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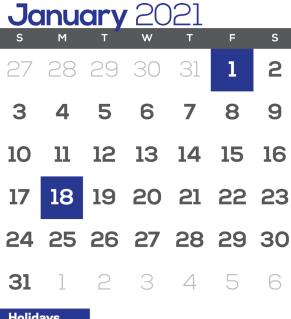


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1st - New Year's Day 18th - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

1. Is the book of Ruth in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From 2 Kings 13, what prophet ordered a king to shoot arrows out of a window? Paul, Job, Elisha, David

3. How many books of the Bible (KJV) are three letters long when spelled? 0, 1, 2, 3

4. What prophet saw "the tents of Cushan in affliction"? Japheth, Noah, Hezekiah, Habakkuk 5. Who said unto the Lord, "Increase our faith"? Jonah, Apostles, Moses, Thieves

6. From Joel 2:6, what shall all faces gather? Sunlight, Blackness, Fear, Warmth

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Elisha; 3) 1 (Job); 4) Habakkuk 3:7; 5) Apostles (Luke 17:5); 6) Blackness

'Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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you can puzzle terms out in

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Aspects call for care in preparing material for submission. Although you might find it bothersome to go over what you've done, the fact is, rechecking could be worth your time and effort.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The week is favorable for Bovines who welcome change. New career opportunities wait to be checked out. You also might want to get started on that home makeover you've been considering.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might have to be extra careful to protect that surprise you have planned, thanks to a certain snoopy someone who wants to know more about your plans than you're willing to share.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Family ties are strong this week, although an old and still-unresolved problem might create some unpleasant moments. If so, look to straighten the situation out once and for all.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Although the Lion might see it as an act of loyalty and courage to hold on to an increasingly shaky position, it might be wiser to make changes now to prevent a possible meltdown







1. "From This Day" appeared on which Machine Head album?

2. Who were the eight artists who jointly recorded "I'm Gonna Make You Love Me"?

3. Name the person who has won the most Grammys.

4. Where did the Tornados get the name "Telstar" for their 1962 instrumental?

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "We'd

later.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your gift for adding new people to your circle of friends works overtime this week, thanks largely to contacts you made during the holidays. A surprise awaits you at the week's end.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Don't hide your talents. It's a good time to show what you can do to impress people who can do a lot for you. A dispute with a family member might still need some smoothing over.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be open with your colleagues about your plan to bring a workplace matter out into the open. You'll want their support, and they'll want to know how you'll pull it off.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Trying to patch up an unraveling relationship is often easier said than done. But it helps to discuss and work out any problems that arise along the way.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While your creative aspect remains high this week, you might want to call on your practical side to help work out the why and wherefore of an upcoming decision.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Dealing with someone's disappointment can be difficult for Aquarians, who always try to avoid giving pain. But a full explanation and a show of sympathy can work wonders.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Getting a jobrelated matter past some major obstacles should be easier this week. A personal situation might take a surprising but not necessarily unwelcome turn by the week's end.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can be both a dreamer and a doer. You consider helping others to be an important part of your life.

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* Purchase New Year's celebration items that are on sale in January if you have a graduating senior in 2021. You can get all kinds of items for a fraction of the price, and you will be ready with all the 2021 things you need!

* Got a neckache? Grab a pair of long socks, fill each with 2 cups of uncooked white rice and a couple of drops of your favorite essential oil. Knot the sock tightly to seal. Microwave for up to 2 minutes, and test temperature before draping it over your shoulders to apply heat to sore muscles. It's so nice, especially when you're laying down.

* J.P. in New Jersey advises that instead of using candles during a power outage -- it can be dangerous! -- try a battery-operated lantern instead. You can even use solar garden lights in a vase. You'd be surprised how much they can light a room.

* "To trick yourself into saving money, round up purchases when you enter them into your checkbook register." -- S.W. in Arkansas

* "If you're storing clothes in a storage tote, put a sheet of fabric softener in as well. It can help repel bugs and keep the fabrics smelling fresh." -- M.W. in Iowa

* "Spray nonwashable plush toys with dry shampoo to clean and freshen them. Rub vigorously with a terry cloth to remove any extra residue and fluff up!" -- P.H. in Pennsylvania

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laugh and we'd sing and do funny things, And it made our hearts glow."

Answers

 "The Burning Red," released in 1999. Despite being called a "sell out" for the band's change in direction, it was their second-best-selling album.
 Diana Ross & the Supremes and the Temptations, in 1968. Released at the time of their television special, the song shot to No. 1 within three weeks.

3. This is a tough one: the answer is Georg Solti, a Hungarian-British conductor with 31 awards. He's followed by Quincy Jones (28) and Alison Krauss (27).

4. Telstar was a television communications satellite. It's still up there, but no longer transmits.
5. "Only Sixteen," by Sam Cook in 1959. The more successful version was released in 1975 by Dr. Hook. The song tells of teen love from the viewpoint of a 16-year-old boy.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally Unlisted clue hint: SUSPENDED FROM A NECKLACE

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Tips from Mr. Bonz Place a small tarp on the ground before wintry precipitation begins so your pet will have a spot to "go" when you let him out to

Also Don't Forget To Use Pet Safe Ice

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January 7, 2021 By Paulette Dean

