty sense of humor. She never met a stranger. She was a life-long faithful member of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church and served as Treasurer of the Cemetery Fund for many years. She volunteered at the Carter Family Fold for over 40 years. She was the oldest living descendant of A.P. and Sara Carter.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, John Cord Wolfe Jr.; her son, Ivan Mark Wolfe; her son-in-law, Stacy Strong; her parents, Milan and Gladys Millard and her sister, Carolyn Beth Millard.

Her survivors include three daughters, Dewanna Cross and husband, Bruc.; Yolanda Burke and husband, David and Dania Strong; six grandchildren, Madison Lee Cross, Cortney Leanne Wolfe, Adrianna Jon "AJ" Cross, Katelyn Renee Wolfe, Jacob Ethan Strong and Shyanna Bo Strong; and her sister-in-law, Myrtle Ree Wolfe.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021 at 5 p.m. in the Scott County Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Randy Powers and Pastor Vickie Carter officiating.

Graveside services will be held Monday, Oct. 18, 2021 at 11 a.m. at Wolfe-Jett Cemetery in Hiltons.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund, P.O. Box 175, Hiltons, Va. 24258.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at <www.cartertrent.com>.

Carter-Trent/Scott County Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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# Something To Think About

Bettye F. Miller

DIRECTOR

## Where to Keep Your Will

Often people keep their will in a safe deposit box. This is not the best place for it. In many states, safe deposit boxes are sealed upon the death of the signatory (whether you rent the box jointly or in your name only). It cannot be opened unless a representative of the state tax commission is present. Sometimes exceptions can be made in order to find the will, but this requires that special arrangements be made and adds another layer of bureaucratic complication to what is already a time-consuming process.

Try finding a safe place in your home — a fireproof metal box, perhaps. If you work with a lawyer to draw

up your will, leave it on file at your lawyer's office. Be sure your family or someone close to you knows where it is located. Remember, your will won't do anybody any good if it can't be found. It is an important document and should be thought of as an asset in itself and cared for accordingly.

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## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

# OCT 20 - 26, 2021

**Wednesday, October 20, 2021**

6:45p Holston View United Methodist Church

8p Gate City United Methodist Church

**Thursday, October 21, 2021**

10a Holston View United Methodist Church

12p Scott County School Board Meeting

2p Scott County Board Of Supervisors Meeting

9p Oak Glen Baptist Church

**Friday, October 22, 2021**

12p Scott County School Board Meeting

4p Scott County Board Of Supervisors

**Saturday, October 23, 2021**

11a Scott County School Board Meeting

3p Scott County Board Of Supervisors Meeting

**Sunday, October 24, 2021**

10:55a Gate City United Methodist Church

2p Scott County School Board Meeting

5p Scott County Board Of Supervisors Meeting

**Monday, October 25, 2021**

5p The Lee Smith Singers

6p The Lee Smith Singers

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021**

10a The Lee Smith Singers

11a The Lee Smith Singers

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