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"FOR GOD HAS NOT GIVEN US A SPIRIT OF FEAR AND TIMIDITY, BUT OF POWER, LOVE, AND SELF-DISCIPLINE." - 2 TIMOTHY 1:7

## Hilliard Town News

Dawn S. West

The Hilliard Town Council met Thursday night for their second and final teleconference meeting of April. The first order of business was the public hearing and the second and final reading of Ordinance 2020-01 which concerned extending the temporary Moratorium on Medical Marijuana. The temporary moratorium was extended another six months to September 1, 2020.

The next item was the first reading on Ordinance 2020-03 which concerned amending Chapter 42 Article II concerning Culverts. This ordinance amends and modernizes Chapter 42 Streets, Sidewalks and other Public Places; Article II Culverts, amending Section 42-31 permits required for installation; and amending Section 42-33 Pipe Size. The ordinance was approved. The public hearing and second reading will be Thursday, May 7 at 7 p.m.

The next item was a recommendation by the Planning & Zoning Board for a lot split for Ben Buchanan. Land Use Administrator Janis Fleet advised the council that all the proper paperwork had been filed and the property separated into two parcels. The property is on Oxford Street and meets the zoning district lot size requirements and has water and sewer accessible. The council approved the recommendation.

The council accepted the resignation of Planning and Zoning Board Vice-Chair Glenn Higginbotham.

The Planning & Zoning Board along with Town Clerk Lisa Purvis recommended appointing Hilliard resident Dallis Hunter to fill the vacancy on the P/Z Board.

"I don't have a problem with Mr. Hunter being on the P/Z Board but I would like to suggest that we advertise that we have an opening," said Councilwoman Callie Kay Bishop. "There may be a Hilliard resident that would like to serve in this capacity if they had the opportunity."

"We normally just choose who is nominated," said Purvis. "Mr. Hunter is a member of the Volunteer Fire Department, he is very active in his church and he is active in youth sports. I've also talked with

him and he has said he would like to serve on the board."

Council President Beasley made a motion to accept the appointment of Mr. Hunter. Councilman Kenny Sims seconded. The appointment passed by a vote of 4-1 with Bishop voting no. "Again, I have nothing against Mr. Hunter. I just thought advertising might be an option," added Bishop.

Land Use Administrator Janis Fleet advised the council of her quarterly report which included: Worked with the developers attorney on the Whisper Ridge PUD; attended a joint workshop concerning the Franklin project on US 1 and reviewed the traffic study; and met with developers on potential projects; and signed off on building permits, an average of 5 to 6 a week.

Code Enforcement Office Del Miley advised the council of his quarterly report which included: 9 miscellaneous; 1 building permit; 3 pool permits pending; 1 pool permit completed; 1 abandon vehicle; 1 land use completed (excavation/filling); 1 inspection or tree debris removal; and 1 citation for business license renewal.

Public Works Director Ritchie Rowe requested approval of a capital purchase of 20 loads of asphalt millings at a cost of \$450 per load. "This should be enough to finish all the remaining streets in the town with millings," said Rowe. The council approved the request.

Councilman Lee Pickett requested approval to use the town parking lot for a Chicken Dinner Giveaway on Saturday, April 25. "The group Hilliard's Helping Hands would like to give away 1,000 chicken dinners to families in need," said Pickett. "They came to me for permission and I think it's a great idea. It would be a drive-thru giveaway where the people would stay in their cars and the dinners would be given through the vehicle window. We can probably direct them from the back (like we do the clean-up) straight up the parking lot and out on Pine Street. We could also use some volunteers."

The council approved the request.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 7 at 7 p.m.



## Johnson's Automotive Closes



Dawn S. West

If you've never met Marvin and Tanya Johnson, you've missed a special treat. You will never find a more hard-working, genuine couple than this one. They were the owners of Johnson's Automotive, located north of Callahan on US Highway 1. Marvin is one of the best mechanics around. He has done it all of his life and worked on about every kind of vehicle there is. Marvin stopped by and chatted with me the other day. A friend dropped by while he was there and introduced herself to him. "I owned Johnson's Automotive here in Callahan for 20 years," said Marvin.

"Yes, I stopped in there one day with my car but you couldn't do anything at the time," she said.

"You must have had a hot car," he responded. "Sir?" she questioned.