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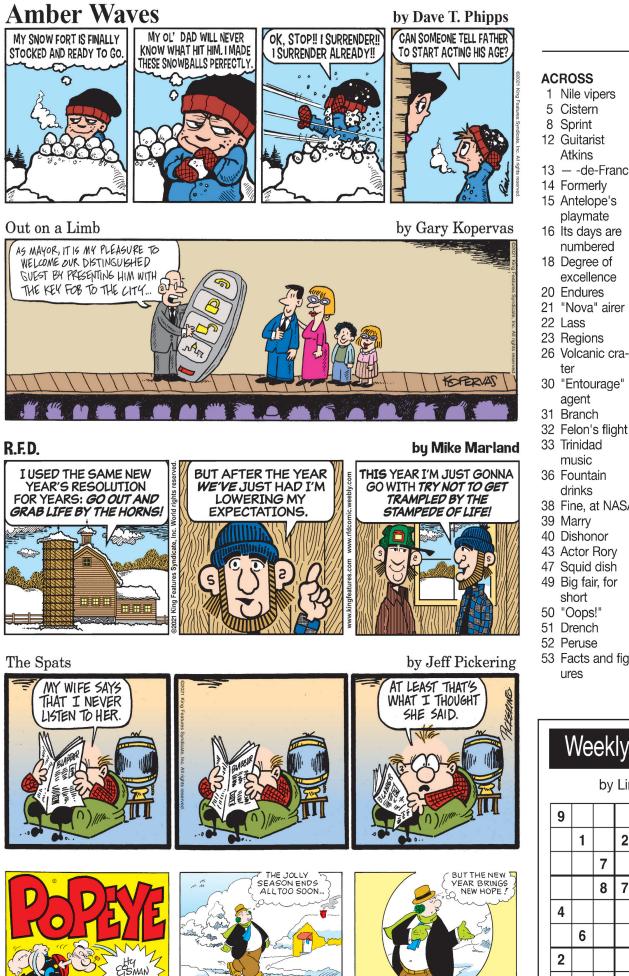
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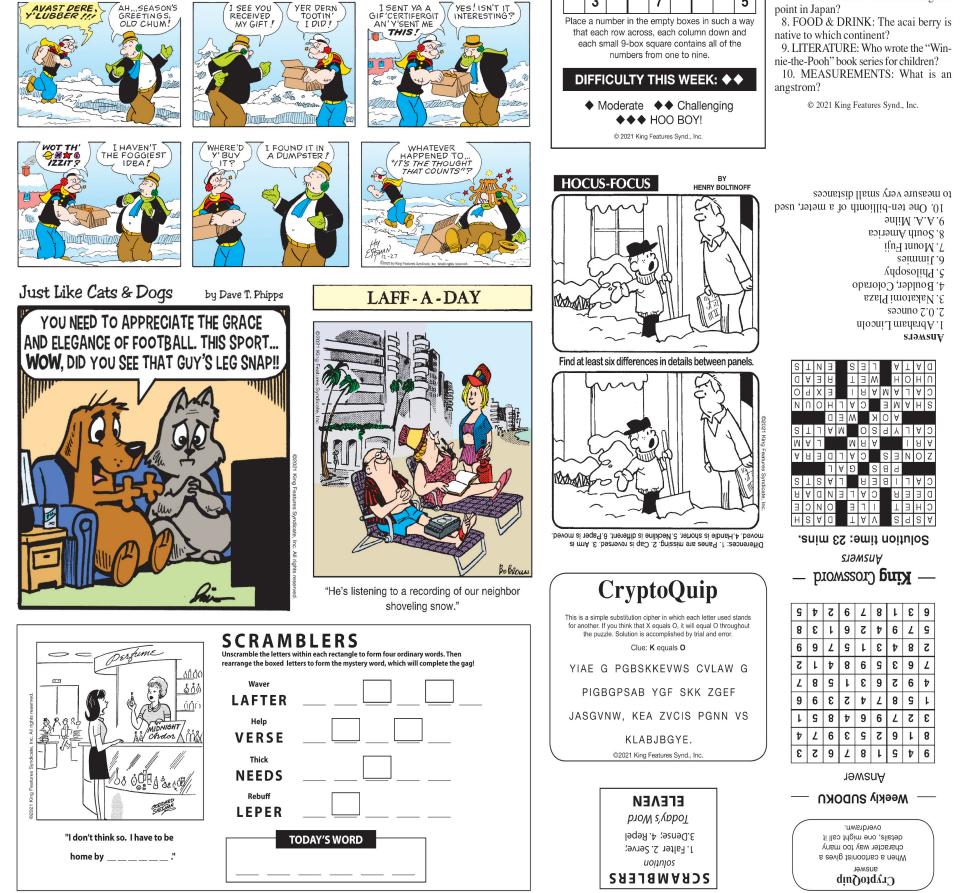
skyscraper in the drama "Die Hard"? 4. TELEVISION: What city was the set-

ting for the sitcom "Mork and Mindy"? 5. SCIENCE: What is the study of knowledge, reality and existence called? 6. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What are male blue crabs called?

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Brighter Days Ahead: Celebrate the New Year with a Healthy Start

By Kristen Grabowski, FNP

A new year is always an opportunity for a fresh start. A new beginning. That's one of the big reasons so many of us set New Year's resolutions. Turning the page on the calendar gives us a chance to turn the page on unhealthy habits, resolve to be better, healthier versions of ourselves and look to the future with hope for what's to come.

As we look ahead, there is certainly much to be hopeful for in the light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. As more effective treatments have been instituted and with exceptionally effective vaccines on the way, we can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. Even so, it is still essential to our health and the health of others that we continue to do all we physically can to stop the spread of this disease – by continuing to wear our masks, maintaining social distancing and practicing good hand hygiene – until the pandemic is safely at an end.

In addition to these essential precautions, there are a few key things that can help you get and stay healthy for 2021 and beyond. So, if

you're looking to make a couple resolutions to take better care of yourself, these are a great place to start. After all, there's no better time to focus on your health than right now.

