

JULY 1, 2025



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**NEW PRICE**

**1326 NE FORREST AVE.**  
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**FEATURES**

- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- 2000+ total Sqft
- Paved driveway
- Half acre lot
- Large kitchen
- Walk in shower
- Storage Shed
- Workshop
- 2024 A/C unit
- Not in a flood zone

REDUCED TO  
**\$220,000**

**2023 HOME ON 5 ACRES**  
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**NEW ARRIVAL**

**437 BRONCO DR.**  
ZOLFO SPRINGS, FL 33890.  
MLS#A4657133

**FEATURES**

- 5 Bedrooms
- 3 Bathrooms
- 5 Acres
- 2023 build
- Bonus family room
- kitchen with island
- Modern appliances
- Open concept
- Master bath Garden tub
- Chicken coop
- Zoned AG

LISTED AT  
**\$380,000**

**1381 SE LAKE RD.**  
ARCADIA, FL 34266. MLS#A4638048

**FEATURES**

- 3 bedroom
- 2 bathrooms
- Bonus room
- 55+ Community
- Own home & land
- .25 acre lot
- Two screened porches
- Carport
- Shed
- Fire pit
- Open concept

REDUCED TO  
**\$175,000**

**MADE IN THE USA**

**2272 PALOMAR ST.**  
NORTH PORT, FL 34287. MLS# A4646936

**FEATURES**

- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- 2.5 Car garage
- .23 acre lot
- 2248 Total sqft
- Large screened porch
- Above ground pool
- Split floor plan
- Partial garage apt.
- Not located in a flood zone

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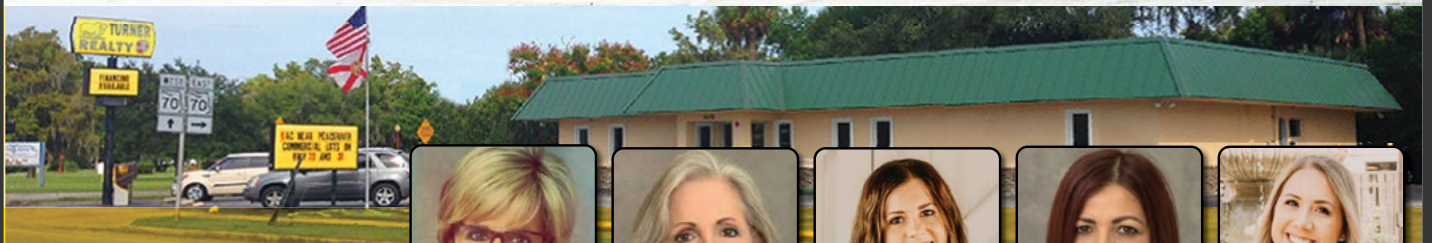
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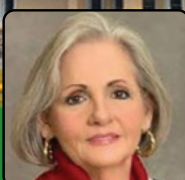
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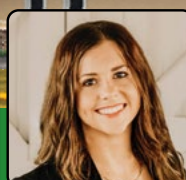
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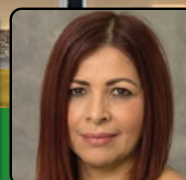
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## The Arcadia Community Local Distribution Locations

Ace Hardware	DeSoto Memorial Hospital
Anna's Restaurant	Dollar General (near Northside Shell)
Arcadia Discount Liquor	Family Care Medical Center
Arcadia Do-It-Best Hardware	Ft. Ogden Post Office
Arcadia Municipal Airport	Habitat for Humanity
Arcadia Municipal Golf Course	K & J Homegrown Produce
Arcadia Post Office	Marathon
Arcadia Village	MyShelly's Kitchen
Before & After Hair Salon	Nocatee Post Office
Big Tree RV Resort	Oak Street Deli
Champs	Publix
Circle K (Nocatee)	Publix Liquor
Circle K (North)	RMZRealty
City of Arcadia	Speedway
Collins Realty	Toby's RV Resort
Country Café	Walgreens
Crews Bank & Trust	Wheels
DaVita Dialysis Center	Wood Park Pointe
DeSoto County Annex	Yellow Deli
DeSoto County Library	
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ARREST REPORT **6/20/25 - 6/26/25**

