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Pilot Dies in McMinn Crash

A Loudon County man died last Thursday afternoon when the ultra light aircraft he was flying crashed in northern McMinn County. Sheriff Joe Guy says the plane crashed near a residence on County Road 323 around 3:45 p.m. Sheriff Guy says it appears the plane had departed from a private airfield on County Road 322 a few minutes before the crash. The pilot, Timothy W. Williamson, was killed. The aircraft was owned by Fred Rainey of Harriman. The plane was a Quad City Challenger, which is a kit plane classified as an amateur-built, experimental light sport aircraft. A plane similar to the one that crashed is pictured below. The Federal Aviation Agency had crews on the scene last Friday morning to investigate the cause of the crash.



Community News You Can Use

✓ The Hiwassee SAR Chapter will meet at 6:15 p.m. today at Mexi-Wing in Downtown Athens. The speaker will be Colonel Don Edmands, Jr., USAF (Ret), talking about his experience during the attack on 9-11. At the time, he was in the Air Operations Center at Tyndall Air Force Base, which was responsible for launching Air Force fighters to counter the attack.

✓ The Athens City Council's monthly meeting will be tomorrow (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

✓ The Etowah Carnegie Library Board will hold their regularly scheduled meeting at 5 p.m. today via Zoom. For information on joining the meeting, call the library at 263-9475.

FOOTBALL SCORES: MCHS 56, Ooltewah 14...and McMinn Central 47, Polk County 14. The Meigs County-Clinton game was canceled due to COVID-19.

♦ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE SUNDAY P.M.

Tennessee: 171,824 cases, up 933. 2,078 deaths, up 14.

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COUNT	Y CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	945 up 12	821	100	24
Meigs	202 up 1	164	35	3
Monroe	944 up 1	810	117	17
Polk	366 up 1	337	18	11
Bradley	2,710 up 27	2,519	175	16
Rhea	723 up 2	660	55	8

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Obituaries

- Jesse Y. Chastain, 52, of Delano, died last Thursday. He was a youth leader at Friendship Baptist Church and was business representative for Local 226 & 437 of the Painters Union District Council 77. Graveside services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Conasauga Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- Ella Jane "Goobe" Rayburn, 91, of Etowah, died Friday at Dominion Senior Living. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Monday at Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine is in charge.
- Alma Brown, 62, of Athens, died last Thursday. Services were held this past Saturday at Companion Funeral Home of Athens.
- Virginia Rosezella Howard Hampton, 83, of Athens, died last Thursday. She had worked at Alfred's and Don's Supermarkets. Services were held Sunday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Interment will be 10 a.m. Monday at McMinn Memory Gardens.

Wreck on Congress Parkway

Around noon last Friday, a traffic crash blocked Congress Parkway in both directions down from BJ's Snack Bar. There is no word on injuries. (Photo by Robert Ketchersid, Jr.)



NOTE: The guest on the Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will be Renee Nicolo & Misty Brewell discussing registration for the McMinn Co. Pre-K and Head Start programs. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wyxi.com.



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