Eating Healthy

There's a reason why healthy eating is always mentioned as a big contributor to your health. Because it's true. Healthy eating can reduce your risk of illnesses like heart disease, diabetes and cancer. It can help boost your energy, sharpen your mind and improve your mental health. And it doesn't have to be complicated. Simple changes can help make a big difference. Incorporate more vegetables, fruits, lean proteins and healthy grains into your diet. Plan your meals for the week to help ensure healthier eating and less temptation at the grocery store. Drink more water in lieu of soft drinks and other sugary beverages. Read the labels before you buy food to ensure that you're buying things high in good nutrients and low in saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium and sugar. Most importantly, be realistic. Changing your eating habits overnight is tough. Make your healthy eating an easier and longer-lasting shift by making one or two healthy changes a week. They'll add up over time and help you maintain your new healthy eating habits.

Start Moving

Physical activity is one of the best tools to improve or maintain good physical and mental health. Regular exercise can help you achieve and maintain a healthy weight, help reduce your risk for heart disease, strengthen your bones and muscles and help you reduce stress and anxiety. As little as 30 minutes a day can be effective. If you're not used to regular exercise or feel like you don't have time in your schedule for it, try simple activities like a lunchtime walk, playing in the backyard with your kids or pets, or a home workout using an aerobics or yoga video. The important thing is to get moving. Whatever you choose, be sure and consult your primary care provider before beginning a new fitness or sports program.

Staying on Top of Your Health

Taking charge of your own health is essential to your overall well-being. Establishing a good, trusting relationship with a primary care provider and scheduling annual physical exams can play a big role in helping you to do this. Annual exams can help prevent unwanted health surprises and setbacks, aid in early diagnosis of any conditions to help achieve the best outcomes and allow you to discuss any health concerns you have comfortably and confidentially. Your primary care provider can also ensure that you're on top of key health numbers like your blood pressure and cholesterol, keep you up to date on any needed immunizations and help you manage any chronic conditions you may have.







Reducing Stress

We've all experienced some level of stress at one time or another. It's a natural reaction when things aren't going as smoothly as we'd like. However, managing stress is important to maintaining physical and mental health. Too much stress can cause depression and increase blood pressure and weight gain, among other dangers to your health. Try to identify your "stressors" and learn how to manage your stress. Eating healthy and exercising are great helps, so if you're following the first two tips, you're well on your way. Remembering to breathe, being prepared and flexible when events and situations don't go as planned and treating yourself to a favorite activity are other great ways to help manage stress. And don't forget that it's okay to ask for help. Talk to a trusted friend or loved one, or seek out a mental health professional to discuss what you are going through.

Whether you're hitting the reset button on your health or looking to make improvements in a specific area, it's important to remember that your health journey is a marathon, not a sprint. Making a lot of changes overnight is an overwhelming task. Be realistic about where you're at and what you can maintain. For example, this week consider starting one or two new healthy eating habits, get moving with some physical activity a few days and make an appointment with your primary care provider for your annual check-up. Then, as you progress, you can incorporate more healthy habits into your daily schedule. Just like with healthy eating, small changes can really add up and help ensure that your health is a long-term success for 2021 and beyond.

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Micah Collins went to Battle of Atlanta. He takes lessons at Jeff McGregor's American Karate. He placed 4th, 3rd, and 2nd Place. While at Atlanta, he met Ernest Miller, a WCW and WWF Pro Wrestler. Micah really enjoys taking karate lessons at Jeff McGregor's American Karate.

When your daughter outgrows her sandals but those babies cost \$16



New Student Access Program at Danville Public Library provides resources to all Danville Public School students

DANVILLE – Danville Public Library and Danville Public Schools recently developed the Student Access Program, giving all students, faculty, and staff associated with the school system access to materials, online databases, and streaming services through the library.

"Being able to offer this invaluable service to ALL students is remarkable," stated Anne Moore-Sparks, Communications and Community Engagement Coordinator. "We applaud the Danville Public Library for being innovative and creative in finding ways to engage our students, especially during this unprecedented time of COVID-19."

The program will launch on Monday, January 11

"We cannot be more excited about this much needed service for our community," said Russell Carter, Director of Danville Public Library. "This has certainly been a challenging year for parents, students, and the school system. We are hoping that in creating an easier way to access materials and services, we can at least bring a little positivity and assistance to the community."

Carter explained that many students in the school sys-

tem are unable to access library resources due to not being able to obtain a library card, which requires a government issued ID or a parent with the proper identification.

"Whether it's a transportation issue, family matter, or another barrier of which we are unaware, there are many students in our community who cannot visit the library in person," he said. "We want to make sure we can reach those students. Although the program only allows users to check out a limited number of physical items, it opens full access to our online and streaming services."

Students wishing to use their school ID to check out materials can also place items on hold from the public library and those materials will be delivered by library staff to their school library for pickup. Items can also be returned to the school library.

"We want to make this as easy as possible for the students, teachers, and parents," said Chrislyn Gardner, Youth Services Librarian at Danville Public Library. "To have the opportunity to assist our community's teachers and parents as they navigate this school year is very encouraging to us. When we are out of the pandemic and can return to our normal services, we are looking forward to working with the school system to provide educational opportunities to our students."

The program is not required. Parents have the ability to opt out. A letter was distributed via the school system during first semester. Any parent wishing to opt out of the program, who did not receive the letter, can contact the media specialist at their child's school.

Bill Sgrinia, Director of Danville Parks and Recreation, praised the partnership and the service.

"Collaborations like this are invaluable to the community," Sgrinia said. "Our staff are always looking for ways to engage the citizens of Danville and the organizations who serve and this is just one of many ways we hope to work with partners to provide positive and life-changing services."