# DESOTO COUNTY

## SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**ABREGO, ADRIAN:**

Failure To Appear - Written  
Promise To Appear (X2)

**BRUBACH, ALEXANDER  
JEROME:**

Ex Offender Violation - Fail To  
Re-Register Every 6 Months, Sex  
Offender Registration - Sex  
Offender Registration

**CHARLES, DAFYON:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Driv While Lic  
Suspend Revocation Equiv Status

**CHIPMAN, TIMOTHY RAY:**

Failure To Appear - Written  
Promise To Appear, Out-Of-County  
Warrant - Out-Of-County Warrant

**CLEMENTS, CHADWICK****CHARLES:**

Weapon Offense - Missile Into  
Dwelling Veh Building Or Aircraft

**CORSON, CAMELIA ROSE:**

Failure To Appear - Felony Warrant  
(X4), Drug Equip-Possess - And Or  
Use, Drugs-Possess - Cntrl Sub  
Wo Prescription (X3)

**CRISTIANI, VANESSA LYNNE:**

Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Dui Influence  
Of Alcohol Or Drugs, Resist Officer  
- Obstruct Wo Violence

**EDWARDS, TIESHAWN****LAMONT:**

Criminal Registration - Criminal  
Registration - Not Arrest

**FERNANDES, MANUEL DION:**

Indecent Exposure - Exposure Of  
Sexual Organs 1St Offense

**HERNANDEZ, YADIRA****ELIZABETH:**

Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail To  
Register Motor Veh, Moving Traffic  
Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O  
Valid Lic 1St Conv

**HUGHES, MARTELL JOHNTAY:**

Marijuana-Possess - Possess Less  
Than 20 Grams Cannabis,  
Out-Of-County Warrant - Out-Of-  
County Warrant

**MARTINEZ, ERIC ANTONIO:**

Battery - Touch Or Strike, Neglect  
Child - Neglect Child Without Great  
Bodily Harm (X3)

**MARTINEZ, JOSEPH THOMAS:**

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

**MERCHANT III, JULIUS****ROBERT:**

Battery - Touch Or Strike, Damage  
Prop-Crim Misch - Over 200 Dols  
Under 1000 Dols

**MOORE, JOSEPH ROBERT:**

Obscene Material-Possess - Poss  
Control View Depiction Child  
Pornography (X4)

**NETTO, NORBERTO MAMEDE:**

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor  
Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

**PERKINS, ALEXANDER:**

Lewd Lascv Behavior - Commit Sex  
Act Presence Correct Facil  
Employee

**ROBINSON, MARIAH J:**

Writ Of Bodily Attachment - Non  
Criminal Arrest, Moving Traffic Viol  
- Driv While Lic Suspend  
Revocation Equiv Status,  
Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail To  
Register Motor Veh, Nonmoving  
Traffic Viol - Attach Registration  
License Plate Not Assigned

**ROSE, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN****MURRELL:**

Battery - Touch Or Strike

**SERVIN, ALEJANDRO MIGUEL:**

Arson - 1St Degree Dwelling  
Building People Present, Burgl -  
Unoccupied Conveyance  
Unarmed, Veh Theft - Grand Theft  
Of Motor Vehicle

**THOMAS, WILLIAM DOUGLAS:**

Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Dui Influence  
Of Alcohol Or Drugs, Moving Traffic  
Viol - Driv While Lic Suspend  
Revocation Equiv Status,  
Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Refusal  
Submit Dui Testing

