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Friday, January 22, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Tennessee Headlines

TODAY IN HISTORY - Jan 22nd

- ✓ Randy Parton, brother of singer Dolly Parton, has died after a battle with cancer. He was 67. Like his older sister, he was a country performer and has had his own show at Dollywood since it opened in 1986. Most recently, he was featured on Dolly Parton's 2020 Christmas CD.
- ✓ Reports say that just three days after UT Athletic Director Phil Fulmer announced his retirement, the Vols have decided to hire Central Florida's Danny White for the job. That would mean that White would have the task of hiring the new UT football coach.
- ✓ A proposed bill would expand alcohol sales on holidays in Tennessee. Current law lets Tennesseans buy beer, wine, and spirits from stores and restaurants on Labor Day, New Year's Day, and July 4th. The proposal, if passed, would add Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Easter to the list.

- 1946** - The Central Intelligence Group, which later became the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), was established by U.S. President Harry S Truman's directive issued this day.
- 1952** - Teddy Gentry of the group Alabama was born.
- 1889 - The Columbia Phonograph Company was formed in Washington, DC.
- 1968** - The NBC-TV show "Laugh-In" debuted "from beautiful downtown Burbank." The cast included the likes of Dan Rowan, Dick Martin, Arte Johnson, Goldie Hawn, Ruth Buzzi, Lily Tomlin, Judy Carnes, and Gary Owens. Even President Richard Nixon appeared on the show.
- 1970** - The Boeing 747 embarked on its first regularly scheduled commercial flight, from New York to London.
- 1973** - The U.S. Supreme Court issued a landmark ruling which legalized abortions.
- 1973** - Lyndon Baines Johnson, the 36th president of the United States, died at his ranch in Johnson City, Texas, at age 64.
- 1995** - Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, the mother of President John F. Kennedy, died in Hyannis Port, Mass., at age 104.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday P.M.

Tennessee: 697,783 cases, up 3,492. 8,684 deaths, up 128

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	5,146 up 29	4,708	364	74 up 1
Meigs	1,168 up 4	1,049	103	16
Monroe	4,640 up 13	4,226	351	63
Polk	1,466 up 21	1,301	259	17
Bradley	10,993 up 59	10,009	890	94
Rhea	3,870 up 23	3,513	301	56



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Friday: Mostly cloudy with wind gusts @ 7 mph. High 53.
Fri Night: Clear. Low 28.
Saturday: Plenty of sunshine. Wind gusts 12 mph. High 49.
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Sunday: Some sun, then turning cloudy. Possible rain. High 52.
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Gary Don Standridge**, age 73, of Athens, died Wednesday. He retired from General Motors. He also served in the U.S. Army. A Masonic Service will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home with the funeral service to follow. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.
- ♦ **Bobby Mull**, age 61, of Etowah, and formerly of Michigan, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m., Monday in Conasauga Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge.
- ♦ **David McDaniel**, age 50, of Englewood, died Thursday at his home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Macedonia Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equities were mixed after closing at all-time highs Wednesday as Joe Biden was sworn in as the 46th President of the United States of America. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 12.37 to 31,176.01. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 1.22 to 3,853.07, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 73.67 points to 13,530.92.

Church News & Events

- Celebrate Recovery is held each Sunday night from 6 to 8 p.m. at Jones Chapel United Methodist Church at 590 County Road 778. There will be worship, groups, and a to-go meal. The groups are for anyone dealing with hang-ups, hurts, life challenge, or loss. Everyone is welcome to attend.
 - Voice of Deliverance Ministry Church of God in Christ will be having a one day revival on Sunday, January 24th, beginning at 4 p.m. The guest speaker will be Superintendent James Summers, pastor of Restoration & Deliverance Church of God in Christ in Forest Park, Georgia. All are welcome. The address is 520 Old Riceville Road, Athens.
 - Valley Christian Academy is selling Valentine Cookie gifts. To place an order, call 462-3008.
 - Transformation Project, a 12-month non-residential discipleship and recovery program, is underway at Athens First Baptist Church. The program is for anyone with a life-controlling problem. It can also serve as an alternative sentencing program. For more details, call Sarah Kite, director, at 745-5441.
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