Hugh D. Durham, Sr. May 28, 1937 ~ December 16, 2020 (age 83)



Mr. Hugh Durham, Sr., age 83, of Gretna, VA, passed away on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at his residence.

He was born on May 28, 1937, in Pittsylvania County, VA, to the late Charlie Henry Durham and Mary Elizabeth "Bessie" Scott Durham.

Before his retirement, Mr. Durham worked as a plumber in Miami Florida and was a member of Local 519.

He is survived by his sons, Hugh D. Durham, Jr. and his wife, Mercy and Stephen B. Durham and his wife, Sara, all of Gretna, VA; grandchildren, Wesley Durham, of Ft. Myers, Fla; Crystal Durham, of Iowa; Natalie Durham, of Gretna; and Kyle Durham, of Gretna.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Durham was predeceased by his wife, Sarah M. Durham and brothers, Eugene Henry Durham and Bruce W. Durham.

Gravesides services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 21, 2020 at Schoolfield Cemetery with Dr. Charles Scearce officiating.

Due to Covid restrictions, social distancing and mask are required.

Barker Funeral Home is respectfully serving the Durham family.

Joyce Morris Lewis

May 31, 1946 ~ December 18, 2020 (age 74)

Rachel Johnson

March 24, 1942 ~ December 17, 2020 (age 78)



Rachel Pruitt Johnson, age 78, of 2449 Shady Grove Rd. Providence, NC, passed away on Thursday, December 17, 2020, at Stratford Health and Rehab.

Mrs. Johnson was born on March 24, 1942, in Pelham, NC, a daughter of the late Alex Pruitt and Willie Melvin Pruitt. She lived her life in Pelham and

Providence where she was employed with Corning Glass until her retirement. She was married to Doug Johnson who survives and was a member of Gatewood Baptist Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her children, Joel Johnson (Jennifer) and Robin Shepheard (Davis); grandchildren, Seth Johnson, Saige Johnson, 1 LT. Joshua Puccio and Sidney Shepheard; great grandson, Easton Frame; brothers, Wilson, Jimmy and Larry Pruitt; sisters, Virginia Thompson, Sylvia Adams, Gloria Bowes, Donna Gardner, Cheryl Edwards, Joyce Reid and Janie Beggarly.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brother, Andrew Pruitt.

Graveside services will be conducted on Sunday, December 20, 2020 at 2:00 PM in Schoolfield Cemetery with Reverend Adrian Moore officiating. The family will be receiving friends at her son, Joel's home, 2857 Seamster Rd. Providence, NC, 27315 on Sunday from 11:00 am until 1:00 PM. The family requests that anyone coming into the home to please wear a mask and practice social distancing.

Swicegood Funeral Home is respectfully serving the Johnson family.

Linda Cundiff Weatherford

January 13, 1942 ~ December 29, 2020 (age 78)



Mrs. Linda Cundiff Weatherford, age 78, of Danville, Virginia, passed away on Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at Roman Eagle Rehab and Healthcare Center.

Mrs. Weatherford was born on January 13, 1942, in Danville, Virginia, to the

late Marvin Cundiff and Otilue Edwards Cundiff. She was employed at Brockway Glass until her retirement and was a faithful member of Holland Road Baptist Church.

Mrs. Weatherford is survived by her son, Randy Weatherford and wife, DeAnna and grandchildren, Chris Weatherford, Christina DeBaere-Echols, Amber DeBaere, Bobby DeBaere, Taylor Weatherford, Patrick Weatherford, Erica Weatherford; great-grandchildren, Sebastan Weatherford, Denver Weatherford, Savannah DeBaere- Echols, Hazel DeBaere, Caleb Weatherford, Steven Weatherford, Peyton Weatherford, Emily Weatherford and Kayla Weatherford; sisters, Jo Thurman and Vinnie May Vasser.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Weatherford was predeceased by her daughters, Lisa Weatherford and Wendy DeBaere.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, January 2, 2020 at 2PM at Swicegood Funeral Home with Reverend Avery Dalton officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow in Danville Memorial Gardens.

All state and federal regulations regarding covid-19 should be followed by all attendees.

Swicegood Funeral Service is respectfully serving the Weatherford family.



Mrs. Joyce Morris Lewis, age 74, of Danville, VA, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, December 18, 2020 at UNC Rockingham, in Eden, NC.

She was born on May 31, 1946, in Danville, VA, to the late Richard Morris and Mabel Ferrell Morris

Before her retirement, Mrs. Lewis worked in the financial aid office at Danville Community College. Previously, she worked at Jon Bill before they closed. She was a member of Community Baptist Church on Iris Lane in Danville, VA. Mrs. Lewis was known to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren as Nama and as momma Lewis to her daughter, Anne Marie's friends. The love of her life was her family, and her church family.

She is survived by her daughter, Anne Marie Jones and her, significant other, Frank Kyles, III; grandchildren, Casey Price (Amanda); Victor Gunnell Jr.; Waylon Gunnell (Vanessa Rose); Mary Jackson; Lisa Love; and Cathy Reid; great-grandchildren, Christian Price; Caitlin Price; Abigail Robertson; Brooklyn Price; Ashlynn Price; Amayia Price; Victoria Love; Melody Gunnell; Ariel Gunnell; Zachary Alverson; Robert Jackson; Catherine Jackson; Emily Jackson; Anthony Craddock; Christina Love; Hollie Rose; Blake Hedricks; Breanna Reid, and Alivia Reid; brother, Larry Morris; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Lewis was predeceased by her husband, Melvin Lewis; daughter, Faye Lewis; and brothers, Charles Morris, Sr.; Richard Morris; and Michael Morris.

