

Steve's Report

I hesitate when it comes to sharing stories about my children - especially now that all of them are with us - because part of me worries about "appearances." Even though I am very proud of my kids, I don't want the impression that I'm bragging about them. That same worry-wart side of me is also concerned that the kids might not appreciate being teased about the stories I share. But then, the much larger side of me - the side that loves a good story - wins out and I end up telling everyone what they did, anyway.

My kids are all fairly competitive. If one of them learns how to do something, all the rest of them have to try it



to see if they can do it faster or better. When the kids were younger, as parents we used their competitive nature to build their minds. Whenever we took a road trip, we would challenge them with games like spelling bees or math challenges. I'd ask things like, "If our trip is 245 miles, and we've driven 128 miles, how much farther do we have to go?" Or, "If we're driving 65 miles per hour and we have another 195 miles to go, how long will it take us to get there?"

The kids enjoyed the challenge of trying to

see if they could figure it out for themselves. Where did you learn how to do that?" Max said, "I wanted to play the 'Math Blaster' game on the computer, so I had Katie teach me." Knowing my kids, I wasn't all that surprised, but I couldn't believe I was watching a pre-school kid doing double-digit math in about a second. "If I was born in 1961 and Katie was born in 1986, how much older am I?" I could hear them mumbling softly in the back seat as they tried to work it out in their heads. Suddenly, a little voice sounded out, "25 years." It was Max, who was barely 5 years old at the time. "How'd you do that?" I asked him, "You're not even in

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Abner Receives Scholarship to Berea College

Brittany Abner of Cynthia, a 2009 graduate of Harrison County High School, has been admitted to Berea College for the Fall 2009 term.

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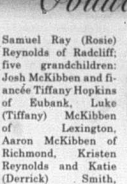
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Obituaries



Maxine Reynolds 1928-2009

Mrs. Maxine Reynolds, age 80, passed away on Thursday, June 11, 2009 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond. She was born on Nov. 14, 1928 in Carlisle to the late Max Ogden and Delma Hamm Ogden. She was united in holy matrimony to Ray Reynolds on Jan. 6, 1951. She was a member of the Providence Church of Christ and a loving, devoted wife and mother. She was the head book keeper for the Kroger Credit Union for 25 years and retired from the Kembra Credit Union. Her hobbies and interests were Bible study, making greeting cards and computerized puzzles. She is survived by her husband, the family of Ray Reynolds (Brothead; one daughter, Kathy Diane Reynolds (Danny) McKibben of AT, one son, Brothead; one son,



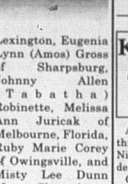
Samuel Ray (Rosie) Reynolds of Radcliff, five grandchildren: Josh McKibben and fiancée Tiffany Hopkins of Eubank, Luke (Tiffany) McKibben of Lexington, Aaron McKibben of Richmond, Kristin Reynolds and Katie (Derrick) Smith, both of Bardston, one step grandchild, Robbie McMullen; two step great-grandchildren: Dakota and Allie; a sister-in-law, Flo Ogden, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her grandson, Ben McKibben, two sisters: Almata Ogden and Imogene (Ibess) Shearer; two brothers: Alba Ray Ogden and Arthur Ogden. Funeral services were conducted at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 13, 2009 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel with Josh McKibben, Luke McKibben and Aaron McKibben officiating. No graveside services. Burial was in the Providence Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society. Condolences may be expressed to the family of Ray Reynolds of Brothead; one daughter, Kathy Diane Reynolds (Danny) McKibben of AT, one son, Brothead; one son,



Hubert O. Robinette 1937-2009

Hubert O. Robinette, 71, of Sharpsburg died one brother, David Robinette, and was preceded in death by his son, Hubert O. Robinette, Jr. The funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2009 at the Little Slade Cemetery with Bro. Shepherd Jim Clark officiating. Clark Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.



Lexington, Eugenia Lynn (Amos) Gross of Sharpsburg, Johnny Allen (Tabatha) Robinette, Melissa Ann Jurcak of Melbourne, Florida, Ruby Marie Corey of Owingsville, and Misty Lee Dunn of Sharpsburg; 20 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; two sisters: Margaret Sexton and Joyce Robinette; and one brother, David Robinette.

He was born on June 11, 1937 in larger, West Virginia, Jr. The late Eaco and Ruby Collins Robinette were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2009 at the Little Slade Cemetery with Bro. Shepherd Jim Clark officiating. Clark Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

GENERAL NEWS

Kingsolver to sponsor essay contest, award education bonds

Attention sixth, through eighth grade Nicholas County students. Carliee native Dr. Ann Kingsolver is sponsoring a one-time essay contest on the Future of Nicholas County. The winner(s) will receive education bonds, and the winning essays will be published as a poster in a book. Dr. Kingsolver is writing about Nicholas County. You think the future of Nicholas County will be like? Send entries of two to three typed pages, double spaced, the summer, there is a need to get word to children about the essay contest. Essays are due July 40311.

The winning essays will be published as well as put on display at the Nicholas County Fair this summer. Dr. Kingsolver's book, which she has been working on for over 20 years, will be a chronicle of changes in the county related to tobacco and other factors. The essay position and question is "Tobacco and farming poster in a book have been important Dr. Kingsolver is writing about Nicholas County. You think the future of Nicholas County will be like? Send entries of two to three typed pages, double spaced, the summer, there is a need to get word to children about the essay contest. Essays are due July 40311.

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