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He is Risen!

5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

- Mathew 28:5-6



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**Ms. Avery Pearl
Pet Columnist**

Pet Perspective with Ms. Avery Pearl

Ms. Susie

Mimi and Pap went out of town to a place called the beach, again.

Ms Ivory and me didn't get to go, again! Every single time they go to that place, Ms Ivory and me don't get to go.

So, we stay with Ms Susie. She wuffs us and is very good to us. She takes us on golf cart rides, which is one of my favorite things in the whole world. Ms Susie is so sweet but, we still miss Mimi and Pap. After all, there really is no place like home. Eating from our bowl, playing with our toys, sleeping in our beds, chasing the nasty geese invaders back to the water, and playing with Ms Mary. Getting ear scratches, wuffins, and belly rubs from Mimi and Pap, which is the best.

After all, there really is no place like home.

Any-woof, hope everyone stays safe and has a great week.

For more of my Pet Perspective like and follow me on Facebook at Ms Avery Pearl.

Mimi says that I needed a new harness for Spring. Does it make my tail look big?



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The Deer Lodge Abner Ross Center

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Coalfield Genealogical and Historical Society

meet on the
second Tuesday of every month
at the
Senior Citizens Building
at 6:00 PM.

Morgan County Republican Party

meet on the
last Thursday of every month
at 7:00 PM
at the
American Legion in Wartburg.

— In Loving Memory —

Arthur Willis Brown, 90 United States Army Veteran



Arthur Willis Brown, age 90, passed away March 10, 2026 at Life Care of Morgan County.

He is preceded in death by parents Floyd and Martha; first wife (Dixie); son John; step daugh-

ter Malissa and sisters (Merta, Edith, Marie and Rosie).

Arthur is survived by wife Marjorie; sons Wendell Brown of New Market, TN and Jeremiah (Lynn) Brown of Oak Ridge, TN.; 8 grandchildren and many great grandchildren.

Arthur married Dixie Baker in 1965 and was married to her until her death in 1996. They had 3 sons, Wendell, John and Jeremiah. He married Marjorie in 1997.

Arthur was a member of the US Army from the ages of 22-24. He

was a heavy equipment operator with Conner Brothers Excavating for 30 years and had a hand in building many subdivisions in the west Knoxville area. He lived in many different places, including Port Comfort and Yokum Texas as well as Harriman and Knoxville Tennessee. He eventually settled in Deer Lodge, TN.

In his later years, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He loved to cook, spend time in his garden and to sing. He treasured his time as part of the congregation of Pilot Mountain Baptist Church. He had a knack for telling great stories

and was always ready with a "dad joke."

The family will have a graveside service Friday, March 13, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. with Bro. Josh Baldwin officiating in the Island Ford Cemetery in Lancing.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Arthur Willis Brown.

James Bauer, 79 United States Army Veteran



James Bauer
October 2, 1947 —
February 19, 2026
Sunbright

James Robert Bauer, age 79, gained his wings February 19, 2026 at Methodist Medical Center with his family by his side. James was born October 2, 1947 in Erie Pennsylvania to the late Walter and Margaret (Pistner) Bauer of Erie, PA. James proudly served his country in the US Army. He was a hard working man with a great work ethic and a long work history at Bell South and

had a huge passion for hunting and woodworking.

He was preceded in death by his loving parents, Walter and Margaret (Pistner) Bauer; and in-laws, Aramadao and Elizabeth Argentina.

James is survived by his loving wife of 44 years, Jean Bauer "His Honey"; children: Scott (Erica) Bauer of AZ, Mark Murray of GA, Sheri Harris of Munford, AL, and Stephen (Misty) Bauer of TN; sisters, Ann Glasspell of PA and Linda Bauman of PA; 7 grandchildren and his longtime friend and chosen brother, Bill Podewils of Sunbright, TN.

A memorial service will be held in James's honor on March 1, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. at American Legion Post 149, 202 S Kingston St. Wartburg, TN, 37887.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of James Robert Bauer.

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William "Bill" Phillips, 55



William "Bill" Phillips, age 55 of Deer Lodge passed away Friday, February 20, 2026 at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville.

He is preceded in death by his father Robert Alton Phillips; special friend Steve Gunter.

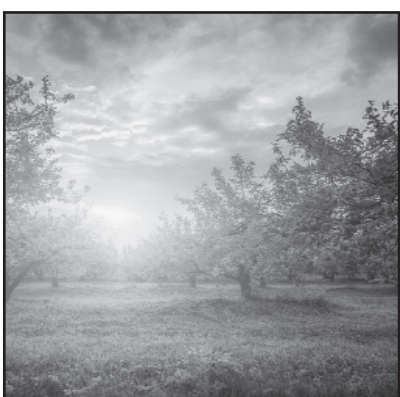
He is survived by his parents Peggy and Butch Aytes; children Kailyn (Logan) Simmons, Kelsey Phillips and fiancé Adam Pass; step sons Dylan Hughett, Shade Underwood; fiancé Amie Underwood; grandchildren Sophia,

Liam, Oaklynn, Hunter; brother Barry (Diana) Phillips; step brothers Steven Aytes (Holly), Ken Aytes; step sister Crystale Aytes; special friend Donna Gunter and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, and uncles.

The family will receive friends Sunday, February 22, 2026 at Schubert Funeral Home from 1:00-3:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 3:00 p.m. with Bro. Robert Freels and Bro. Tyler Trout officiating. Graveside services will be Monday at 11:00 a.m. in the Frankfort Cemetery in Lancing.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of William "Bill" Phillips.

Jimmy Gale Brown, 73



Jimmy Gale Brown of Burrville passed away March 22, 2026 at Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. He was born

October 27, 1952 to Calvin and Janie (Josie) Jones Brown.

He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents Sim Carson and Artie (Fairchild) Brown, Dillard and Ova Jones and a host of aunts and uncles and extended family.

He leaves behind his sister Cheryl Long; nephew Jeremy Long; great nephew Calvin Long and stepson Michael Rodgers; cousin Barbara Brown and a host of aunts and special friends.

Special Thanks to Covenant Hospice for their care and support. Schubert Funeral Home for their support and compassion.

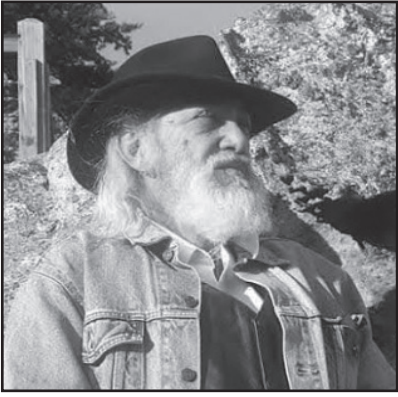
Graveside services will be Saturday, March 28, 2026 from 12:30-1:00 p.m. in the Mt. Vernon Cemetery in Burrville.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Jimmy Gale Brown.