A celebration of Mrs. Lewis' life will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at Community Baptist Church on Iris Lane in Danville, VA with Pastor Ray Mintz officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.

Swicegood Funeral Service is respectfully serving the Lewis family.

George Washington Hammack

September 23, 1955 ~ December 21, 2020 (age 65)

Mr. George Washington Hammack, age 65, of Danville, VA, passed away on Monday, December 21, 2020 at Piney Forest Health and Rehabilitation in Danville, VA.

He was born on September 23, 1955 to the late Kenny Walker and was adopted by the late Bernard Spencer Hammack and Elva Frances Hammack.

Mr. Hammack was a member of Moffet Memorial Baptist Church.

He is survived by his sister, Terri Hammack-Handy; nieces, Rebecca Handy Chesson and Alanna-Blue-Hammack; and half-siblings, Steve Walker, Keith Walker, and Cathy Hall.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Hammack was predeceased by his brother, Alan Hammack.

Graveside services will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at Mt. View Cemetery.

Due to the Covid restrictions, social distancing and mask are required.

Barker Funeral Home is respectfully serving the Hammack family.

Stephen Chad Barksdale

January 24, 1974 ~ December 31, 2020 (age 46)



It is with deep sorrow we announce the passing of Stephen Chad Barksdale on December 31, 2020.

Chad was born on January 24, 1974 in Danville, VA to

Ronald and Sandra Barksdale who survives.

He worked at Abbott Laboratories in Altavista, VA.

Chad loved all sports and was an avid collector.

He is survived by his daughter, Elana Coxworth (Cody); a brother, Michael Barksdale; a sister, Christy Vernon; and one granddaughter, Clementine Coxworth.

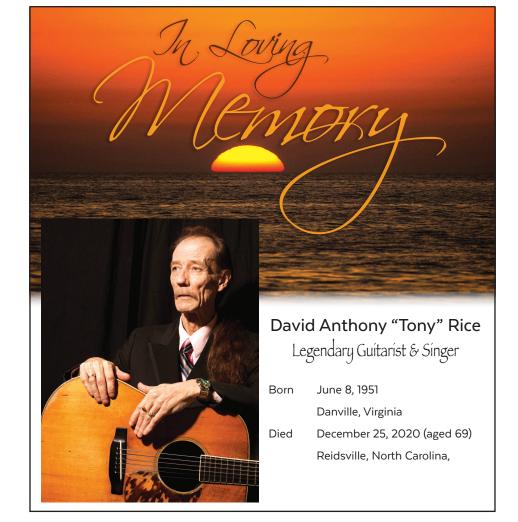
Due to the Corona virus, there will be a private graveside service for immediate family with Jonathan Taylor officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

Barker Funeral Home is respectfully serving the Barksdale family.

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Helen Tate Walker



Norma Jean Saul Doss

October 26, 1943 ~ January 2, 2021 (age 77)



Norma Jean Saul Doss left her home on earth Saturday, January 2, 2021. Norma Jean was born on October 26, 1943 to the late Lloyd Ray Saul and the late Dorothy May Saul in Danville, Virginia.

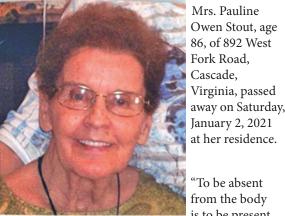
Norma Jean married Kenneth Doss on May 20, 1959. Their life was not always perfect, but they shared lots of love and

it's apparent in Kenneth's care for her. He absolutely would not consider a nursing home when Parkinson's Disease kept Norma Jean from caring for herself. Kenneth still called her his girlfriend.

Norma Jean is survived by her loving husband of 61 years, Kenneth. She is also survived by her children, Kathy Tate (Frank), Keith Doss (Karen), and Leslie Stevens (Gerald); six grandchildren, Andrew Tilley, Matthew Tate, Brian Doss, Britney Powell, Trey Stevens, and Collin Stevens; four great-grandchildren, Maggie, Rebecca, Lewis, and Ellie Powell; sister, Pat Pruitt (Mike); her loyal doggie, Little Bit; and beloved kitty-cat, Punkin.

Pauline Owen Stout

March 18, 1934 ~ January 2, 2021 (age 86)



from the body is to be present with the Lord" -

'To be absent

2 Corinthians 5:8

Mrs. Stout was born on March 18, 1934, in Pittsylvania County, to the late Charlie Owen and Annie Bray Owen. She lived most of her life in the West Fork Community and worked as an inspector at Fieldcrest Mills until her retirement. She was a member of West Fork Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Mrs. Stout is survived by her daughter, Katherine Adkins; grandson, Chris Sams (Angel) and great grandchildren, Christian Sams and Julie Sams.



Helen Mae Tate Walker, 94, of 156 Brentwood Drive, Danville went home to be with her Lord on Monday, December 28, 2020 at her residence.

Mrs. Walker was born in Danville, VA on March 12, 1926, son of the late Joel C. Tate, Sr. and Mary Jane Taylor Tate. She spent all of her life in the

Danville area where she worked for Dan River Mills as a secretary for 50 years until her retirement. She was an active member of St Luke's United Methodist Church as long as her health permitted. She also worked as the bookkeeper for the church for a number of years. She was a joyful lady who was always known for her smile!

Mrs. Walker was married to the late Thomas Lee Walker.

Survivors include her son, Mark Walker and his wife Rebecca of Dry Fork, VA; her special friends, Emma Turner, Becky Williams, Charles and Connie Clark, Sonja Cole and Jackie Soyars all of Danville, VA.

A graveside service will be conducted on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. at Highland Burial Park with the Reverend Susan Hannah officiating.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Walker family.