**TORRES, GABRIEL:**

Battery - Touch Or Strike, Prob  
Violation - Prob Violation

**TORRES, JOSE LUIS:**

Trespassing - Trespass Fail To  
Leave Prop On Order Of Owner

**YOUNGBLOOD, TONY:**

Out-Of-County Warrant - Out-Of-  
County Warrant, Amphetamine-  
Traffic - Traffic In Meth/  
Amphetamine 14 Grams+,  
Obstructing Justice - Tamper  
Evidence In Capital Fel Crim  
Proceeding, Lee/Elude Police -  
Flee Elude Leo With Lights Siren  
Active, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug  
Equip-Possess: And Or Use



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This nearly half-acre property, consisting of two well-maintained lots, offers the unique potential to build one or two homes in a private, peaceful setting. The land is cleared, mowed, and surrounded by mature trees, while still being close to schools, shopping, dining, and I-75. It includes an existing driveway, well, and septic system (condition unknown). Zoned for single-family, modular, or manufactured homes, it offers flexibility and convenience.

**\$38,000**



**NEW!**

This charming 55+ community home offers easy Florida living with land ownership (no lot rent). Featuring 2 split bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, and newer flooring, it's perfect for snowbirds or year-round residents. The open kitchen, living, and dining areas are ideal for relaxation or entertaining, with a screened-in porch and lake views adding a touch of Old Florida. Convenient indoor laundry, a one-car carport, and proximity to I-75, beaches and golf make this home an unbeatable deal.

**\$85,000**



**NEW!**

Built in 2024, this brand-new this 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home on 10 acres offers a spacious, open layout with a standout kitchen featuring granite countertops and a large island. The rooms are oversized for plenty of space to live and decorate, with a split-bedroom design and a versatile bonus room. An indoor laundry room adds convenience, and the back patio is perfect for BBQs and sunsets. Surrounded by beautiful trees, it's a solid concrete block home with everything ready for you to move in.

**\$575,000**



**BRAND  
NEW  
PRICE!**

Fort Ogden gem! This charming 2 bedroom, 1bathroom home sits on a spacious half-acre corner lot and offers light-filled living with an open layout and updated kitchen. Enjoy a large screened front porch, manicured yard with pineapple plants, and a storage shed. Recent upgrades include hurricane-impact windows/doors, metal roof, 2025 well pump, new paint, and a new water heater—plus \$2,000 in included security equipment. Minutes from Lettuce Lake boat ramp, this cozy, move-in-ready retreat won't last long!

**\$239,900**



**BRAND  
NEW  
PRICE!**

House hunting? This one checks all the boxes: 4 bedrooms, concrete block construction, split floor plan, and a massive 16x19 primary suite with en suite bath, walk-in closet, and private entrance. The bright dining room features a large picture window, while the classic white kitchen flows into a spacious bonus room-turned-living room—perfect for entertaining. Out back, enjoy privacy with 6-foot vinyl fencing. Bonus: metal roof from 2020. In a hot neighborhood where homes go fast—this one's solid, stylish, and move-in ready.

**\$288,000**



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THE  
MARKET!**

Bright, spacious, and full of charm—this 3-bed, 3-bath home offers over 2,400 sq. ft. of flexible living. Enjoy a sun-filled family room, updated kitchen, screened lanai, and caged pool—perfect for entertaining. The split layout features a luxe primary suite with jacuzzi tub and walk-in closet. Bonus room, smart pool bath/laundry, and a workshop with new 2025 roof add extra value. Set on a beautifully landscaped corner lot, this move-in-ready gem is back on the market due to relocation—don't miss your chance!