"You must have wanted me to fix it right then. I have finally learned, you can't work on a hot car," he explained. "The motor is too hot and I can get burned pretty bad. In fact, I have got burned many times."

This was just a conversation with two people and Marvin handled it so well and explained everything so good. He didn't have to do that but he did. It just shows the type of person and business owner he is. Back in August, Marvin was having some really serious pain. After going to the doctor, he was told he needed to quit working as his health was declining. He and Tonya made the decision for him to quit and their son would work at the shop.

Obviously, the shop wasn't the same without Marvin. He cared about

his customers and most he treated like family. I know of two times, he was collecting items for families that were burned out of their homes. He didn't have to do that nor did he have the time but he did it. He has a heart of gold. Last month, he made the decision to close the doors of the shop for good. "It was a hard decision but it was necessary. We weren't getting anywhere with it and it was dragging us down," said Marvin. "This was a hard decision because this was my lifelong dream to own my own shop. We've made some good friends and been supported by some of the best people."

At the end of March, you couldn't even tell that there had been a business there. They cleaned up the shop and the lot, removed all the trash, hauled off the junk, cleaned the building and mowed the grass. Now that right there is a class act! This town was a better place because of the great business practice that Marvin Johnson lived by. He also wanted to let his customers know: If he has worked on your car recently and put in a new part and something happens to it, most parts are warranted. He will be happy to help you get the part you need by calling him (Marvin) at: 904-580-1404. "I also want to thank the many customers that supported us," added Marvin. "Twenty years has gone by so fast. I just want to say thank you for allowing me to work on your vehicles and serve you."

Again, this man and business owner is one of a kind! Thank you Marvin for your work and people ethics! We appreciate you!

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# Encouragement

Pastor Benjie Loyd, River Road Baptist Church, Hilliard



In this month's article I would like to give you a couple of encouragements during this trying time. Wise people have often said that keeping a journal is helpful during difficult times. There are many reasons for doing this. Journals can serve as a testimony to God's faithfulness as you see His hand in answering your prayers. Another reason for journaling is that you will forget what you were thinking in the future. A journal helps preserve your thoughts and a journal captures your true feelings. So if you haven't already, I would encourage you to start

journaling during this time, because hopefully we will never have to go through anything like this again. My journal entry for this week would contain frustration and confusion.

My second exhortation is to use this confusing time as a catalyst to become a greater lover of truth. We are a month into all of this and I am so ready for all of this to be over with. After a month into this, I am more confused and conflicted than ever. I am not fearful, but I am confused. I hear all of this information and I simply do not know what to believe. Did this virus start in a lab or in nature? Was the virus unleashed on us purposefully or accidentally? Doctors give two differing opinions on what needs to be done about the virus.

We have lived through other pandemics and the country wasn't shut down. I don't even remember sars, the swine flu, Ebola, or zika closing anything down. I read posts on social media, listen to 24 hour news, and I hear radio talk show hosts giving different perspectives on what is actually happening. I am just confused and conflicted. I don't know if this is primarily politically motivated or if there is a genuine health concern. I suspect it is a combination of the two. I am tired of not knowing. If this long drawn out process is teaching me anything, it is teaching me the absolute necessity of truth.

In a world of skepticism and cynicism, there is only one sure place to turn for the truth. That sure source of truth is the Scriptures. Psalm 19:7 says: *"The instruction of the Lord is perfect, renewing one's life, the testimony of the Lord is trustworthy, making the inexperienced wise."*

I need God's wisdom now because of all of my inexperience. I need one source of truth that will not mislead me, when I am inundated with a cesspool of "news." I am thankful that we don't have to have an answer for everything to have sanity and stability. Christians should never be dismayed but be encouraged at all times because God is our rock and redeemer.

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# Letters to the Editor



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## Virus

Dear Editor,

I've observed the "Chinese Corona Virus" this way: "Everyone had to take vacation, at the same time, at the same place, and the same people."

When we reopen our businesses, there will be NO vacations. We will have to "catch up" where we left off. We WILL be strong and dive into this movement with HIGH energy. We will need clear minds. Stay clear of Negativism. This is a "mind game" that China and globalists want us to be in. China and many supporters in our country hate the idea that we have "free Will." Look at each day as a "blessing."

WE WILL succeed...We ARE strong...WE ARE the U.S.A.!