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Elizabeth Jane Hall High



Elizabeth Jane Hall High, 87, of Danville, VA passed away on Saturday, January 2, 2021 at her residence, surrounded by her loving family. She was born October 16, 1933 in Winfield AL to the late Ethel Curtis Hall and the late Fletcher Guy Hall. She was married to Robert Lee High, who survives, of the residence. Mrs. High retired from HealthTex of Danville

Norma Jean was a faithful member of Calvary Baptist Church. She loved spending time with her family. She loved shopping, eating out, and growing beautiful flowers. She always said food tasted better when it was with a large group of family. She loved sweet tea in a glass, no plastic.

Norma Jean loved taking care of her pets and the neighborhood animals too. She also loved watching crime shows and The Walton's.

Norma Jean worked many years as a seamstress, sewing for all the neighborhood ladies so she could stay home with her children. Being a mother was definitely one of her best jobs. In late years, she worked for J.C. Penney in the catalog department and also for Belk wrapping gifts at Christmas.

Graveside services will be conducted Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 1 PM at Danville Memorial Gardens with Reverend Rick Markham officiating. At other times, the family will be receiving friends and family at the residence of Kenneth Doss. (597 Elizabeth Street, Danville, Virginia 24541).

All state and federal regulations regarding covid-19 should be followed by all attendees

The family takes comfort in knowing she is reunited with her beloved family that has gone before her. Finally, in a healed body, planting flowers in heaven. The family would like to thank Liberty Home Healthcare and Hospice, Deacon George Barker for his faithful weekly check-in's & Meals on Wheels. Please consider a random act of kindness today in memory of Norma Jean.

Swicegood Funeral Home is respectfully serving the Doss Family.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Stout was predeceased by her loving husband of 23 years, Willie Page Stout; son, Johnny Adkins; brothers, Thomas, Tink, Jack, Emerson, Herman, Gaston, Albert and Archie Owen.

Graveside services will be conducted on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 2:00 PM in Danville Memorial Gardens with Reverend Alton Bartee and Reverend Joel Jackson officiating. The family will be receiving friends at other times at the residence.

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In addition to her husband, Mrs. High is survived by a daughter, Catherine Ann High, sons Edward Lynn High (Connie) and Stephen James High (Jessica), all of Danville. Mrs. High was predeceased by her parents and a son, Robert High, Jr.

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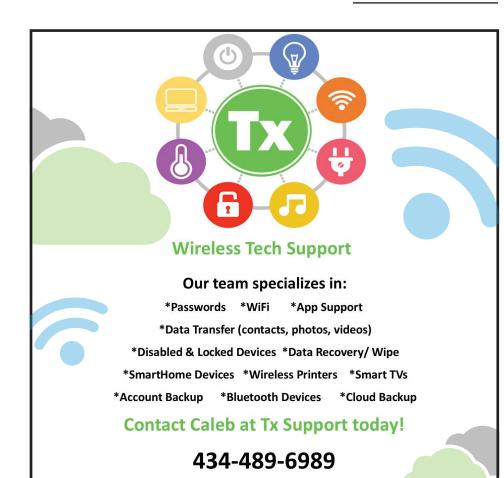
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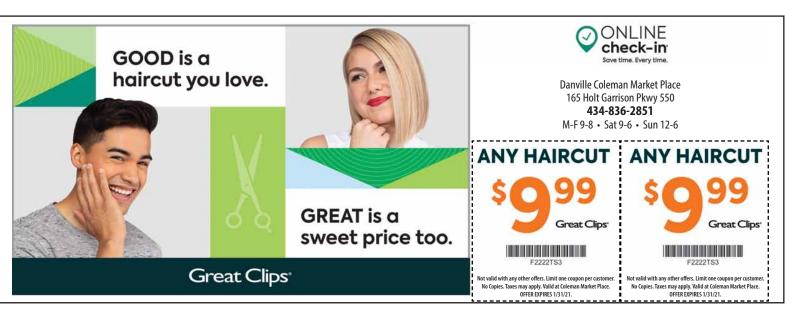


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Just as important as what you do to protect your health as you age is what you don't do. That means limiting alcohol, quitting smoking and avoiding the temptation to indulge in high-fat and sugary foods.

Support Mind Matters

Worry lines aren't just wrinkles that come with age; they can be a sign of persistent angst. From stress to lack of sleep to slips in memory, there are plenty of reasons to focus on your mental health as you advance in years.

Getting enough rest can play a big role in your physical health as well as your mental wellness. Too little sleep prevents your body from reenergizing itself fully and can affect your cognition and mood. Worry and stress can also cause you to feel your years. Information is key, and smart devices such as heart rate and sleep trackers can provide you with the necessary information to find what helps and what hurts healthy circadian rhythms and deep, regenerative sleep.

Growing forgetful as you age is also common to an extent, but memory problems can be exacerbated by stress, lack of sleep and other factors. You can also keep your mind sharp by playing games, doing puzzles, reading and maintaining an active and engaging social life with others. Even during this pandemic, phone and video calls can help engage your mental state through important social activity.

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- pound uncured, organic bacon
- pound sliced, organic white mushrooms
- pound organic broccoli
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 cups grated aged cheddar cheese
- 14 organic eggs
- 1-2 teaspoons garlic salt
- fresh ground black pepper, to taste

In skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil. While skillet is warming, chop bacon into small pieces. Cook bacon until crispy. Transfer bacon to plate covered with paper towel to absorb excess grease.

Drain most grease from skillet, reserving some to saute mushrooms.

Saute mushrooms until translucent. Cut broccoli into thick, bite-sized pieces; cover and microwave 4 minutes with water to soften.