— In Loving Memory —

Phillip Ray Detrick, 64



Mr. Phillip Ray Detrick, age 64, of Sunbright passed away Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at his home in Sunbright.

He is preceded in death by his father, Larry Stolzenburg Sr.,

his mother, Betty McDaniel, his brother, Larry (Duck) Detrick, his nephew Jason Detrick, and his brother-in-law Cody Marmon.

He is survived by his wife, Jennifer Detrick; children Jay (Kaleigh Brock) Hawn, Cameron (Mickie) Robbins, and Phillip Detrick Jr.; his special granddaughter Jayde Robbins, and eagerly anticipated grandson Kolton Hawn. Also surviving are his step-father Paul Ed McDaniel, his step-mother Roberta Stolzenburg, his sister Pat (Keith) Wilcox, his loving family of in-laws; Robin and Linda Marmon, Greg and Robyn Bunch, Sean and Tori Marmon,

and a host of nieces and nephews and close friends that will greatly miss him!

Extra thanks to special family friend Marcie Brookman for all the help she gave to make Phil's final days comfortable. The family cannot begin to name all of Phil's friends that have been there for him at the end, but we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Phil was an avid sportsman! He loved to collect guns and knives, go fishing, and hunt when he was able. He had a gruff exterior but was a very loving family

man who never took those that cared for him for granted. He was quick to joke with anyone that would stop to talk.

The family will receive friends Friday, February 27, 2026 at Schubert Funeral Home from 12:00-2:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 2:00 p.m. with Military Honors.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mr. Phillip Ray Detrick.

Phyllis Seiber, 79



Phyllis Seiber, age 79, passed away on February 23, 2026 surrounded by her family.

She is proceeded in death by her parents, Noble and Aliene Stringer; brother, Paul Stringer and sister, Sandra Faye Ledford.

She is survived by her daughter, Lisa (Jimmy) West of Mossy Grove; Son, Doyle (Vicky) Seiber of Clinton.

Devoted partner of 25 years, CL Patterson.

Grandkids, Ryan (Brooke) Jackson of Oliver Springs; Taylen Jackson of Mossy Grove; Alison (Cameron) Seiber of Oak Ridge.

Great-Grandchildren, Lily, Savannah, Tommy "Boy", Bailey and Beckham.

As well as a host of special cousins, nieces and nephews.

Phyllis was a member of Petros Baptist Church.

She worked at Red Kap for several years then on to Methodist Medical Center.

Phyllis loved The Lord, her family, to travel, laugh, and have a good time.

She never met a stranger. If you were friends with Phyllis, you had a true friend. She will be so missed by all that knew and loved her.

The family will receive friends Thursday, February 26, 2026 at Schubert Funeral Home from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 7:00 p.m. with Bro. David Seiber officiating. Graveside services will be Friday at 11:00 a.m. in the New Petros Cemetery in Petros.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Phyllis Seiber.

Stella Bunch Kelly, 100



Stella Bunch Kelly age 100 passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 28, 2026. Stella grew up in Coalfield and was a true Coalminer's daughter. She was born on January 15, 1926 to the late Walter and Lillie Bunch. She served her country during WWII as a Calutron Girl at the Y-12 plant. Her husband, 2 brothers and 4 brothers-in-laws all served overseas during WWII. She was a very dedicated Christian always working in her Church and teaching many Sunday School Classes. She took pride in her ability to raise her 3 children by working off the land to provide for them. Between milking a cow and making butter and cheese, to raising a garden and canning vegetables, fruit and meat, she provided most of the food for her family. As her children grew, she started working. She worked many years as a Head Start teacher and was very proud and honored to volunteer at the Methodist Medical Center's Coronary Rehabilitation Facility.

She was preceded in death by her parents Walter and Lillie Bunch; husband Clyde; special son-in-law Mark Shelton; sisters Aletha Bunch Spainhour and Florence Bunch Worthington; and brothers, Harvey, Isaac, Paul and James Bunch. She is survived by brother Earl Bunch; daughter Brenda Shelton; sons C.A. (Marcia) and Gary (Kathy); grandsons Stephen, Darren (Jess), Joe (Amanda), Patrick (Heather), and John (Jessi); 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends Monday, March 2, 2026, from 12:00 until 2:00 pm Schubert Funeral Home, Wartburg. Funeral services will follow at 2:00 pm with Ronny Jones officiating. Internment will follow in the Union Cemetery, Wartburg, TN.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105. 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Stella Bunch Kelly.

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— In Loving Memory —

Shirley June Woods, 78



She is survived by her husband, Noah “Junior” Woods; sister, Veina Marlow; brother, Richard McCoy; sons, Terry (Wilma) Woods and Jason (Lorie Rainey) Woods; grandchildren: Tamira Woods, Jailynn Woods, Teegan Woods, Dawson White, Aaron White, and Grayson Woods; great-granddaughter, Autumn Woods; nephew, Mike (Tina) McCoy and great-nephew, Joe McCoy; niece, Haley (Jesse) Laymance and great-niece and nephew, Olivia and Jaxson Laymance.

Shirley June Woods passed peacefully surrounded by her family on March 21, 2026. She was born April 7, 1947. She was a graduate of Wartburg Central High School, Class of 1965. She was a Special Education teacher at Petros Joyner Elementary School for many years where she taught with kindness, love and compassion, making sure all of her students felt understood. She was a loving grandmother to all 6 of her grandkids and her great-granddaughter, all of whom she loved spending time with.

The family will receive friends Monday March 23 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg with the funeral to follow at 1:00 pm, Bro. Jason Lowe officiating. The graveside service will immediately follow at Union Cemetery in Joyner.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Shirley June Woods.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Veina “Mae” McCoy; infant brother, George William McCoy; and infant sister, “Baby Girl” McCoy.

Jessica Nicole Coffey Chasteen, 43



memory will be treasured by all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by her husband, Michael Paul Chasteen; her sons, Ashton Michael Chasteen and Gavin Liam Chasteen; her mother, Brenda Coffey Hamby; her father, Timothy Coffey; and her brothers, Josh Coffey and Jeremy Coffey.

Jessica Nicole Coffey Chasteen, age 43, of Princeton, Texas, passed away on March 15, 2026.

Jessica was born on August 14, 1982, in Rock Springs, Wyoming, to Brenda Coffey Hamby and Timothy Coffey. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, cherished daughter, and dear friend. Jessica was employed as an Administrator with Aunt Mae’s Home Care, where she faithfully served others with compassion, kindness, and dedication.