Ecclesiastes 3  
Janice V. Corbin

Callahan, for their big hearts and willingness to help our community!

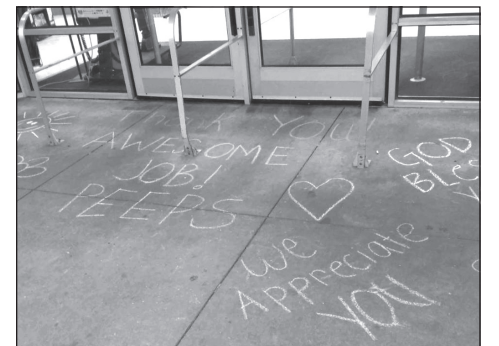
"A friend loveth at all times..." Proverbs 17:17.

Thank you ladies,  
Callahan Family Eye Center

## Thank You!

Dear Editor,

We, the employees of Hilliard Winn Dixie, would like to thank the family that came up to the store and wrote sweet things with sidewalk chalk in our doorway. It was such a joy to see that someone had taken the time to do this for all of the employees here!



## Thank You!

Dear Editor,

Since this COVID-19 pandemic has come upon us, we have seen and witnessed many medical personnel, law enforcement, truckers, restaurants and grocery store employees work selflessly to keep our economy going and our people safe. And we are so very thankful!

We would like to just recognize a couple of local ladies who also have worked tirelessly, pulled from their own resources and have sewed face masks and gaitors for anyone in need. Hundreds of masks were made and donated to several businesses, friends and family. These two sisters would do anything for anyone who has a need. We have seen first-hand their kindness!

If you know them, then you know how big their hearts are! Please help us by thanking Tina Bishop and Tammy Harris, both of

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# Callahan Approves Zoning Change

Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night by teleconference for their final meeting of April. The first order of business was the second and final reading and approval of Ordinance 2020-002 which concerned a small scale amendment to the Comprehensive Plan. The ordinance will designate the future land use of certain real property containing 1.91 acres currently described as Mixed Use to Commercial Highway future land use. The property is located on State Road 200 directly across from the Post Office.

The next agenda item was first reading on the much discussed ordinance concerning changes to the town charter. After some discussion and a motion with amended language, the council approved Ordinance 2020-006 with language changes. This ordinance concerns making the mayor an office held by a council member and chosen by the council and hiring a Town Manager for administrative duties. The charter change would also make the Town Clerk an employee of the town versus an elected position. All these changes must be made by holding a referendum for the amendment and placed on the ballot.

The following item concerned the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. Each council member had a copy of the plan prior to the meeting. The council approved the plan.

Town Manager Mike Williams advised the council, three bids had been received for paving five more roads within the town. The bids were All Pro Asphalt, \$84,955; Duval Asphalt, \$104,425; and FL Infrastructure, \$97,600. Williams recommended All Pro Asphalt at a cost of \$84,955. The council approved the recommendation.

The council received a proposal from Meridian Waste concerning disaster preparedness debris cleanup. As hurricane season is coming up, this was a contract of the services Meridian will provide during a disaster within the town limits. The council approved the proposal.

In closing comments, Mayor Fontes advised the council that at this time, the town will still host the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 7. We hope to have it attended and not virtual however as things change daily, you all will be updated so plans can be finalized.

The next council meeting will be Monday, May 4 at 7 p.m.

# JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

There's an old saying, "numbers lie and liars use numbers" and that my friends is what we are witnessing every day if you listen to the news media. We all have been flooded with numbers that are not even close to being accurate as far as COVID-19 deaths. This is a huge sham. Yes, this is a bad virus but when have you ever seen such a drastic response to a flu virus and why are the death numbers being intentionally inflated. The number of confirmed infected is because of the astronomical amount of people that have been tested. Do you not think that if we tested that many people in past years for the flu that the number of cases would have been much higher than recorded? It has been proven via admission that hospitals are listing deaths as COVID-19 related on patients that had not tested positive for the virus.

We need to open this country for business now! Keeping our borders closed is one thing I still support, but we have to allow our small businesses to get back to work. Will there be more confirmed cases and possible deaths by opening up? Yes. Will there be more confirmed cases if we remain in lock-down mode? Yes. So all we are doing is sitting around watching our once most robust economy in the history of our country go down the tubes. Of course, no one will ever convince me that wrecking the economy was not the primary goal of the forced over reaction.