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Campers/RV  
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SUV  
Travel Trailers  
Trailers  
Trucks  
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Parts & Accessories

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## 2. MERCHANDISE

Antiques & Collectibles  
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Guns & Ammo  
Farm Equipment  
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Medical Equipment  
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20

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Lots for Rent

28

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Boat Repair & Maint.  
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Merchandise  
Livestock  
Pets  
Real Estate  
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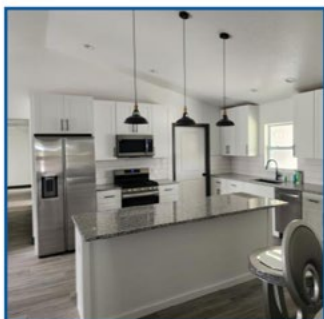
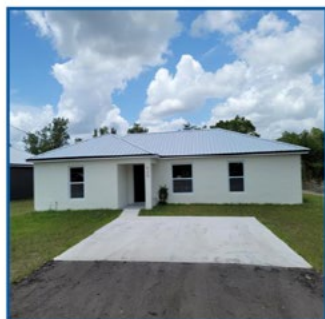
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	4			3				
		2	1	4				
		1	6				3	
	3						5	6
								2
		5	8					3
5		8						
1		9		6	3	7		
	6						9	

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4	6	3	7	1	8	2	9	5
1	2	9	5	6	3	7	4	8
5	7	8	4	2	9	3	6	1
2	1	5	8	9	6	4	7	3
6	8	7	3	5	4	9	1	2
9	3	4	2	7	1	8	5	6
7	9	1	6	8	2	5	3	4
3	5	2	1	4	7	6	8	9
8	4	6	9	3	5	1	2	7

ANSWER:



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**DeSoto County High School** | 1710 E. Gibson St., Arcadia  
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■ **Monday-Thursday** | June 3–30

**West Elementary School** | 304 W. Imogene St., Arcadia  
Breakfast: 7:30–8 a.m. | Lunch: 10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.  
■ **Monday-Thursday** | June 3–30; July 1–2 and July 7–31

**DeSoto Public Library** | 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia  
Lunch: 12–12:45 p.m.  
■ **Tuesday-Thursday** | June 3–30; July 1–2 and July 7–31

**Casa San Juan Bosco** | 2274 SE Arnold Andrews Ave., Arcadia  
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■ **Monday-Thursday** | June 3–30; July 7–31

**Heron Cove Apartments – Pick-up only** | 2019 SE Heron Cove, Arcadia  
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■ **Mondays and Thursdays** | June 3–30; July 7–31

**Dollar General Nocatee – Pick-up only** | 2780 County Road 760A, Arcadia  
Lunch: 1:45–2:30 p.m.  
■ **Mondays and Thursdays** | June 3–30; July 7–31

## Family pantries

**DeSoto YMCA** | 185 W. Winifred St., Arcadia  
4–6 p.m.  
June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Aug. 6

**West Elementary School** | 304 W. Imogene St., Arcadia  
2:30–3:30 p.m.  
June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

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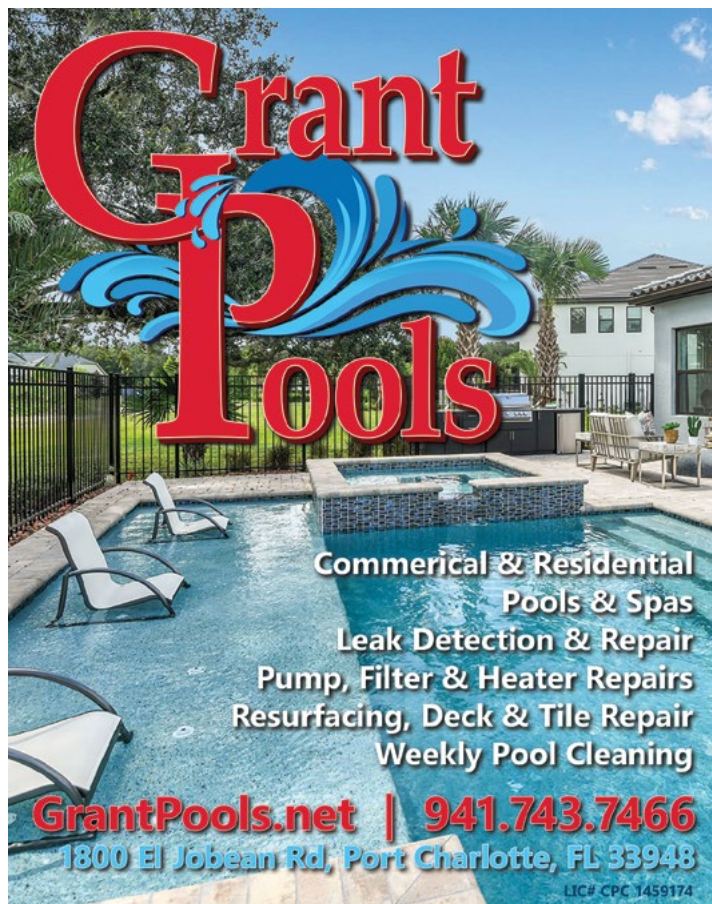