The family will receive friends on Monday, March 23, 2026, from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg, Tennessee. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 PM at Roane Memorial Gardens in Rockwood, Tennessee.

Jessica will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who knew her.

“Happiness can be found in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light.”

She will be remembered for her loving heart, selfless nature, and the care she gave so freely to those around her. Jessica touched many lives through both her work and her every day acts of kindness, and her

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Jessica Nicole Coffey Chasteen.

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Psalm 123:1

**Unto thee lift I up mine eyes,
O thou that dwellest in the heavens.**



Lewis Phillips, 87



Lewis is survived by his wife of 63 years Norma Faye; son Eric; grandson Kendall (Savannah); great grandson Nolan and great granddaughter on the way. He is also survived by his sister Lu Bullard (Bill); one niece; eight nephews and a host of great nieces and great nephews.

A graduate of Sunbright High School, Lewis retired from Highland Telephone with 41 years’ service. He loved reminiscing about his many years of employment, and the time spent with his fellow employees.

The family will receive friends Thursday, March 26, 2026 at Schubert Funeral Home from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 7:00 p.m. with Bro. Wayne Matthews officiating. Graveside services will be Friday at 11:00 a.m. in the Mt. Hope Cemetery in Deer Lodge.

Those we love don’t go away they walk beside us every day – unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed and very dear.

He is preceded in death by his parents Charlie and Mable Phillips; siblings Geneva Phillips, Mary Meyers (Quteen), Charles (Junie) Phillips, and nephew Jack Meyers. Also preceding him are father and mother-in-law Sam and Marjorie Brown; brother-in-law Wayne (Betty) Brown.

Lewis was special in his love for his family, friends, and neighbors. He was a member of Chestnut Ridge Community Chapel.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Lewis Phillips.

Lewis Phillips, age 87, of Deer Lodge passed away on March 23, 2026 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center.

A great outdoorsman and loved hunting, fishing, gardening and working around the house. He enjoyed traveling and was blessed to have visited all but five states.

— In Loving Memory —

Roy G. Young Sr., 77



and Wesley Chambers of Robbins and Many other family and friends.

Roy retired from the Scott County Schools as a bus driver and as a farmer in the Robbins Community. He was an avid hunter and gardener. He loved his church family at Mt Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church.

Roy G. Young, Sr. departed this life on March 25, 2026, at his home in Robbins Tn. He was born on July 2, 1948, in Sunbright, TN.

He is preceded in death by the love of his life Sharlyn Thompson Young; parents, Alpha Maiden Young and William Gilbert Young, Sr. of the Mill Creek Community in Morgan County. He is also preceded by his sister Neva Edwards and her husband JD of Wartburg TN.; sister Willie Lane Young of Sunbright, TN., William Gilbert Young, Jr. and wife Wilda of Sunbright, TN.; nephew David Edwards of Wartburg, TN.

He is survived by son, Roy G. Young Jr of Sunbright, TN.; brother James E. Young and wife Glenda Jo of Sunbright, TN.; nephews, Don Edwards and Wife Donetta of Sunbright, and Danny Young and wife Joyce of Sunbright Tn.; nieces Kay Austin and husband Andy of Summerville SC, and Loretta and husband Bob, of Sunbright TN. Roy is also survived by special Friends, Jimmy Byrd, Danny Perry, Joe Storey

The family would like to thank Dr. Robert B Lowe and his staff for their care and compassion in his final illness. Brenda Smith and Colby Brooks with Quality Hospice as well as all the other nurses and staff at Quality Hospice, and Home Health. We would like to thank Nanette Goodman and Jennifer Kidd for their care and compassion in dads final days. We would also like to thank the members at Mt. Pleasant MB for their compassion and support to Roy in his later years. Jimmy Byrd and daughter Sarah for the singing as well as minister Don Edwards.

The family will receive friends Sunday, March 29, 2026 at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church in Robbins from 4:00-6:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 6:00 p.m. with Bro. Don Edwards officiating. Graveside services will be Monday at 11:00 a.m. in the Diamond Cemetery in Robbins.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Roy G. Young, Sr.

Becky Lynn Galloway, 65



way Harris (Mark), Julie (Chris) Harden
Special friends – Terri Lynn Purdum (cousin), Pam Young Jones and Melody Brown Hill as well as several nieces, nephews and friends.

Becky was a loving wife, mother, grandma, sister, and friend. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star where she held many offices. She had recently retired from Daycab Company of Rockwood. She will be remembered for her beautiful crafts, loving gifts, and her bubbly personality. She was also known for being the gracious hostess of the Annual Galloway Family Reunion.

Becky wanted to express her heartfelt "Thank you" to all the friends and family that have helped her on her journey. Special thanks to SHOC (Survivors Helping Others Cope Cancer Support Group), UT Hospice nurses – Buffi and Olivia and Schubert Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends Monday, March 30, 2026 at Schubert Funeral Home from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 7:00 p.m. with Rev. Amy Probst and Bro. Frank Kirby officiating. Graveside services will be Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Sunbright Cemetery in Sunbright.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mrs. Becky Lynn Galloway.

Mrs. Becky Lynn Galloway, age 65 of Sunbright, Tn., passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at her home surrounded by her family.

She is preceded in death by:
Father – Sam R. James
Mother – Evelyn C. Galloway
Brother – Scott D. Galloway
Grandparents – John and Isabelle Nitzschke, John and Arie James
Mother-in-law Dolores Galloway
Brother-in-law Jerry Kirby

She is survived by:
Husband – Clifton E. Galloway
Sons – Dewayne (Lauran) Gentry and Chad Gentry
Daughter – Stacey (Jared) Sellers
Grandchildren – Keelan and Braylee Sellers
Step-father – Roger (Jane) Galloway
Brothers – Sam (Kelly) James, Fred (Teresa) James
Sister – Debbie (Steve) Davis
Stepsister – Emily (Bill) Miller, Savannah (Jacob) Reynolds
Brother-in-law – Frank (Donna) Kilby
Sisters-in-law – Trudi Gallo-

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He is not here: for he is risen, as he said.
Come, see the place where the Lord lay.
Matthew 28:6

