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Thursday, March 09, 2023

Athens, Tennessee

Daffodils Planted in Downtown Athens



Recently the Anchor Club and FCE Club planted daffodils in downtown Athens and at Veterans Park for Main Street Athens. This is an annual project to herald the coming of spring and beautify the downtown area. Daffodils are known as perennials, which mean they sprout and bloom on a yearly basis. The goal is to eventually have the whole downtown area "come to life" at this time each year. Photo submitted by a Morning Fax reader.

Community News You Can Use

✓ The American Legion Post 68 will host a Fish Fry on Friday, March 10th from 5 to 7 p.m. at the VFW on Congress Parkway North in the meeting room.

◆ **WOODS FIRE:** A VEC power line broke and hit the ground causing this one acre woods fire on Co. Road 750, Athens close to 2:30 pm Monday. Athens Rural Fire, Claxton Fire and Englewood Rural Fire Departments, VEC, along with McMinn County Sheriff's Department all responded with Athens Rural Fire Chief Chuck Burris in command of the scene. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department



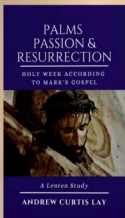
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The event space @ white street market

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Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM
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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Sharon Roe-Bolton**, 93, passed away March 2nd at Dominion Senior Living, after a short illness. She was a resident there for a number of years. She was born in Toledo, Ohio and moved to Athens in 2001. Sharon was a graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, where she received a degree in Education. As a professional educator, she worked in the Dayton, Ohio school system for 32 years teaching 4th, 5th, and 6th grade. A Memorial Service will be March 18th at 5 pm at Central Baptist Church. Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Margaret Ruth Bain Bryson**, age 75, of Etowah, passed away Tuesday, March 7th at her residence. She was a native of Etowah and lifelong resident of McMinn County. The family will have a private service at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Harry Leo Harrison**, age 92, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, March 7th at his home. He was a native of Tellico Plains and longtime resident of McMinn County. He was inducted into the World Karting Associating and was instrumental in writing the first technical rules. He owned and operated his own Small Engine repair shop for many years. A funeral service will be at 2 pm, Friday, March 11th at East Athens Baptist Church. Interment will follow in McMinn Memory Gardens. Visitation will be from 12-2 pm, Friday, at the church prior to the service. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Susan Anette Stockton**, age 59, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, March 7th at her residence. She was a lifelong resident of McMinn County. She attended Tennessee Wesleyan University and Cleveland State Community College and received her master's degree from Bryan College. She was associated with Simmons Bank as an auditor. A memorial service will be held at later date. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries Continued

♦ **George Wilburn Farmer**, age 80, of Niota, passed away Tuesday, March 7th at NHC of Athens. He was a native of Athens and lifelong resident of McMinn County. George worked as a wrecker driver for A & J Body Shop. A graveside service will be at 3 pm Friday March 10th at South Liberty Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Roy Robert "Bob" Sneed II**, passed away Wednesday, February 22nd after a brief illness, at Park West Hospital. A memorial service will be Saturday, March 11th at 2 p.m. at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church in Decatur. Good Samaritan Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 02/26/23 - 03/04/2023

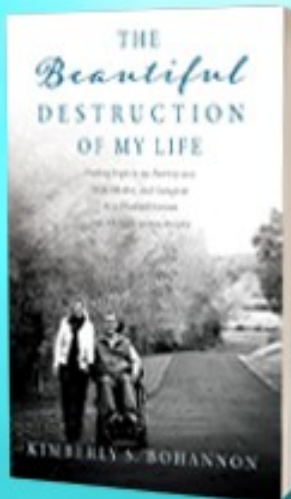
Last week there were 738 cases per day and 6 deaths per day

Tennessee Total Cases:	2,515,130	Tennessee Total Deaths:	29,263
COUNTY	CASES	DEATHS	
McMinn	20,057	288	
Meigs	4,175	63	
Monroe	18,390	277	
Polk	5,650	89	
Bradley	39,220	458	
Rhea	11,818	172	

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated on Saturday and posted to their website each Wednesday.

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