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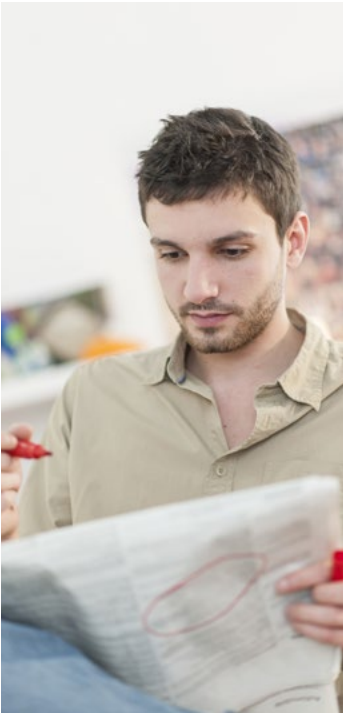
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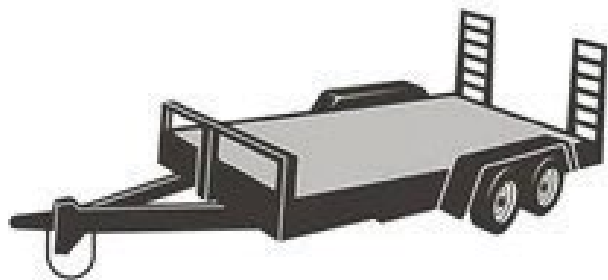
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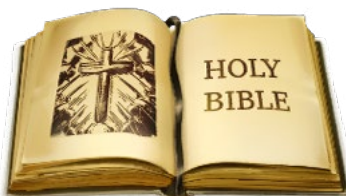
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English Worship Service ..... 11:00 AM

Servicio Divino en español .....9:15 AM

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# OBITUARIES

## John Lawrence Estes, Sr.



John Lawrence Estes, Sr. passed away on Wednesday, June 25, 2025. He was born in Arcadia, FL to Lawrence Lynn Estes and Mary Ann Nelson Estes on September 23, 1970.

He was a lifelong resident in the community.

He was a member of the North Hillsborough Baptist Church. He worked as a Ranch Hand in the Cattle Industry. He especially enjoyed cooking Bar-b-Que, playing Corn Hole as well as exploring new experiences. He loved his family, old country music and spending quality time with his family.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence Lynn and Mary Ann Estes.