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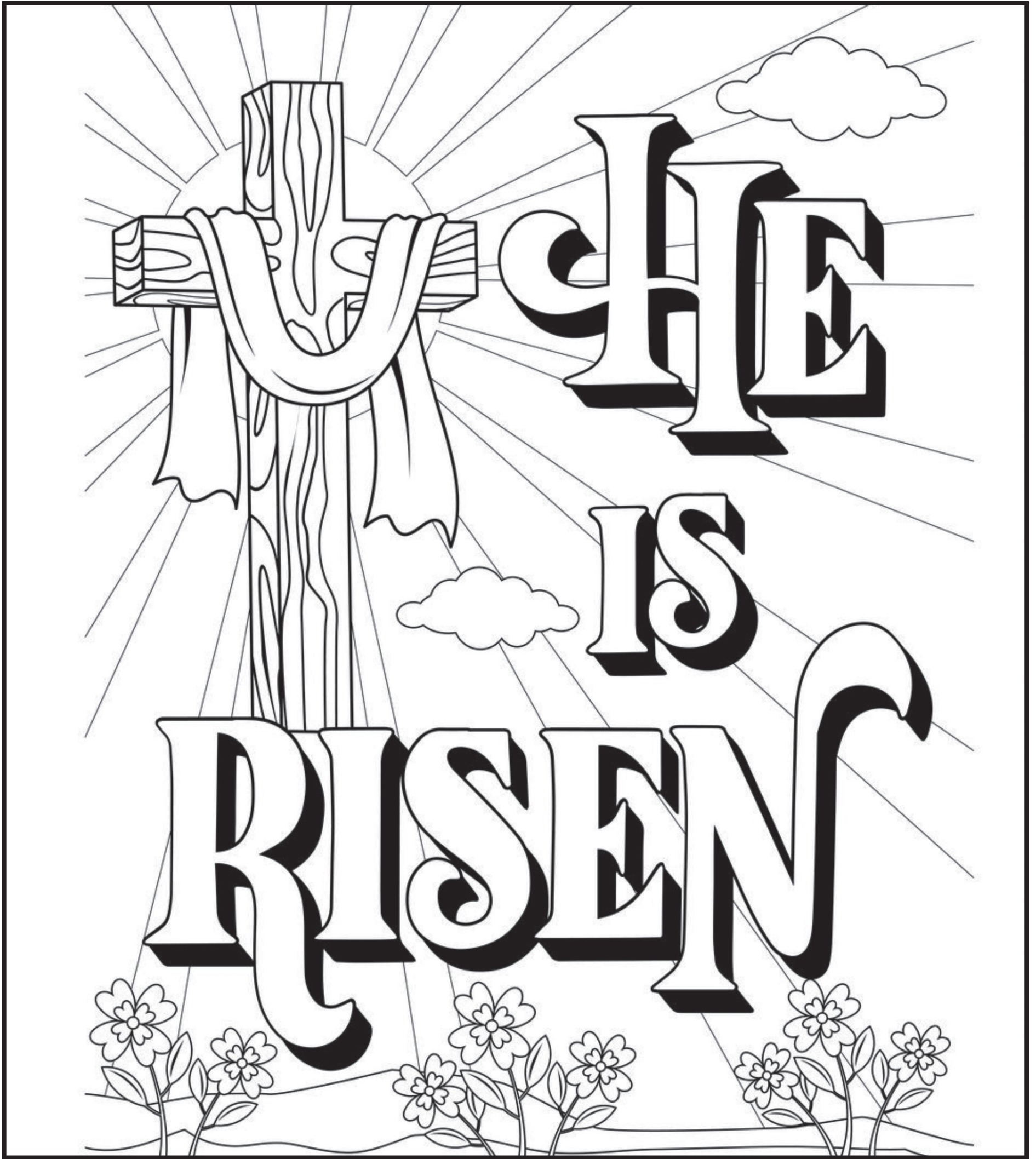
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Billy Glen Kennedy is running, with purpose and a vision. But he's not running for any political office; instead, Kennedy is in the midst of running marathon races in all 50 states.

When I spoke with Billy Glen in his office at Schubert Funeral Home, where he spends much of his time as owner/operator, Kennedy was getting ready to go on the next day, February 26, to Las Cruces, New Mexico and participate in what would be his 36th state. He told the Morgan County Today, "This race in New Mexico will complete the so called 'four corners' of states, also consisting of Colorado, Arizona and Nevada." He added that as he checked the weather upcoming for New Mexico, "It looks like we'll have a great day to run in, plenty of sun and over 80 degrees."

Kennedy said, "I started in the year 2000, and have gotten to see a lot of our country so far." Even after getting knee replacement surgery a few years ago, Billy Glen has stayed on track, and stated that through the years his running time to complete a 26.2 mile marathon has stayed fairly consistent, at about 3 hours, 55 minutes to 4:10.

Among the 14 states Kennedy has left, he said, "I have several on the East Coast, including Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware and Maine. Then, I have Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and 7 other states before I will have run in all 50."

Billy Glen said after running his first marathon in Chicago 25 years ago, he remembers, "At first I thought I would never do this again, but after a few days I was ready to do another one."

Kennedy is saving two iconic races, the New York and the Boston Marathons to be the last two he runs in, along with over 40,000 other racers. "I want to leave those two for last," he said. Billy Glen Kennedy has a plan to join that "50 State Club" fairly soon. "I hope to finish my goal of running in every state in the next two years," he told the Morgan County Today. And with what he has accomplished so far, there's every reason to believe that he will.

TIGER PROWL 5K



MARCH 14, 2026



Saturday, March 14, 2026, the Sunbright Track and Field Team hosted their 3rd Annual Tiger Prowl 5K. This year's 5K was sponsored by Davis Insurance, Schubert Funeral Home, Summit Medical Group, WECO Radio, Ridgeview, Citizens Gas, Apothecare Pharmacy, and Roane State Community College Morgan County.

It was a beautiful morning with a great turnout. There were 64 participants who ran or walked.

The men's 5K winners of the day were as follows:
1st Mixon Thomas, 2nd place Silas Adkisson, and 3rd place Morgan Flowers.