Heat oven to 350 F

Crack eggs and whisk until egg whites and yolks blend together in one consistent color. Season with garlic salt and pepper, to taste

In bottom of baking pan or cast-iron skillet, spread broccoli and mushrooms evenly. Add crispy bacon bits and cheddar cheese. Pour eggs into pan and carefully stir until ingredients are evenly mixed. Bake 40-45 minutes, or until top of casserole starts to brown.

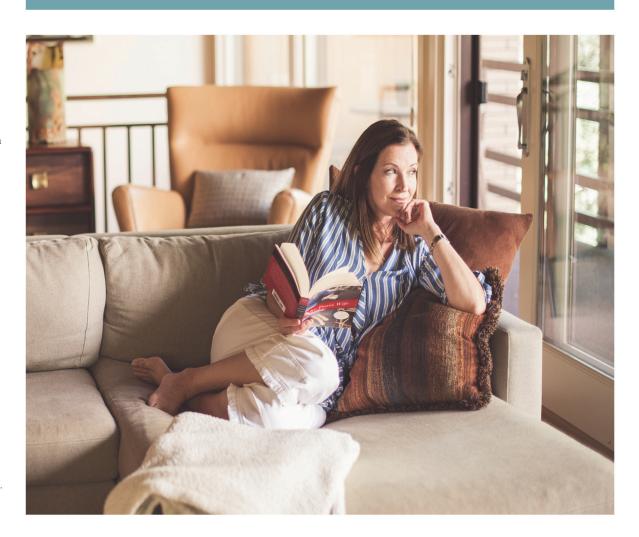


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Excellent question! Having a working knowledge of Medicare can help you take full advantage of the coverage and services it provides to ensure your mom receives the best care possible. Here's what you should know. and optional prescription drug benefits, Medicare covers home health care too. To qualify, your mom must be homebound, under a physician's care and in need of part-time skilled nursing care or rehabilitative services like physical therapy.

Medicare also helps pay for oxygen, catheters and other medical supplies that a doctor prescribes for home use. The same is true for medically necessary equipment like oxygen machines, wheelchairs and walkers.

In addition, Medicare covers skilled care in a nursing home for limited periods – up to 100 days – following hospital stays. But it doesn't cover long-

Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Kindling material	_ !	Easily cut, as a stea	k E		
2. Put your feet up	X	Running race	Y		
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4. Dummy bullet	K	Tasteless	D		
5. Moisten the lawn	T	Place a bet	G		
6. Use a broom	W	Slumbered	_ L		
7. Give one's word	R	Take for granted	M		
8. Investigate	B	Writing style	S		
9. Root for	R	Blush location	K		
10. Baby feline	К	Fingerless glove	Μ		
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Medicare Assistance

A good starting point to get familiar with Medicare is the official "Medicare & You" handbook that overviews the program. It's mailed to all beneficiaries every fall and provides an up-to-date description of all services and benefits. You can also see it online at Medicare.gov/medicare-and-you.

If you have a particular question, you can call and visit with a Medicare customer service representative at 800-633-4227. Medicare also works closely with State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIP) to provide free health insurance counseling. To find a SHIP counselor in your area visit ShiptaCenter.org or call 877-839-2675.

Caregivers also find Medicare's secure website – MyMedicare.gov – especially useful. After setting up a personal account for your mom, you can view the details of her coverage, track recent health care claims and keep up to date on the preventive services she qualifies for.

Compare Tools

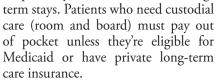
Medicare can also help you locate the right health care providers for your mother. At Medicare.gov/care-compare you can find and compare doctors, hospitals, home health agencies, dialysis facilities, inpatient rehab facilities, long-term care hospitals and nursing homes in your mom's area.

What Medicare Covers

Medicare can reduce many out-of-pocket medical expenses your mom incurs, but it doesn't cover everything. Understanding what Medicare does and doesn't cover can save you time and spare you frustration when navigating the caregiving maze. Here are some key points for caregivers:

Besides basic hospital and physician services (which includes telehealth services)

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.



Medicare pays for hospice care too, for someone with a terminal illness whose doctor expects to live six months or less. The hospice benefit also includes brief periods of respite care at a hospice facility, hospital or nursing home to give the patient's caregivers an occasional rest.

Besides long-term nursing home stays, original Medicare typically doesn't cover regular dental care or dentures, regular eye exams or eyeglasses, and hearing exams and hearing aids. Likewise, it won't pay for nonemergency ambulance trips unless a doctor certifies they're medically necessary.

To find out what Medicare covers, visit Medicare.gov/coverage and type in the test, item or service you have questions about, or download the Medicare "What's covered" app in either the App Store or Google Play.

Financial Assistance

If your mom lives on a limited income, you should check whether she qualifies for help with prescription drug costs or with other Medicare-related premiums, deductibles and copayments.

For help with drug costs, visit SSA. gov/prescriptionhelp or contact Social Security at 800-772-1213 and ask about the "Extra Help Program." For help with other Medicare costs, go to Medicare.gov or call 800-633-4227 and ask about the "Medicare Savings Programs."



THE KID'S A BORN ANGLER

Tyler Grimshaw was 10 years old back in June when he landed a trophy trout that weighed in at 41 pounds, says the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. He's 11 years old now and he recently went back to the Flaming Gorge Reservoir in Utah where he made his first catch and he did it again, this time reeling in a 48-pound trout. In both cases, Tyler released his catch. Perhaps he hopes the trout will grow bigger, giving him a chance to eventually break the state record for lake trout, which stands at nearly 54 pounds.

ANOTHER MAN'S TRASH, ETC.