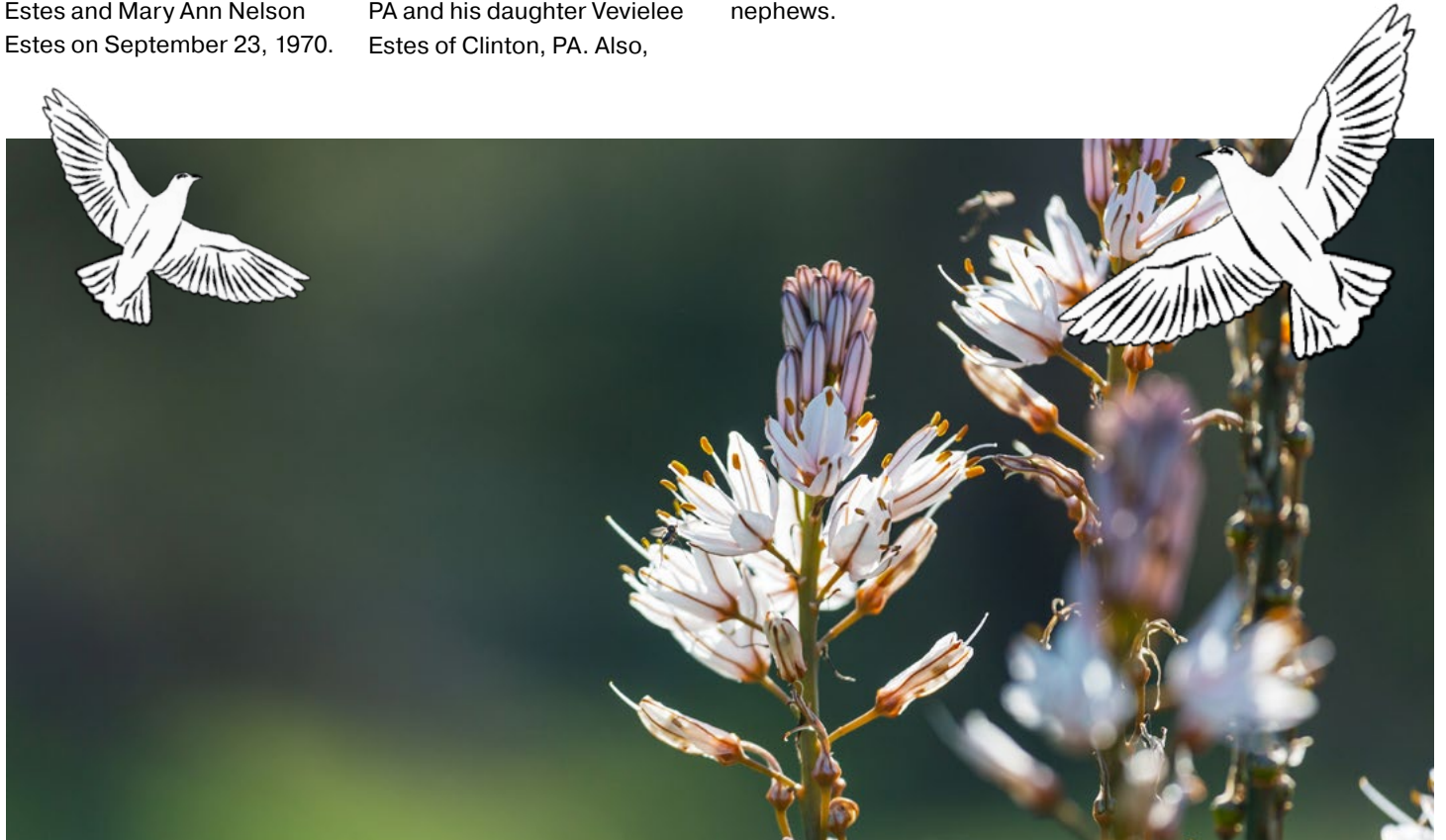
He is survived by his son John L. Estes, Jr. of Clinton, PA and his daughter Vevelee Estes of Clinton, PA. Also,

his brothers Sidney (Gator) & Rebeca Estes of Arcadia, FL, Alfred (Jodie) Estes of Milwaukee, WI, Eddie Ballard (Debbie) of LaBelle, FL, Alvin Estes of Sarasota, FL, L.C. Ballard & Mary Jane of Naples, FL and Ronnie Ballard of Naples, FL. Also, his sisters Lorrie Barr of Arcadia, FL, Louella Estes of Arcadia, FL, Stefanie (Abelino) Alvarez of Arcadia, FL and Cathy Bratt (Michael) of East Palestine, OH, and the mother of his children Tonya Nobile of Malvern, AK. There are also numerous nieces and nephews.