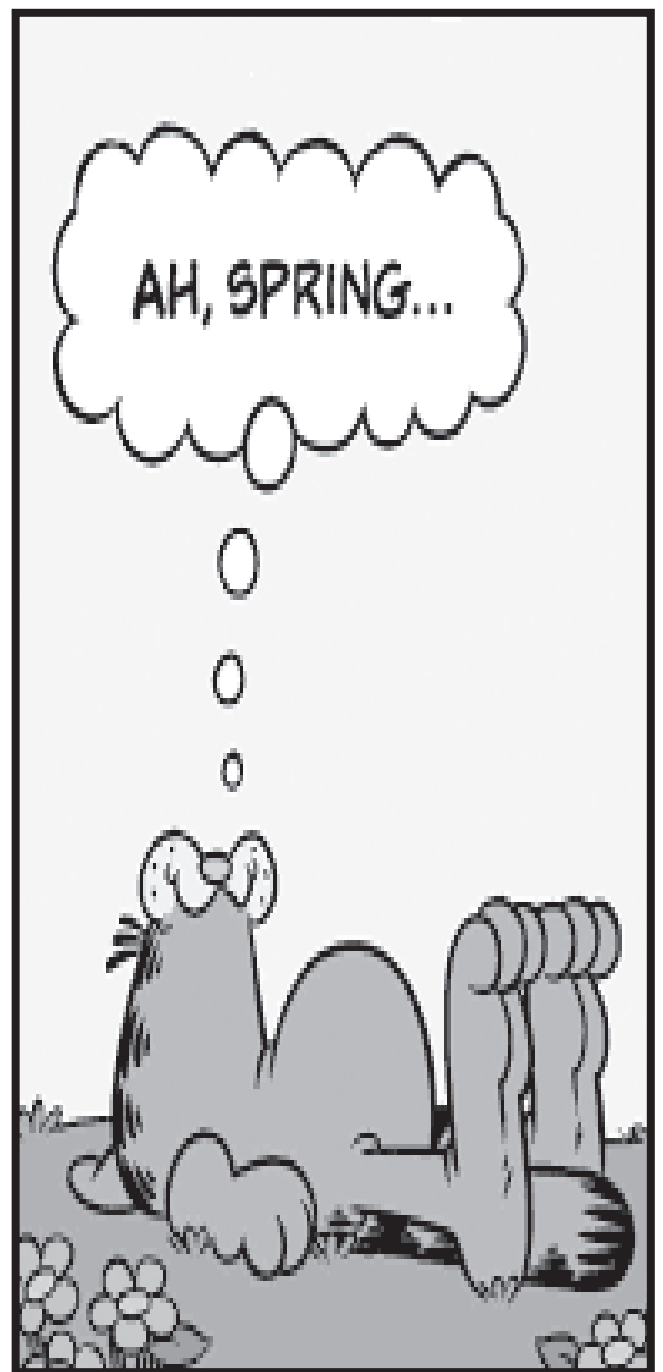
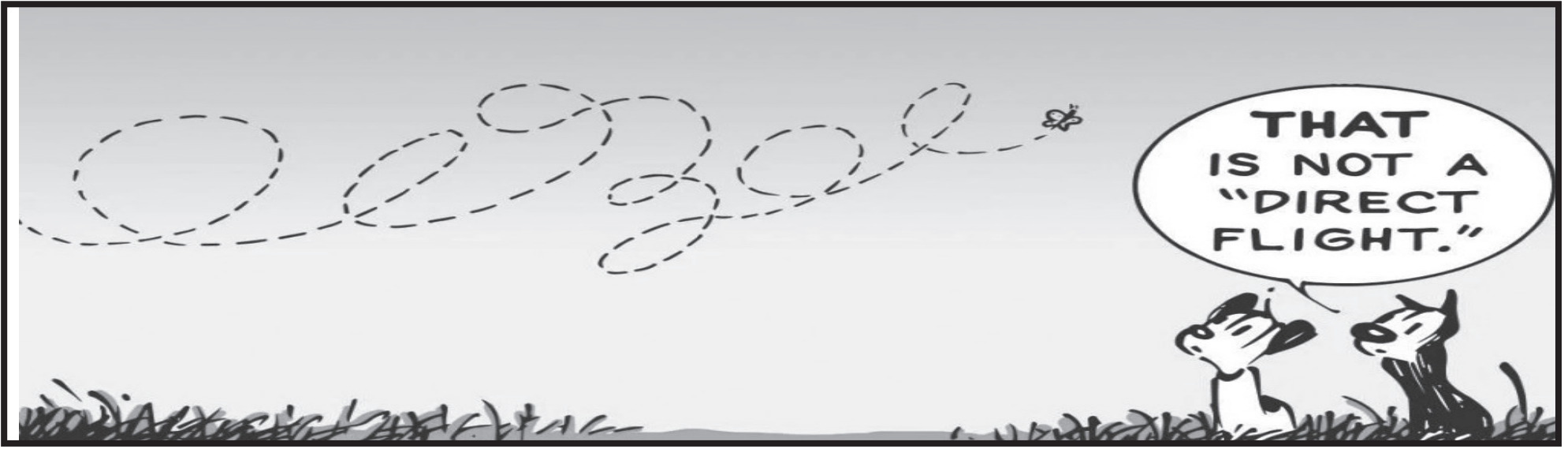
The women's 5K winners of the day were as follows:
1st place Meghan Dagley, 2nd place Elaine Walden, and 3rd place Kendra Flowers.

There were also age division winners presented on Saturday.

The Track and Field Team is very thankful to the sponsors and participants for making this a great team fundraiser and a fun event!
- Tara Y. England, Sunbright School, Assistant Principal, Track &



(Pictured are individual pictures of the overall male and female winners, start line, and all winners.)



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Historically Speaking Community Invited to 3rd Annual K-25 Workers Reunion/ Hootenanny and History Celebration

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

Here is an annual event you do not want to miss! It is a growing annual reunion, and the community is invited for the first time this year.

Former workers of the historic K-25 Gaseous Diffusion Plant and community members alike are invited to attend the 3rd Annual K-25 Workers Reunion/Hootenanny, a celebration honoring the people and history behind one of the most important facilities of the Manhattan Project, the Cold War, and nuclear power.

The event will take place Saturday, April 25, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and is open to the public.

Pre-register at: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/k25reunion2026>

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Hosted by the American Museum of Science and Energy, the reunion is presented in partnership with Quality Family, Clinch River Home Healthcare, Cold War Patriots, Centrus, and Enrichment Federal Credit Union. The event is designed to bring together former employees, their families, and the wider community to celebrate the legacy of K-25 and the role it played in shaping world history.

The K-25 facility was a critical part of the Manhattan Project during World War II, contributing to the uranium enrichment process that helped bring the war to an end. Today, the site serves as a place of remembrance and education, and the annual reunion helps keep the stories of those who worked there alive for future generations.

This year's Reunion/Hootenanny promises a full afternoon of entertainment and activities for visitors of all ages. Attendees can enjoy live music, face painting, bingo, and a car show hosted by the Fast and Classy Car Club. The local fire department will also provide a popular "Touch-A-Truck" experience, allowing children and families to explore emergency vehicles up close. A variety of vendors will also be on site throughout the day.

Guests can also explore the site's history with free admission to the museum and the newly opened William J. Wilcox, Jr. K-25 Interpretative Center during the event. The Atomic History Campus at K-25 is becoming a tourist destination, and as the final touches go onto the K-25 Building footprint of flagpoles to mark the height and location of the building corners, even more detail can be easily understood.

The view from the Wilcox K-25 Interpretive Center platform also includes a view of Kairos Power's new buildings for the Hermes Small Modular Reactor. Kairos Power is constructing its Hermes low-power demonstration reactor with operations targeted for 2026. The project, supported by the U.S. Department of Energy and partnering with TVA and Google, aims to advance fluoride salt-cooled, high-temperature technology, creating 55+ jobs.

