

Anthony "Blane" Odom

Aug. 19, 1957 - May 6, 2018

Funeral services for Anthony "Blane" Odom were May 8, 2018, at Capps Funeral Home in Tylertown. Elds. P.J. Walters and Ricky Myers officiating.

Odom, 60, died at his home May 6, 2018. He was born Aug. 19, 1957, in Tylertown to Luther Rudolph Odom, Sr. and Joyce Rushing Odom and was a lifelong resident of Tylertown.

His mother survives him as well as a sister Pell Wheless (Ron) of Tylertown and a brother Luther Rudolph "Rudy" Odom, Jr. (Cecelia) of Mandeville, LA.

He is also survived by a niece Ashley Rabalais (Blaine) and four nephews: Luke Wheless, Ronnie Wheless (Susan), Greg Wheless (Cassie), and Luther Rudolph "Rudy" Odom III.

A graduate of Walthall Academy, he was a member of New Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, Highway 98, Tylertown. He was a certified gunsmith who was trained at the Colorado Gunsmithing School. Before becoming disabled, he worked as a gunsmith. Prior to his career as a gunsmith, he worked at Billy's Auto Parts, Rushing Motor Co., and as an offshore oil worker.

Pallbearers were Luke Wheless, Ronnie Wheless, Greg Wheless, Rudy Odom III, Blaine Rabalais, Scott Morrow, James Stinson and Stacey Crawford.

Honorary pallbearers were Robert Jenkins, Mack Rushing Sr., Mack Rushing Jr., and Luther Rushing.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to New Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, c/o Pell Wheless Church Clerk, 79 Tylertown Mesa Rd. Tylertown, MS 39667.

Hartman-Hughes Capps Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Family and friends may sign the online guest book at www.hartmanhughesfuneralhome.com



(Photo Submitted)

Larry Barrett

Jan. 30, 1944 - May 2, 2018

Larry A. Barrett, age 74 of Columbia, died May 2, 2018, at his home in the Goss community. He was born Jan. 30, 1944, to John Clifton Barrett, Sr. and Nita Floyd Barrett, both of whom have preceded him in death.

A native of Foxworth, he founded Barrett's Garden Center in 1977 on High School Avenue in Columbia. His high standard of offering quality plants and landscaping supplies enabled him to enlarge his business.

He and his wife Gloria soon moved the business to its current location on Old Hwy 98 East. He developed his own formula for potting soil and desire to market high-quality plant products gained him wide-spread notoriety among his customers as well as his colleagues in both the retail and wholesale nursery industry.

Barrett served on the board of directors of the Mississippi Nurserymen's Assn., a chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects and was elected as president of the association by a panel of 480 members.

Barrett was also an avid hunter, marksman, and fisherman. He particularly loved to take safari hunting trips to Africa and has several exotic trophies as a result of his trips. Barrett was a member of Goss Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Gloria Barrett; his daughter, Perry Ann Barrett-Byler; two brothers, John Barrett, and his wife Beverly, of Tylertown, and Louis Barrett, and his wife Linda, of St. Bernard, LA; two grandchildren, Zoe Byler, and Gabriel Byler.

Funeral services were May 5, 2018, at Colonial Funeral Home, Rev. Ralph Sanford and Rev. Mark McArthur officiating, interment at Foxworth Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Chris Barrett, Todd Barrett, Caleb Barrett, Darryl Ryals, Joe Willoughby, Mike Moree, Brandon Parrett, and Steve Ballew. Honorary pallbearers were all of Larry's former employees.



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Mary Skinner

July 12, 1926 - May 6, 2018

Funeral services for Mary E. Skinner, 91, of Tylertown, were May 10, 2018, at Union Baptist Church with Revs. Doug Lee and Randall Griffin officiating.

Burial was in the Tylertown Cemetery.

Mrs. Skinner died at Diversicare-Tylertown May 6, 2018. She was born July 12, 1926, in Walthall County to the late Alexander Benjamin and Martha Eula Boyd Rushing.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her first husband and father of her children, Berlon Sanford, and her second husband Porter Skinner; infant children Deloris, David, and Carol Sue; grandson Lynn Beard; brothers Leroy, Ford, Gene and Roger Rushing; sisters Mary Magiline and Mavis White; and step-son Phillip Skinner.

She was a member of Union Baptist Church and a homemaker. She enjoyed listening to music and cooking.