A struggling college student, Conrad Duran in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and his girlfriend had been furnishing their home with what stray furniture they could find on curbsides. Just before Christmas they found a pair of dining room chairs. They left them out front and to their dismay that evening they disappeared. They thought the chairs had been stolen. They went off to be with family for the holiday weekend and on their return, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC], there they were on the porch, completely refurbished and reupholstered. It turns out the "thieves" were actually good Samaritans. "I thought they had been stolen and lo and behold, they had

just taken them, redid them, and returned them as a Christmas gift or something like that. Now they just look absolutely beautiful," Duran told reporters.

AGED WHISKEY

Nick Drummond and Patrick Bakker had just purchased a 105-year-old house in the town of Ames, N.Y. And when they started do-ityourself repairs on their fixer-upper they made a cheerful discovery, says the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. As they began removing some rotted wooden skirting from the home's mudroom out fell a bottle of booze. It was not just an ordinary bottle of whiskey; it was a hundred-year-old bottle of prohibition-era hootch. It prompted them to do a more thorough search that turned up a total of about 100 bottles, their labels declaring that it was the real thing: blended scotch whiskey distilled in Scotland. It seems the original owner of the house was a "rumrunner." Their plan is to put them up for auction, hopefully after they've had a sip or two.

THE 'HUG BUBBLE'

COVID-19 is particularly frustrating for those whose loved ones are in care facilities; safe distancing while wearing facemasks when visiting them is not the same as a good cuddle. Leave it to the French to find a way overcome such an emotional challenge, says the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. At least one patient care facility there is using what it calls the "hug bubble" to allow visitors to hug and even kiss their confined family member. They walk into an inflatable plastic tunnel where the resident is behind a hermetically sealed plastic sheet, put their arms through built in plastic sleeves and embrace. They are even able to safely give each other kisses.

AN EASY WIN

Why strain your brain trying to win the lottery by coming up with a set of random numbers? The South African Lottery Commission says that a very lucky winner of a recent PowerBall drawing took home a prize equal to about 370,000 U.S. dollars with a numbers pick of the not-so-random sequence 5-6-7-8-9-10, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. The Commission says it uses a random number generator, but that sometimes it can come up with a simple sequence, though it's rare.

POOP PIRATES

Porch pirates come out of the woodwork during the holidays. They search for packages left on doorsteps, hoping to find valuables inside. So, a resident in one particularly hard-hit neighborhood in Hamilton, Ontario do come up with a way to get back at the brazen thief or thieves, according to the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. He filled a box with cat poop, dressed it up as a delivery and set it up on her front porch. It was stolen within 45 minutes and the whole thing was caught on his front door video camera.

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The inner petals of this Grandiflora rose are **The** pale orange, with the undersides "New Year" slightly darker. The outer petals are edged in red, and curl under. The fully-bloomed flower can be 4 1/2" across, have up to 25 petals, and carries a light, pleasing fragrance. A bush of this kind can grow 4 feet tall and 2 feet wide, and display many blooms at a time throughout a growing season. When set next to blue flowers such as delphinium it is especially striking. – Brenda Weave

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1. In 2012, what pro bowler celebrated his fifth U.S. Open title by exclaiming, "Who do you think you are? I am!"

2. Before beginning his broadcasting career in 1978, Bob Trumpy played tight end for what NFL team? 3. At the 1998 Nagano Winter Olympics, who scored the first ever Olympic goal for the U.S. Women's National Hockey Team? 4. The Bedlam Series is the name given to the athletic rivalry between what two universities? 5. What Seattle sports facility was demolished by implosion in March

2000? 6. In 1993, what Detroit Pistons "Bad Boy" was involved in a scuffle with teammate Isiah Thomas that resulted in Thomas suffering a broken hand? 7. What 1986 comedy film included a char-

acter named Cameron who wore Gordie Howe's No. 9 Detroit Red Wings jersey?

Answers 1. Pete Weber. 2. The Cincinnati Bengals. 3. Cammi Granato. 4. Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. 5. The Kingdome. 6. Bill Laimbeer. 7. "Ferris Bueller's Day

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6. Swept, Slept

Assure, Assume

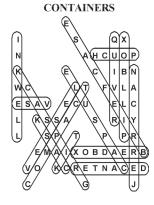
Probe, Prose

Cheer, Cheek

Kitten, Mitten

- Tinder, Tender 1. 2. Relax, Relay 3.
 - Juggle, Jungle
 - Blank, Bland
- Water, Wager 5.

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by Matilda Charles

COVID Hits Our Wallets

You can learn all kinds of things from surveys, and not all of them are good.

A recent SimplyWise bi-monthly survey showed that 35% of seniors age 60 and older are willing to risk getting COVID in order to work.

Of those who are over age 50, only 27% have put any money aside recently for retirement. Nearly half could not last one month off their savings. The number of people who plan to keep working after starting to collect Social Security benefits just keeps rising, up to 74% at the time of the survey.

Due to finances, 17% of us are considering selling our homes.

I scarcely know where to begin. Between seniors willing to risk getting COVID to keep working, seniors contemplating selling their homes and seniors not able to make it through even one month on savings -- it's a dismal picture. My thoughts on how to cut back on expenses and save money during COVID seem inadequate, but here they are:

* Stop impulse online purchases that you make out of boredom.

* Ask your auto insurance agent about discounts, since your driving is minimal now. * Double down on asking for senior discounts for everything.

* Don't buy any new clothes (or even a new winter coat) if you're home all the time anyway.

* Take your former entertainment budget (dinner and a movie out) and keep the cash.

* If you're signed up for video streaming services you rarely use, cut all but one.

* Consider selling a second vehicle if it still has payments.

* Make a ritual of studying the weekly grocery sales.

None of these things alone will amount to much, but taken together they will keep more cash in your pocket.