Also visible from the viewing platform is the location of Radiant Energy on the former K-27 building location. It is good to see the transition taking place at this historic Heritage Center of the East Tennessee Technology Park, or the former K-25 site, as most of us still refer to it.

The Manhattan Project National Historical Park will place wayside historical markers

that will describe the history of gaseous diffusion at the K-25 site. Access to the footprint will eventually be available to the public. The footprint is part of the MAPR (this is the Park Services' acronym for our park) and is the most readily accessible physical portion. The Graphite Reactor, Building 9731, and Building 9204-3 (Beta 3) are not readily accessible yet.

Portal 4 is being prepared for public access to serve as the entry point for the Atomic History Campus at K-25. The Community Reuse Organization of East Tennessee has refurbished Portal 4 and the surrounding area, including the parking lot. A sculpture garden has been created to recognize many of the individuals who supported CROET over the years.

The building has been named for Robert Brown, who was a primary figure in the Department of Energy responsible for enabling the reuse of the land at K-25. The concept has caught on and is now a part of the reason Oak Ridge is becoming the Nuclear Renaissance center for the nation.

Alan Lowe, Executive Director and CEO of the AMSE Foundation, had this to say about the Atomic History Campus at K-25: "The K-25 Gaseous Diffusion Plant played a historic role in the story not just of Oak Ridge but of the entire world. Constructed during the Manhattan Project, when it stood as the largest facility in the world, the plant processed uranium for use in national defense and nuclear power plants until 1985 when the enrichment process was stopped, and in 1987, the process was placed in cold standby and plans for shutdown/deactivation and eventual demolition began. You can say the atomic age started in that mammoth facility, and those that grew up around it in Oak Ridge.

"Today, K-25 and those other facilities are gone, and the entire site has been expertly remediated by the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management and their contractors, including United Cleanup Oak Ridge. What stands on that property now is a wonderful combination of the past, present, and future. Looking at today and tomorrow, it serves as the center of the nuclear renaissance as a host of nuclear-energy related companies have made the renamed "Heritage Center" their home. But the history of place remains and is honored in both the K-25 Atomic History Center and the William J. Wilcox K-25 Interpretive Center, both managed by the American Museum of Science and Energy Foundation (AMSEF) as part of their "Atomic History Campus."

"Now those facilities are being joined by a third also managed by AMSEF. The Portal #4 gatehouse facility, remembered by so many who worked on the site, has been renovated and donated to AMSEF by the Community Reuse Organization of East Tennessee (CROET).

"Designed to serve as a welcome center to the entire site, the renovated Portal #4 includes an exhibit, a museum store, a coffee shop offering drinks and treats, and space for food trucks. In



Crowd under the big tent (Courtesy of Jennifer Lee)

addition, again thanks to CROET, the Portal includes a display featuring a 1943 Willys Jeep. Just across Enrichment Street from the Portal on land also donated by CROET, AMSEF is establishing a partnership with the Southern Appalachia Railway Museum (SARM) to create a display of train cars and engines, given the very important role the rails played at the site over the years.

"Originally, many entry portals controlled access to the very secret site. Starting in 1954, those were consolidated into this new portal. From then until 2008, Portal #4 controlled access to the area, serving as an entry point for employees and visitors alike.

"When the plant was fully operational, several other buildings, six in total, made up portal #4, but now only the gatehouse remains. The turnstiles in that gatehouse have witnessed over the years a cross-section of Americans going to work, advancing our nuclear future, and serving our nation. The AMSE Foundation is very grateful that CROET saved the portal, renovated it so wonderfully, and gave it to us so we can share it with you."

Jennifer Lee, Director of Development for the AMSE Foundation had this to say, "The spirit of K-25 is alive and well in Oak Ridge and nowhere is that more evident than in the overwhelming excitement surrounding this year's K-25 Reunion & Hootenanny. From the local sponsors who didn't hesitate to raise their hands in support, to the members of the public eager to step onto this historic campus, to the passionate people behind our event committee who believe this story deserves to be told for generations to come, the energy around this event says everything about what K-25 means to this community, and it's easy to understand why.

"The K-25 Gaseous Diffusion Plant wasn't just a facility. It was a community. Generations of families gave their careers, their ingenuity, and their dedication to work that shaped the course of history — work that many of them couldn't even speak about for years. The legacy they built together is woven into the very fabric of this city, and it deserves to be honored, preserved, and shared with the world.

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“What excites us most about this year’s reunion is how much it has grown, not just in size, but in purpose. We’re welcoming more of the public than ever before, bringing new and familiar faces in the nuclear and energy industries into the conversation, and creating space for those living memories to reach a whole new generation. The reunion remains at the soul of this event, but the story of K-25 is too important to keep to ourselves.

“That spirit is not a relic. It lives in every person who worked those halls and in everyone who refuses to let this legacy fade. We cannot wait to welcome them all back on April 25th — and to share this incredible story with those who are discovering it for the very first time.”

Several special giveaways and refreshments are planned for attendees. Free food vouchers will be provided to the first 250 former K-25 employees and one guest each, with registration, as well as the first 250 non-employees, with registration, who attend.

In addition, free desserts while supplies last. Visitors can also look forward to free event T-shirts, prize giveaways, and complimentary goodie bags while supplies last.

The reunion is about more than just fun activities—it’s also about honoring the workers whose efforts helped change the course of history,

“This reunion is a chance for the community to come together, remember the incredible work that took place at K-25, and recognize the men and women who were part of that effort,” Pam Toon said. “We invite everyone to come out, enjoy the day, and learn more about the vital role the plant played in ending World War II, the Cold War, and nuclear power around the world.”

For those interested in local history, community fellowship, and a day of entertainment, April 25, 2026, promises to be both educational and enjoyable.

Come join the celebration and experience the story of K-25 while enjoying a fun-filled day with the community.



Car show (Courtesy of Jennifer Lee)

He is Risen!

