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Friday, February 4, 2022

Athens, Tennessee

Deputy Struck & Killed on I-75

A Loudon County deputy was killed Thursday morning in an accident that shutdown the northbound lanes of I-75. It happened on I-75 at mile marker 74, near the Tennessee River Bridge. Sgt. Chris Jenkins was killed when a semi struck him after he had stopped traffic to remove a ladder from the interstate. Traffic had stopped, but the truck came upon the traffic and could not stop. It struck two vehicles, the Sergeant's cruiser, and the sergeant. The northbound lanes of I-75 were shut down for hours with traffic being diverted off the interstate at Exit 72. Jenkins was an 18year veteran of the Loudon County Sheriff's Office.

COMMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ The Athens Area Council for the Arts presents "Love Songs" With September Song" on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 18th and 19th at 7:30 p.m. September Song features husband and wife Lindsey and Andrew Kimball and their band. The concert will be held in the Sue E. Trotter Theater. The audience will be allowed to help choose the songs.
- ✓ The McMinn County Election Commission will meet in regular session next Tuesday, Feb. 8th, at 5 p.m. instead of Feb. 15th. The location will be the Conference Room of the McMinn County Courthouse. The Election Commission will meet in a called session on Thursday, Feb. 17th, at 5 p.m. in the Conference Room to certify petitions for the May 3rd primary and candidates that qualified as independents for August 4th.

Milk & Cookies With Fulky

Both UT basketball fans and fans of milk and cookies showed up Wednesday afternoon at the Mayfield Visitors Center to meet UT men's basketball star John Fulkerson (Fulky) and to let him serve them Mayfield milk and cookies. He also signed autographs. Pictured next to Fulky are WYXI Announcer Elaine Newman and Main Street Athens Director Lisa Dotson.

(Photo by Richard Newman)



RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



NEW: Hand Breaded Chicken Sandwich \$3.99 Steak Biscuits 2 / \$5 • 32 oz Tea \$1 8 Piece Tailgate \$19.99

Bojangles is reopening on Sundays in February with DRIVE THRU Service ONLY on SUNDAY Famous Chicken 'n Biscuits BOJANGLES of Athens-South Congress Pkwy 744-5292

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Friday - Cloudy & colder with occasional rain. High 40. Friday Night - Cloudy. Low

Saturday - Mostly sunny. High 40.

Sunday - Mostly sunny. High

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- Mack Allen Huey, age 71, of McMinn County, died Tuesday, Feb. 1st, at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. He was a long time member of Rogers Creek Baptist Church and was the song director for 20 years. He retired from Taylor-Pittsburg after 40 years where he was a supervisor. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Rogers Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- Alvin Douglas Graham, age 77, of Decatur, died January 30th at Rhea Medical Center. He retired from Bowater after 40 years of service. A graveside service was held this past Wednesday. Decatur Funeral Home was in charge.
- Jerry Lee Hitt, age 64, of Sweetwater, died Tuesday at his residence. He was a native of Englewood. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4th, at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from Noon - 2 p.m.
- ◆ James Douglas Trent, age 67, of Athens, died Monday, Jan. 31st. He had a career in management. A memorial service will be this Sunday, at 4 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens; visitation 2 to 4 p.m.
- Travis Sterling Steven Caldwell II (Known as "T"), of Athens, died Jan. 31st. He was a heavy equipment operator for Road Worx IC of Knoxville. Ziegler Funeral Home will announce services later.
- Roy Lee Moses, Jr., age 50, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional of Athens. He owned Roy Moses roofing company. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 1 - 3 p.m.
- Arnold Lee Coleman, age 94, of Etowah, died Wednesday. He retired from Athens Stove with 47 years of service. Graveside services at 4 p.m. Saturday at Mars Hill Cemetery with Bordwine Funeral Home in charge.
- Elizabeth Irene Davis, age 85, of Decatur, died Tuesday, Feb. 1st, at her home. A Celebration of Life service will be 7 p.m. this Saturday at Clear Springs Baptist Church, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Sunday at Clear Springs Baptist Church Cemetery. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- Daniel Hubert Brooks, age 61, of Decatur, died Wednesday, Jan. 26. He worked as a dog groomer. A celebration of life will be held later. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

Church News & Events

- There will be a gospel singing every Saturday in February (with the exception of Feb. 5th) at United in Faith Center, 2911 Congress Parkway S. It starts at 7 p.m. with a free meal. This Saturday's singing has been moved to the Cooke Ministry Center at 714 Walter Street, and will be held tonight, Feb. 4th, at 7 p.m. The singers will be Jerry Mitchell, Spiritually Redeemed, and
- Help! I've fallen! You've stepped off a curb and twisted your ankle. These things usually happen when we least expect it. Do you need crutches, a wheelchair, a rollator, or a walker? Mars Hill Presbyterian Church has a supply of these and other medical items that they are willing to let you borrow. Call the church office at 745-1403 Tuesday-Friday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. for further information.
- Celebrate Recovery meets every Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Englewood Church of God. Everyone is welcome.
- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Jones Chapel United Methodist Church offers Celebrate Recovery every Sunday from 4:45 to 6 p.m., with worship, groups, and a to-go meal.



