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Athens, Tennessee

#### Monday, October 17, 2022

## Community News Vou Can U

#### Wrecks Claim the Lives of Two Men

♦ An Athens man is dead after a single vehicle crash on I-75 north in Bradley County, according to a report from the Tennessee Highway Patrol. It happened near Paul Huff Parkway just after 11:30 last Wednesday night. The investigating officer said 36-year-old Kenneth Purdie from Athens was killed after his truck veered off the road and hit a median, causing the truck to flip multiple times. Purdie was thrown from the vehicle. He was not wearing a seatbelt, according to the accident report.

◆ The Tennessee Highway Patrol is investigating a crash in Marion County last week that killed a former American Idol contestant. According to the THP report, 23-year-old Willie Spence was driving on I-24 East when he left the roadway and hit a tractor-trailer that was stopped on the shoulder. The THP say Spence died as a result of the crash. Investigators do not know what caused Spence to run off the road. Spence, from Dunwoody, Georgia, was a contestant on American Idol during season 19 and came in second place.

### **Community News You Can Use**

✓ The Athens City Schools Board of Education will hold the Fall Retreat/Work Session on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at the Administration Building beginning at 8:30 a.m.

✓ The *Hiwassee Chapter Sons of the American Revolution* will hold their regular meeting on *tonight* at the Mexi-Wing restaurant Downtown Athens at 6:15pm. President Jason Wright will present a program about the U.S. Constitution.

**LISTENING REMINDER:** The guest on Main Street Moments this week will be Whitney Coe discussing the Civic Saturday event for October 22nd and Liv Cook discussing the importance of public education. The program will be aired at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5.

FOOTBALL SCORES: McMinn County defeated Walker Valley 24-7. Bearden defeated Cleveland 34-24. Farragut defeated Bradley Central 31 to 10. Rhea County defeated Howard 45 to 7. Meigs County lost to Tyner Academy 26 to 0. Tennessee defeated Alabama 52 to 49 in Knoxville on Saturday.





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## **Obituaries**

◆ **Robert "Bob" Earl Johnson,** age 91, of Athens, passed away Thursday, October 13th at his home. He served in the United States Air Force for four years including time as a flight navigator. He began his career at Hammer Johnson Supply in 1958. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, October 19th at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

• Brent Allen Myers, age 36, of Philadelphia, passed away Thursday, October 13th at Sweetwater Hospital. He was a native of Sweetwater and resident of Philadelphia. He was owner and operator of BM Masonry and also worked part time with Cagle Construction. A funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Monday, October 17th at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m., Tuesday, October 18th at Oak Grove Cemetery.

◆ Michael "Mike" William Moore, age 71, of Athens, passed away Friday, October 14th in Maggie Valley, North Carolina. He was a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County. He was owner and operator of H Bar M Rodeo of which he organized rodeos in the southeast and was a livestock hauler, farrier, and horse auction owner. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Sullins Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

# **Today in History**

**1915** - American playwright Arthur Miller was born. His works include the play, "Death of a Salesman." **1919** - The Radio Corporation of America (RCA) was created.

The company later birthed the NBC radio network.

**1931** - Mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion and sentenced to 11 years in prison.

1933 - Physicist Albert Einstein arrived in the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany.

1978 - During the Jimmy Carter Administration, Jefferson Davis was restored his American citizenship, 89 years after his death. He was the President of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War. He had been denied restoration of his citizenship after the northern states won the war.

1979 - Mother Teresa of Calcutta, India, was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. She was a Roman Catholic nun who dedicated her life to caring for the sick and poor.

1989 - An earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale struck northern California, killing 67 people and causing \$7 billion worth of damage

FRIDAY'S MARKET REPORT Stocks and bonds finished lower. An unexpected rise in consumer inflation expectations for the first time in seven months pushed bond yields higher. International markets were higher. Oil declined 7.5% for the week. The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield rose to 4.0%. At the closing bell: The Dow was down 403.89 to 29,634.83. The S&P 500 was down 86.84 to 3,583.07, and the NASDAQ was down 327.76 to 10,321.39.

#### THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES ARE SUPPORTED BY THE MCMINN COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN.

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ATHENS CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES: JOHN DUGGAN, LARRY EATON, MARK DOUGLAS LOCKMILLER, JIM O'BRINGER, BO PERKINSON, AND STEVE SHERLIN

EARLY VOTING IS OCTOBER 19 THRU NOVEMBER 3. **ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 8** 

YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT SO PLEASE VOTE! **OTE....VOTE....VOTE....VOTE....VOTE....VOTE** 

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