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## Today's News...This Morning

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Friday, December 2, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

### Local News

#### ◆ CONFIRMED EF-2 TORNADO HIT ATHENS

✓ The National Weather Service reports that it was an EF-2 tornado that struck the Athens area early Wednesday morning, causing at least 23 injuries. Most of the injuries took place in Deerfield Estates off Highway 307. (see photo below - courtesy of Sheriff Joe Guy). First responders rode 4-wheelers across the Mayfield Farm to reach the scene due to trees and power lines across Highway 307. Victims were transported to Starr Regional Medical Center by ambulance and private vehicle. Four are in critical condition. A pregnant woman, Amber Newman, gave birth to her daughter, Ava, at the hospital after being thrown from her home by the tornado.



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### NATIONAL - WORLD NEWS

◆ President-elect Donald Trump says that he will "appoint" retired Marine Gen. James "Mad Dog" Mattis to be secretary of defense.

#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Red Cross has set up a shelter for people whose homes are not livable at Keith Memorial United Methodist Church.
- ✓ The United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties has established a fund to help local storm victims. One hundred percent of the donations will be distributed locally. Donations can be made via mobile devices by texting MCMINNSTORMS to 41444. Checks can be mailed to P. O. Box 1681, Athens, TN 37371-1681, or they can be dropped off at the United Way office at 313 Maple Street.
- ✓ Monetary donations can be dropped off at Starr Mountain Outfitters in Etowah through Saturday. Water and Gatorade is also being accepted. Starr Mountain is teaming up with the American Red Cross, Athens Federal, and East Tennessee Auto Outlet.
- ✓ AUB crews continue to work to restore power. Spokesman Wayne Scarbrough says there were 30 broken power poles and miles of wire that fell and was tangled.
- ✓ The Fairview Baptist Church will hold their 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday services at the old American Bedding Building on Dennis Street. The Fairview Christian Academy will be holding classes sometime next week at the old 4-Star Academy on Matlock Road.

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## More Photos of Tornado Damage

The photo on the right by Bob Ketchersid shows the destruction of the gas station located next to C&D Tire Store on South White St.



Andy Barr sent us the photo on the left that shows the remains of a dwelling in the Deerfield Estates on Highway 307.

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KELLERWILLIAMS.

Keller Williams office in Athens is accepting donations for Gatlinburg victims. Bring all donations to 1607 S Congress Parkway in Athens. Contact Chad Colloms at 423.309.4171 for more details.

## Obituaries

- **Steven Michael "Mike" Jackson**, age 62, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Augusta Mae "Sis" Witt**, of Athens, died Wednesday at Life Care Center. She was retired from Forrest Hills Daycare Center. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church with visitation from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

### ◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ Polk County was not spared. A tornado struck in the Ocoee area, killing two people and destroying the Ocoee Post Office.
- ✓ Because of the storm damage and cleanup work, Etowah's Christmas Parade has been rescheduled and will be held on Monday, December 12th at 7 p.m.
- ✓ **The Daily Post-Athenian** reports to us that they have moved their operation to the office of their sister publication in Sweetwater, The Advocate & Democrat, because of the storm damage to their building on S. Jackson St. DPA Editor Doug Headrick says they will be delivering papers, but they may be later than normal.

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