Survivors include her son Dale (Janice) Sanford; daughter Shirley (Grady) Alexander; brother A. B. (Dean) Rushing, Jr.; sisters Polly (Buel) Boyd, Juanita Holmes, and Sarah McElveen; grandchildren Earnie (Anita) Beard, Tricia (Guy) Thompson, Scott (Misty) Beard, Laurie (Jim) Williams, Gwen (Chris) Lombardi, Holly (Richie) Edens, and Yancey Sanford; 14 great-grandchildren plus three in-laws; three great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Reggie Beard, Maurice Beard, Donovan Beard, Devan Hightower, Mickey Brown, and Yancey Sanford. Honorary pallbearers were Earnie Beard, Scott Beard and Guy Thompson.

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Joey Garrard

Joseph Wayne (Joey) Garrard, 42, of Richland, died May 10, 2018, from complications of brain cancer. Joey fought a courageous battle against brain cancer since May 2009. A celebration of life will be at Chancellor Funeral Home in Florence. Memorial service will be May 20, 2018. Garrard donated his body to medical science.

He was preceded in death by his dad, Lee Garrard; stepdad, David Grace; beloved friend Garry Smith; grandparents, Powell and Lula McKenzie Compton of the Salem community, aunt, Jewel Compton Watkins; and uncle, James Compton.

He is survived by his mother, Jean Garrard Grace (a graduate of Salem High School), brother Rocky Garrard, (Robin); special cousin, Chad Daniel (Selena); special cousin, Dot Pezant of Tylertown; special aunt, Ina Grace Housley.

Garrard lived in south Jackson and Clinton for many years, graduating from Clinton High School in 1993. He worked for Jitney Jungle, Walmart, Ameristar Casino and Kroger. He loved baseball and the Chicago Cubs, gambling, animals and fishing.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to a charitable organization in his memory.



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Charles Allen Stogner

Jan. 7, 1962 - May 9, 2018

Graveside services for Charles Allen Stogner, 56, were May 12, 2018, with Rev. Mike Anderson officiating, burial in the Spence Cemetery.

Stogner died at his residence in Tylertown May 9, 2018. He was born Jan. 7, 1962, in Bogalusa. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Pigott and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stogner; and a brother Jason Lucky.

He was a member of Sauls Street Baptist Church and had been a machine operator for Jones Lumber. Allen enjoyed going to the creek, grilling and cooking out, watching movies and listening to classic rock.

Survivors include his mother Glenda Pigott Lucky; his father Charlie Stogner; sisters Jessica Lucky-Ethridge (Dean), and Theresa Crain (Roger); brothers Richie Stogner, Everette Stogner, Danny Stogner, Chris Stogner, and Kyle Stogner (Jenny); nephews and nieces David Stogner, Donovan Stogner, Devin Stogner, Brooke Crain, Wes Crain, and Lyla Crain.

Pallbearers were Dean Ethridge, David Stogner, Donovan Stogner, Devin Stogner, Chris Stogner and Richie Stogner.

Capps Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. Family and friends may sign the online guest book at www.hartmanhughesfuneralhome.com



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Dorothy Townsend

June 20, 1932 - May 6, 2018

Dorothy Day Rayborn Townsend, 85, died May 6, 2018, at her residence in Jayess. She was born June 20, 1932, in Jayess to Herschel and Alma Day Rayborn.

The service was at Jayess Baptist Church in Jayess with graveside services following in Providence Baptist Church Cemetery, Jayess. Bro. James Sanders, Bro. James Taylor, Bro. Scott Johnson officiated, with Wilson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Townsend was a gifted individual who shared her knowledge through teaching throughout life. Her official teaching positions include teacher at the Columbia Training School and McComb City Schools. She was also the business owner of Whispering Pines Ceramics of Jayess and Reflections of McComb. She was the manager of the Summit TWL. Mrs. Townsend served as a trustee for the Pike, Amite, and Walthall Library System. She also served as Scooter Mouse's administrative assistant. She was an artist, potter, florist, avid reader and Bible scholar. She and her husband, Roger, celebrated 68 years of marriage on April 30 of this year.

Surviving are her husband Roger G. Townsend of Jayess; daughters Nancy Taylor (James) of Perry, FL; Sophia Bratkovich (Vincent) of Jayess; grandchildren William Thomas (Carly), James Taylor (Samantha), Emily Mitchell (Nick), Kristen Clark (Jacob), Clara Taylor, Lindsey Thomas, Victoria Taylor, Annie Bratkovich and six great grandchildren; brother Jerry Rayborn (Elaine) and sister Linda Easley (Douglas).

Preceding her in death were her parents.

Memorials can be given to her home church, Jayess Baptist.

Wilson Funeral Home of Monticello was in charge of the arrangements. To share condolences visit www.wilsonfuneralhomemonticello.com



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