The Visitation was held on Saturday, June 28, 2025 at 10:00AM – 11:00AM in the chapel of Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home. The Funeral Service followed at 11:00AM in the chapel with Pastor Ellis Cross officiating. The funeral home is located at 50 N. Hillsborough Avenue, Arcadia, FL 34266.

Online condolences may be made at: [www.pongerkaysgrady.com](http://www.pongerkaysgrady.com)

Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home & Cremation Services has been entrusted with the arrangements.



# CROSSWORD

## CLUES ACROSS

1. Greek mythological figure
5. Small amount
8. Play a role
11. River in Georgia and Alabama
13. Water in the solid state
14. Ancient Greek sophist
15. Having a strong sharp smell or taste
16. Fleece
17. Writer/actress Dunham
18. Behave in a way that belittles
20. Comedienne Gasteyer
21. Zoroastrian concept of holy fire
22. Conceits
25. Slowed down
30. Nourishment
31. Midway between east and southeast
32. Fights
33. Comedienne Tyler
38. Standing operating procedure
41. Locks
43. Old
45. Song sung to one's lover
47. Whale ship captain
49. Moved quickly on foot
50. Volcanic craters
55. Large musical instrument
56. Liquefied natural gas
57. Ethiopian town
59. Not closed
60. A team's best pitcher
61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
62. Disfigure
63. Prefix denoting "in a"
64. Sleep

## CLUES DOWN

1. S. American plant
2. Soul and calypso song
3. Fruit of the service tree
4. Continent
5. Albania's capital
6. Poisonous plant
7. Argues
8. Assists
9. Town in Galilee
10. Russian leader

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12. Promotional materials
14. Wings
19. Not odd
23. Expression of creativity
24. Conceptualize
25. A digital tape recording of sound
26. Peyton's little brother
27. Cost, insurance and freight (abbr.)
28. Difference in potential
29. Owner
34. I (German)
35. Chinese conception of poetry
36. The world of the dead
37. Sign language
39. Coincide
40. Religious observance
41. Confined condition (abbr.)
42. Polite interruption sound
44. Texas ballplayer
45. Type of sword
46. Abba \_\_, Israeli politician

47. Basic unit of a chemical element
48. Native American people in California
51. Swiss river

52. Hebrew calendar month
53. Easily swindled person
54. One point south of southwest
58. Small island (British)

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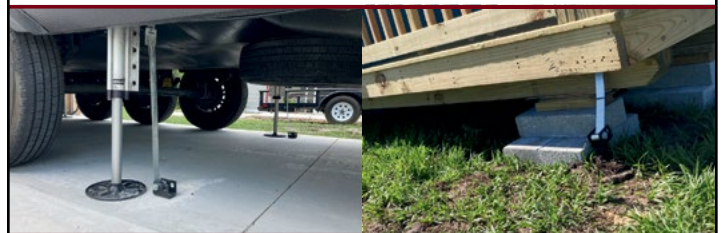
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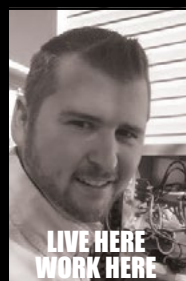


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### Time

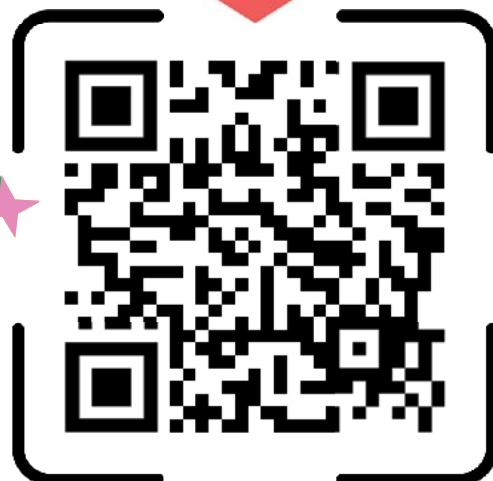
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

