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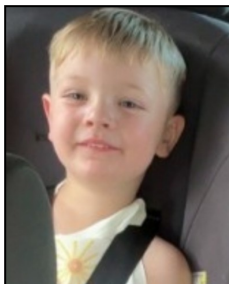
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**Missing Child Found Safe in Own Attic
After Statewide AMBER Alert**



An AMBER Alert issued statewide Tuesday for a missing 3-year-old Clarksville boy was canceled after the child was found safe Tuesday evening.

According to the Clarksville Police Department, Tyler Hall was located shortly before 8 p.m. "heavily concealed" in the attic of his residence. Montgomery County EMS evaluated the child at the scene before he was transported to Vanderbilt Clarksville Hospital as a precaution.

The search began after Hall was reported missing from the Aurelia Lynn Drive area around 11:30 a.m. Tuesday. Police, along with multiple assisting agencies, launched an extensive search of nearby neighborhoods, wooded areas, and surrounding properties. Search dogs and other resources were also utilized, while investigators reviewed surveillance footage from nearby homes and businesses.

Authorities described Hall as a white male with blond hair and blue eyes, standing approximately 3½ to 4 feet tall and weighing about 40 pounds. He was last seen wearing a dinosaur T-shirt, light green shorts, and gray socks. The Clarksville Police Department and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation announced Tuesday night that Hall had been found safely. *Source: TN Bureau of Investigation*

**Low Appointed Regional Chairman for
Constitutional Amendment Effort**

State Sen. Adam Lowe has been appointed chairman for Bradley, Meigs, Rhea and McMinn counties in an effort supporting Tennessee Constitutional Amendment 2, which will appear on the November ballot.

According to organizers, the amendment would add language to the Tennessee Constitution prohibiting the state government from levying, authorizing or otherwise permitting a state property tax.

Lowe said the proposed amendment is intended to provide certainty for property owners and businesses by permanently placing the prohibition in the state constitution.

The statewide effort includes regional leadership across Tennessee and is being coordinated by a coalition led by the Tennessee Farm Bureau.


Voters will decide the measure during the November election. The ballot question will ask whether Tennessee's Constitution should be amended to prohibit the state government from imposing a state property tax.

Source: TN Senate Republican Caucus

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Athens, Tennessee

Potent Synthetic Opioid Linked to Deaths in McMinn County, East Tennessee

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- New synthetic opioid
- Highly potent
- Difficult to detect

Often mixed with other drugs

High Overdose Risk

A powerful synthetic opioid that officials say is significantly stronger than fentanyl has now been linked to dozens of overdose deaths across East Tennessee, including cases in McMinn County.

The drug, known as cychlorphine, has been connected to 58 overdose deaths since it was first detected by laboratory testing in late 2025, according to the Knox County Regional Forensic Center. Investigators later determined the drug may have been involved in overdose deaths dating back to July 2025.

Officials say cychlorphine is estimated to be about 10 times more potent than fentanyl and is often mixed with other illicit substances, meaning users may not

know they have consumed it. The forensic center has identified cychlorphine-related deaths in multiple East Tennessee counties, including McMinn, Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Claiborne, Grainger, Jefferson, Knox, Roane, Sevier and Union counties.

Health and law enforcement officials are urging residents to carry Naloxone, commonly known as Narcan. While the medication can reverse opioid overdoses involving cychlorphine, officials warn that multiple doses may be required because of the drug's extreme potency.

Despite the emergence of cychlorphine, overall overdose deaths have not increased in Knox County. The Knox County District Attorney General's Suspected Overdose Dashboard reported 113 suspected overdose deaths through June 1, compared with 133 during the same period in 2025.

Officials continue to monitor the spread of cychlorphine and warn that its presence in the illicit drug supply presents a serious public health threat throughout East Tennessee. *Source:* [WATE](#)

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Athens, Tennessee

Cleveland State Student Returns to Health-care Path, Sets Sights on Nursing Career



A Cleveland State Community College student who initially stepped away from health-care has found her way back to the field and is now preparing for a future in nursing. Hannah Salmond, a Walker Valley High School graduate, first enrolled at Cleveland State Community College with plans to pursue nursing, influenced by a strong family background in medicine. She later left the program

to study education at a four-year university, choosing a different academic path.

Her direction changed after spending time assisting her mother at a healthcare clinic, an experience that reaffirmed her interest in patient care and led her to return to Cleveland State. She subsequently enrolled in the college's medical assisting program.

The three-term certificate program combines classroom instruction with a 180-hour clinical externship in both primary and specialty care settings, preparing students for both administrative and clinical responsibilities in healthcare environments. Faculty in the program said Salmond has shown strong development in both technical skills and patient interaction, noting her readiness for hands-on clinical work.

Salmond is expected to graduate in July and plans to continue her education toward a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, with the long-term goal of becoming a nurse practitioner. She also plans to work as a medical assistant while completing her degree to gain experience and help support her education. Program officials say her path reflects a common trend among students who explore multiple fields before returning to healthcare with renewed commitment and focus. *Source: Andrea Byerly, Cleveland State*

McMinn County Arrest Reports

June 02, 2026

Ben Vinas Patisse, 32 of Cartersville, Georgia, charged with DUI, and driving without a license, Bond \$4,500.

Lawrence Bowers, 47 of Etowah, charged with simple possession casual exchange, and drug paraphernalia.

Riley Knox, 20 of Athens, charged with theft of property.

Caitlin Moses, 20 of Etowah, charged with criminal responsibility of another.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

Patty Jo Bowman Waller, 87, of Decatur, passed away on Monday, June 1, 2026. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and sister, leaving a legacy of love and kindness for her family and friends. She found joy in reading the Bible, tending to her beloved garden, and challenging herself with word search puzzles. A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2026 in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services with the Rev. James Staton officiating. Interment will follow in the Roberts Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 2 p.m. , prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is honored to serve the Waller Family.

Miles Franklin Rollo Jr., a devoted family man, passed away peacefully on June 1, 2026. Born on November 28, 1948, in Lafayette, Louisiana, Miles lived a life marked by dedication to his career, his country, and most importantly, his loved ones. Frank served honorably in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. Following his military service, he built a career first as an electrician, where he accomplished the status of master electrician, and then continued his career in field of nuclear energy, and he was known to be a "Jack of all trades". His lifelong affiliation with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 676 was a source of pride, reflecting his steadfast dedication and work ethic. A visitation to celebrate and remember Frank will be held on June 5, 2026, from 11:30 AM to 1:30

PM at the Good Samaritan Funeral Home. Following the visitation, a graveside service will take place from 2:00 PM to 2:30 PM at McMinn Memory Gardens.

Virginia Carolyn Collins Brackett, passed away at her daughter Karen Turner's home on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, around noon. She had a short bout with cancer that spread quickly. She was a member of Clearwater Baptist Church and one of their oldest members. She was active in the Senior Ministry until her health prevented her from serving. Her favorite verse was John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." Virginia loved cooking, sewing, gardening, and she taught her children to love these things, also. She had a giving heart, and always tried to help the needs of others. Visitation will be held from 5:00 to 7:00PM on Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home. A funeral service will follow at 7:00PM with the Reverend Greg Hutsell officiating. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, June 5, 2026, at Clearwater Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the care of Virginia Collins Brackett.

Terry Dewayne Ramsey, 46, a lifelong resident of McMinn County, passed away on Tuesday, June 2, 2026. Graveside services will be held on Monday, June 8 at McMinn Memory Gardens. Ziegler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the care of Terry Dewayne Ramsey.

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