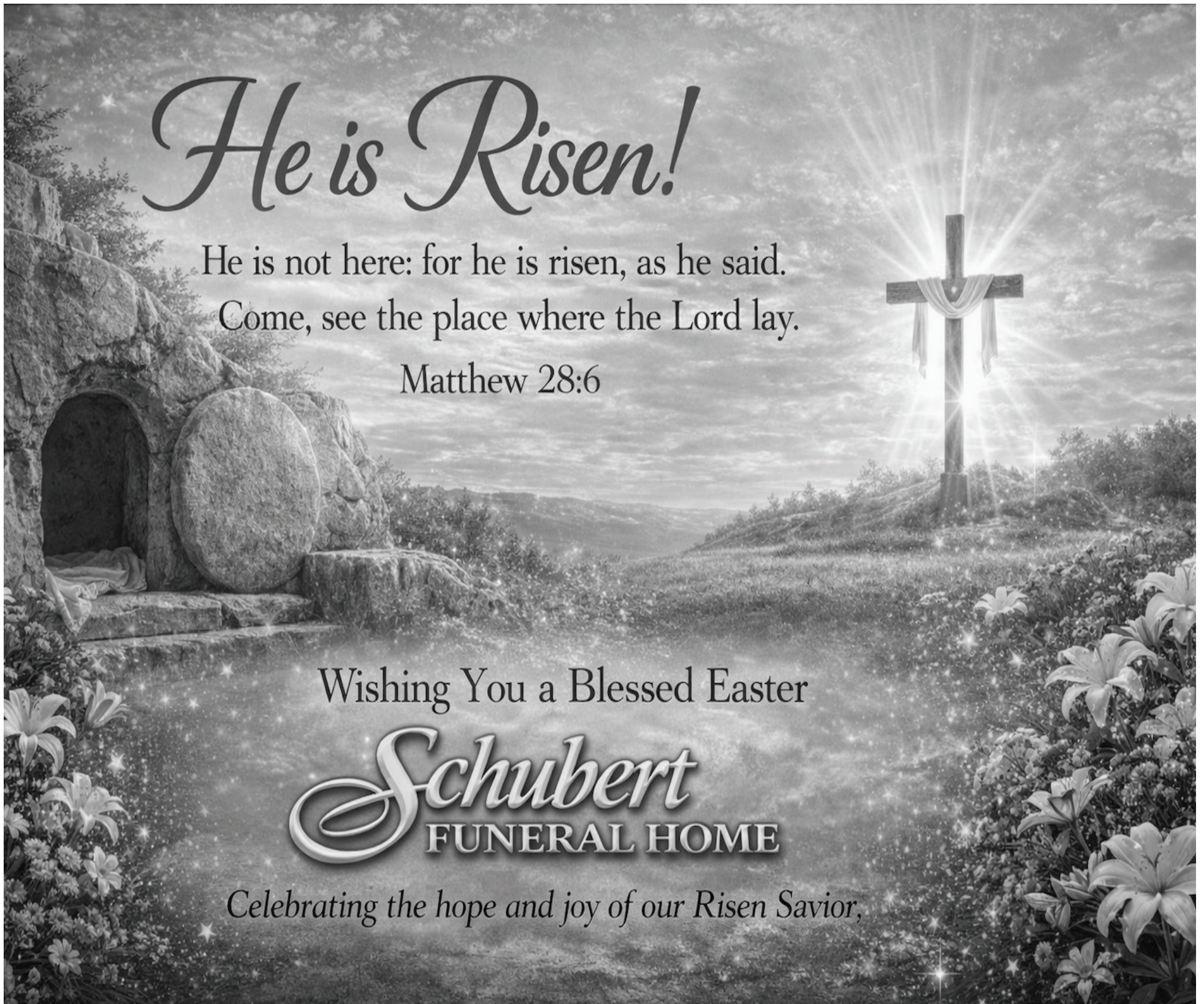
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Romans 11



Melvin Howard

(Romans 11:1-10) Israel's rejection and the remnant: at the end of the previous chapter, Paul described national Israel as a disobedient people. This section begins with the question: "Does this mean that God has cast off his people?" Absolutely not. At least not entirely. Surely not indiscriminately! The apostle himself is an example. He is of the seed of Abraham. So God did not cast off his people whom he foreknew. The apostle had already identified these people as Christians (8:29-30; 9:6-8). They subsequently are depicted as the "remnant according to the election of grace" (v.5).

As this discussion is begun, we must emphatically state that neither this chapter (which is commonly abused) nor any other in the Bible teaches a "national" conversion of the Jewish people. The reign of God was to be removed from physical Israel and replaced by a new nation, a spiritual Israel (Mt. 21:43; Gal. 6:16; 1 Peter 2:9). Paul's identity with Israel (v. 1) is a blend of his ethnic history and the new Israel---not the Israel that is castigated in this very segment of Scripture. I have discussed this matter in detail in my commentary, *Jeremiah & Lamentations*.

The prophet Elijah is mentioned. He lamented the fact that all faithful Hebrews seemingly had vanished---except him! He was wrong. God had thousands yet who had not capitulated to idolatry (v. 2-4). There was at this time (Acts 3:24; Rom. 8:18) a "remnant according to the election of grace." Note: (a) "Remnant" signifies a fragment, a minority of the whole. (b) These are they who have been "elected," an expression for the redeemed (1 Pet. 1:1; 2:4, 6, 9; 1:18; 22-23). It has nothing to do with the alleged unconditional election of Calvinism. First-century Jewish converts were the remnant. (c) The election process is the result of God's grace (Tit. 3:4-7). If salvation is of grace, it is not of works. Not by the works of the law of Moses, or any other legalistic system (2:20, 28), or by works of human merit (Eph. 2:8-9). A misunderstanding of this text has led many down the dead-end road of unconditional salvation---a terrible misguided conclusion. This context, however, does not nullify the necessity of obedience to divine commands in the Christian dispensation (Acts 2:38; 10:48; Rom. 6:17).

Physical Israel was obsessed with "seeking" a righteous standing before God (9:30-10:3), but they "obtained (it) not" because they imagined that such was to be found in legalism (Gal. 5:4). The elect did obtain it, because in yielding to Christ, they were credited with righteousness that resulted from his sacrificial death (3:21). Tragically, "the rest" (the non-elect)---those not of the remnant---were hardened (v. 7). In what sense were they hardened? (a) God may be said to have hardened them by making demands upon them they refused to obey; (b) they hardened themselves by the choices they made, and God merely permitted (not forced) them to exercise their free will to disobey him (Jer. 4:10; Ezek. 20:25). Several Old Testament texts are quoted to establish that the stubbornness of Hebrew rebellion was prophesied centuries earlier (v. 8-10; Dt. 29:4; Isa. 29:10; Psa. 69:22).

Romans 11:11-16) hope yet for Jewish conversions: Paul concedes that Israel "stumbled," but was their fall fatal? Certainly not. At least it did not have to be. There was still time and opportunity for salvation in Christ, if they could be convinced of gospel truth (v. 11). Even their fall, however, was not totally void of benefit. As a result of their initial rejection, apostolic attention was turned toward the Gentiles, who more readily embraced the truth regarding Christ. This in turn provoked the Jews to jealousy, stimulation their interest in the gospel. How marvelous is God's plan. Jewish rejection worked toward Gentile acceptance, which in turn provoked Jewish interest! Paul speaks of Israel's "loss" and then also of their "fulness" (v. 12). The term "fulness" is employed by dispensationalists as a proof point for the idea that there will be a future national conversion of the Jews. The theory is bereft of biblical evidence. "Fulness" is the opposite of "loss." If the Jewish rejection of the gospel was indirectly a great blessing to the world of Gentiles, how much more would their conversion be valued, should such occur? The point appears to be logical and theoretical, not a prediction. There are too many other text that paint a dismal portrait of the Jewish nation's future (see "always" (v. 10) and "forever" (Matt 21:19).