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has been rescheduled to:

**Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 1:30PM**

The meetings are held at the

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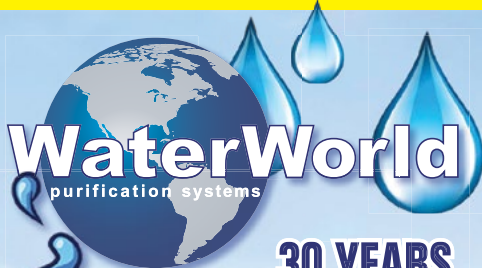
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	5							
		5			8	7		
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		9	6				5	
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2	8	6	7	1	3	5	9	4
4	9	7	2	5	6	8	1	3
1	3	5	4	9	8	7	6	2
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And for the ones in office may I, to thy word pay heed, and meet responsibility to pray for those who lead. May them in turn seek evidence whether home or abroad and seek old paths which our Founding Fathers did. Folks, remind our nation as a whole that in biblical Psalms we are taught the nation that forgets will in time be judged by God. Dear God I now it is through you that our nation has endured, so on this day I bow my head and pray to you to help us as a nation to seek your guidance.

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## Chapter 10

Our grandma had three sisters that lived in Chipley. One had a turkey farm and one planted crops of different things. The only thing I can remember about the third one was she lived up the road and had a giant, and I mean giant pecan tree right in front of her house. It was just off the road and covered the road and her house. The sister that had the turkey farm lived in an old-style house. There was an opening right down the center of the house. It had a tin roof, wood sides and sat about three feet off the ground. There was a large front porch that ran all the way across the front. When you stepped up on the porch you could walk all the way through the house to the back porch. That opening was about twelve feet wide. The first door on the right was a bedroom that was very large & had its own fireplace. The second door was storage. First door on the other side was another bedroom, just not as big and no fireplace. The second door on the left was the kitchen. Even back then, I wondered why the stove used wood to cook with. Yep, wood. Even we had an electric stove and we were poor. We didn't really eat over there, but I can remember Aunt Bessie cooking breakfast on that stove with some really good biscuits. There was a fence, I don't remember what kind, some kind of metal. It went from one side of the house to the other. It made kind of a square out back. The back part of the house was inside the fence, so if you walked out on the back porch, the turkeys could get right to the porch. Oh, my goodness, you would have had to of been there. There were thousands of turkeys, thousands. When you walked out on the porch they would come running. And the noise. You could not hear yourself think when they began to holler. And when my aunt would come out it got a whole lot worse. And yes, she had a bathroom. Did you wonder about that? Yep, she had one but it was a good 50 feet from the house. It had a nice path that you could follow though. I don't think they wanted it too close to the house cause of all the smell. I mean it didn't have any running water and it sure didn't have an exhaust fan. I would have to say it stunk & I mean it stunk bad, really bad. You know how they made those out houses? Well let me tell you. They dig a big hole and set the out house right on the hole. Aunt Bessie always bragged about her out house because it had two seats. I don't really miss that out house...



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# 4<sup>th</sup> of July



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### Biography


Shellie Shine is a 5th generation Arcadian. Shellie relocated back to DeSoto County in 2017 following her educational pursuits at Warner University. She also completed her advanced degree from University of Central Florida. Shellie is a proud Leadership DeSoto 2019 alumni. The individuals, families, and DeSoto community members at large have benefitted significantly from Shellie's education and committed efforts here in her home town. Shellie is highly skilled in a variety of evidence-based techniques, including Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT). Shellie's mission is to restore quality of life and strengthen coping abilities. She does this by focusing on each person as a unique individual and taking a strengths-based/trauma-informed approach. Mrs. Shellie Shine, LCSW is receiving spotlight for her passion and dedication in the treatment of adults, across the life span. She is a shining light here in the local health community, and a true healer for the complex geriatric population.


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