

Obituaries

Edward Oliver Grimes

Edward Oliver Grimes, 71, of Joppa died Monday, July 25, 2011, at Cullman Health Care Nursing Home.

Mr. Grimes was born Oct. 13, 1939, in Mississippi to Thomas Eugene Grimes and Florence Nova Beavers Grimes.

He has lived in the Hulaco community for the past seven years and was a retired row crop farmer. He was a member of Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife: Margaret Jean Grimes of Cullman; two brothers: Frank Grimes and Earl Grimes both of Mississippi; sister: Dixie Shaffer of Mississippi; sister-in-law: Joyce Steadman of Joppa; and niece: Jane Skinner of Joppa.

The graveside service was at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 28, 2011, in Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Joppa with Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel directing.

Pallbearers were family and friends.

Clay L. Payne

Clay L. Payne, 53, of Arab died Wednesday, July 27, 2011, at his residence.

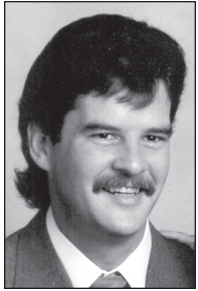
Mr. Payne was born Nov. 5, 1957, in Madison County to Lewis L. and Tempie M. Thomas Payne.

He was a 1976 graduate of Fairview High School, and avid Auburn and NASCAR fan. He was also a big Elvis fan and could sing like Elvis. He worked for several years in production at Chrysler before his retirement.

He is survived by his daughter: Brandy Nicole Payne of Springville, Mo.; granddaughter: Tazsia Payne; brother: Edward "Buddy" Payne of Harvest; four sisters: Nellie Lanier of Harvest, Brenda Prickett of Athens, Judy Thomas of Morgan City and Peggy Garrett of Albertville; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The family elected to cremate. Visitation was 5-8 p.m. Friday, July 29, 2011, at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials made to Hospice of Marshall County, Shepherd's Cove, 408 Martling Road, Albertville, Ala. 35951, or to a charity of choice.



Payne

Former Arabian elected JL president in Lancaster, Pa.

A STAFF REPORT

The Arab Tribune

Stacey Wilson, formerly of Arab, has been elected president of the Junior League of Lancaster and its 2011-2012 board of directors.

Established in 1923, the Lancaster, Pa., group grants up to \$35,000 annually to various community projects and programs that contribute to improving the life within its metropolitan area.

A major project the group kicked off recently is Habitat Women Build, in which they are partnering with the local Habitat for Humanity to help celebrate its 25th anniversary. Members are helping build a house for a family living in sub-par conditions.

"To know that a family will have a safe and clean home... to provide children with a secure place to lay their heads at night, and play outside during the day... there isn't a better opportunity to help a family and strengthen our community," Wilson said.

She said she will continue to work on the junior league's other projects and initiatives, including: its anti-bullying and conflict resolution program targeted to second graders; addressing the urgent issues surrounding childhood obesity and poor nutrition; and identifying and recognizing high school girls who are interested in starting their own business.

Wilson, mother of three boys, also is a member of the Lampeter Elementary PTO; an ambassador for the Good Wishes Program; member of the Lancaster General Hospital Auxiliary; and an active member of St. John Neumann Church.

Within the Junior League of Lancaster, she won the Annual Red Rose Award in 2009 for exemplifying the spirit of volunteer service, served on the JLL board of directors and is and has been involved in many of the group's committees and activities.

Wilson, a 1992 graduate of Arab High School, is the daughter of Gene and Linda Whitaker of Arab.



Wilson

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Chafin

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while she concentrated on hand-laced chain, such as the seven-step French method.

After he retired from NASA in 1999, they began attending the Homestead Hollow show in Springville, the Kentuck Festival of Arts in Northport and other shows.

They also have taught caning classes at the extensive John C. Campbell Folk School

in Brasstown, N.C., as well as the folkart school at Camp McDowell in Winson County.

Chafin also became well known for her unique baskets, sought by collectors in Arab and far beyond. The natural progression of her basketry led her to begin chair caning.

She loves using the various materials from nature and the patterns associated with that craft intrigued her.

It takes her about three hours to weave napkin and bread baskets. Weaving a big cotton basket of hand-split oak takes about 10 hours with both

of them splitting and weaving.

MVAC activities

Founded in 1970 as a nonprofit organization to promote the arts locally, Mountain Valley Arts Council takes the approach that the arts are an integral part of education, lifelong learning, enjoyment and a healthy vibrant community. It has brought cultural and artistic experiences to thousands of area residents.

Recently, MVAC hosted its 10th anniversary of the Alabama Songwriters'

Competition with a Fourth of July weekend festival. And for years it has conducted a free summer concert series at Lake Guntersville.

For many years Mountain Valley Arts Council has conducted juried art exhibits as well as other activities.

In conjunction with the Mountain Valley Arts Council, the Alabama Ballet and Birmingham Children's Theatre have come to Marshall County. The group also will be underwriting Arab Musical Theater's performances of "Pippin."

Lights

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of the outstanding students - not all students aren't rated that well - asked me to touch on drivers not turning on their headlights at dusk, when it rains, etc.

Many vehicles have

sensors on the dash to turn on the headlights when it starts getting dark, but this does not turn your headlights on in the rain. I usually use something to cover the sensor, which turns on the headlights.

Years and years ago, Greyhound buses burned their headlights during holidays as a reminder for all motorists to drive careful.

After doing this several times, the safety people at Greyhound noticed that, even with much more traffic on the roads during the holidays, they had a better safety record.

The conclusion... burn your headlights all the time! If your car or truck's lights don't automatically come on when you crank it, get in the habit of automatically

turning them on yourself.

Always remember to use the correct lights when driving. Give proper turn signals. Use headlights, not parking lights driving in rain, fog or dusk.

Well, guess this will do for now. 'Til next time, drive to arrive alive.

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| Sat. Aug 27 | 9:00 a.m. | Marshall Medical Center North Medical Plaza Building - Board Room - 1 st Floor 8000 AL Highway 69, Guntersville, AL 35976 |
| Tues. Aug 2 | 5:30 p.m. | Surgical Associates of Marshall 133 Wall Street Albertville, AL 35951 |
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