The apostle now speaks to the Gentile element of his audience. He is thankful that God has granted him opportunity to teach them, especially if his Gentile ministry provokes his fellow Jews to accept Christ. Note the phrase, "some of them" (v. 14). There is no hint of a massive conversion of Jews in that expression. In fact, just the opposite is implied. "Some" is more in tune with the word "remnant." Verse fifteen is complex. It may suggest God's rejection of the Jews would result in the reconciliation of vast numbers of Gentile converts. Also, as a result, "some" Hebrews likewise might be saved (v. 14). If so, he would be supremely happy. In either case, conversions are a "resurrection" of spiritually dead people. Borrowing from Old Testament imagery, Paul affirms that if the "firstfruits" (the original Hebrew converts) are holy, so would be the "lump"---the rest of the harvest (both Jew and Gentile). They would be united in one body. There is no allusion to a national conversion of Israel.

(Romans 11:17-24) warning to the Gentiles: the Jew-Gentile relationship is illustrated from nature. An olive tree had some branches broken off (the rejection of the Jews due to their unbelief), and wild branches were grafted in among them (the inclusion of the Gentile converts); nonetheless, both partake of gospel blessings (v.17). The Gentiles are warned not to boast as if they somehow are superior. They must recall that they owe much to the "root" (Jewish stock). The Gentiles must not mistakenly assume the Jews were "broken off" (rejected) so they might be accepted. No, they were broken off because of their personal "unbelief"; the Gentiles must stand firm if they are to maintain their faith. They should be most thankful. How can anyone possibly read these admonitions and not see that salva-

tion is conditioned upon faithfulness to divine instruction and obligation---for both the non-Christian and the Christian?

(Romans 11:25-32) Israel's partial hardening: the following declaration is one of the most misunderstood in this document, if not the entire New Testament. It is the favorite text for the misguided national-conversion-of-Israel theory. According to the dispensational dogma, Israel is to be "re-gathered from all nations, restored to her own land and converted" (Scofield Reference Bible). Paul wants his readers to understand this "mystery," the reality of Israel's future, which was obscure in the writings of the prophets.

Paul states that "a hardening in part has befallen Israel." (a) The hardening was manifested in their utter refusal to believe in Christ, in spite of overwhelming evidence (Jn. 11:47; 12:37-40; Acts 4:16). (b) "In part" acknowledges there was a "remnant" that did believe (v. 4; 14), as reflected in the conversions on Pentecost (Acts 2:38). (c) The expression, "has befallen," involves a verbal tense that suggests an attitude initially engaged and then sustained. As one scholar noted, it was not a "temporary insensibility." (d) The terminal point is described as "until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." This is key to understanding this passage.

The expression, "fulness of the Gentiles," denotes the accomplishment of Jehovah's purpose among the Gentiles (or the "nations"). In other words, Israel's hardness will remain until the end of the present dispensation. This hardening of the bulk of Israel will continue "throughout the time of the Gentiles" (until Christ's return, Lenski). There is a similar phrase in Luke's Gospel. Christ, alluding to Jerusalem's impending destruction, declared that the city would be "trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled" (21:24). The expression, "trodden down," is in a tense that hints of prolonged hardships (though not necessarily uninterrupted) for Jerusalem (and what she represented---the nation). Again, the phrase, "times of the Gentiles," represents the current age. It implies a previous "times of the Jews." When they rejected the Messiah, that age of prominence (called a "reign") (Matt. 21:43) ended. It was superseded by "the times of the Gentiles"---the Christian age. It is clear that physical Israel is to be the recipient of divine retribution throughout the Christian era.

What, then, is the meaning of "and so all Israel shall be saved" (v. 26)? Since the hardening of Israel was not total but only "in part," there was still hope that many Jews might be saved. How? Those that are saved will be saved by their acceptance of the gospel (10:12-16) and their surrender to the Deliverer from Zion (v. 26). The word "so" is an adverb of manner, meaning "in this way." Hence, it is in the way of obeying Christ that "all Israel" (who are saved) may be saved. There will be no exception to the divine procedure! This passage does not affirm a nation-wide conversion of the people of Israel. The following quotation (v. 26-27) is from Isaiah 59:20; it confirms this interpretation. (a) The Deliverer is Christ. (b) He comes "out of Zion" as per dispensational theology). (c) The deliverance is by means of Christ's "covenant" (Jer. 31:31-34; Heb. 8:8). (d) The prophecy is fulfilled in the "taking away of their sins" (as on Pentecost)---not by the return of Christ.

It is true that the Jews are the "enemies" of the gospel, but they are still beloved of God because of their heritage, and the Lord longs for their inclusion into the "elect" (v. 28). Jehovah does not regret the blessings poured out upon the nation of Israel in centuries gone by, even though the Jews have, in large measure, rejected his Son (v. 29). Just as the Gentiles obtained mercy (by having an extensive opportunity to hear the gospel following the Jews' rejection), it is the apostle's hope that the mercy that has been extended to the Gentiles might somehow influence the Jews to reconsider at the gospel of Christ (v. 30-31). Verse thirty-two suggests that even though the Lord has "shut up" (allowed, tolerated) disobedience, his mercy still is available to all willing to accept it. Note that between verses thirty and thirty-two the terms "disobedient" and "disobedience" are both used twice. This graphically underscores Paul's definition of "faith" as used in this letter. His conception of faith is a universe apart from the modern Protestant theory.

(Romans 11:33-36) God be praised: this chapter and the end of the doctrinal section of the book are concluded with an anthem of praise concerning God Almighty. A collection of divine attributes is depicted respecting the "depth" and "wealth" of these qualities. The Lord's knowledge and wisdom are applauded. The former refers to the limitless scope of what he knows; he is omniscient (1 Jn. 3:20). The latter alludes to the consummate skill with which his knowledge has been and is exercised---both in material creation and in the "new creation" through Christ.

His judgments exceed human analyses, and his ways are "beyond tracing" (trackless). Ignorant humanity would do well to acknowledge this and cease their silly criticism of the Almighty. Job certainly learned this lesson. No one can fathom the mind of God nor serve as his advisor (though many attempt to). The Lord is not indebted to us, and his gracious gifts are not the result of his repayment for anything we have done on his behalf. God is the source, agency, and goal of all things. May he be glorified eternally. So be it!

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