This stay home quarantine reeks of a

socialist environment. It has been said, quarantine is to keep the sick from free movement and tyranny is keeping healthy people from free movement. Being told when and where one can go or not go, or requiring facemasks and staying certain distances from other people are all socialistic practices. The facemask thing actually is not a good daily practice. Wearing a facemask actually lowers ones oxygen intake and saturation, therefore directly decreases your immune system.

One of my greatest hang-ups (other than the actions of the Democrats in Washington and the millions of taxpayers' money that Obama gave the virus lab in Wuhan, China) concerns all the graduating seniors in our local schools. They have worked so hard to reach a pinnacle in their lives and it has been ripped from them. It has been many years since I graduated high school, but I still remember walking onto that stage and receiving my diploma. So to all the wonderful graduates, I commend you and congratulate you on a job well done! This is also a lesson you can learn from: Freedom is not something to take for granted. It can be removed in an instant through power hungry politicians who want to control your every move. Always stand up for our freedoms that are guaranteed in our Constitutional Republic.

As always...that's just my opinion!

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*Branson Glenn Bishop*



Branson Glenn Bishop celebrated his first birthday March 1. He celebrated his special day with a party held in his honor with his big sister Rilynn Cale and lots of family and friends joining in the fun! His proud parents are Wayne and Callie Bishop of Hilliard!

Proud grandparents are Michael and Vickie Franklin of Hilliard; and David and Glenda Bishop of Callahan. Proud great-grandparents are Dewey and Theresa Franklin; Floyd and Mary Vanzant, all of Hilliard; and Margaret and Glenn Bishop of Callahan. Proud great-great-grandmother is Emily Conner of Hilliard.

**Virtual Relay this Saturday**

The Relay For Life of Nassau County would like to invite you to our virtual relay. Our relay will be held this Saturday, April 25 on Facebook Live starting at 8 p.m. Go to Facebook and search for Relay For Life of Nassau County. We will be going live a few minutes early to give everyone a chance to find us. This is our big fundraiser for the year and not being able to have an actual Relay is difficult. If you would like to make a donation there are several ways you can: Donations may be dropped off at the Callahan Masonic Lodge (behind Town Hall) Saturday from 6-8 p.m.; Donate through the App; Donations to a team can be made online by visiting: [www.relayforlife.org/westnassaucounty](http://www.relayforlife.org/westnassaucounty).



For our virtual relay we will be at the Callahan Masonic Lodge. If you would like to show your support while practicing social distancing, come to the Masonic Lodge and drive through the parking lot and wave. We will be there to greet you from a distance.

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Drive-Thru at Hilliard Town Hall

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Confederate Memorial Day is a day legislated by each of the thirteen States represented on the Confederate Battle Flag and does not always occur in April. Actually, there are seven different dates across the South designated as Confederate Memorial Day: January

19, Texas; April 26, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi; May 10, North Carolina, South Carolina; May 30, Virginia; June 3, Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana; June first Saturday, Missouri; and October, Arkansas.

Confederate Memorial Day events honoring fallen Confederate soldiers and sailors are often held jointly with Sons of Confederate Veterans, Order of Confederate Rose and United Daughters of the Confederacy. These events are usually held at battle fields, monuments and cemeteries across the South.

## Teachers Keeping in Touch

Amanda Thien, CMS/WNHS Gifted

This past Friday was National Haiku Day. I challenged my students to think about and write a Japanese poem with just three lines to express in a direct and simple means how they feel about life as we now know it. Here are several submissions I received. Thoughts from a young person's perspective!

Corona is bad I wish I could go outside My dog keeps me sane. -Ronnie Lawson	Sickness is now here Hospitals are almost full It is not awesome. -Liam Green	News of a virus Sent people into crisis I'm bored, people hoard! -Baylie Cruce
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**MELISSA ANN CONNER**



It is with great sadness that the family of Melissa Conner announces her passing Wednesday, April 15, 2020, after six years of battling the fight with cancer at the age of 52.

Melissa is remembered by her son Kevin Michael (Heather) Bayless; grandchildren Conner Bayless, Brooke Bayless and Kynleigh Bayless; sisters Sandy Coffey and Holly Johnson; brothers Michael Conner, Mark Conner and Robby Crawford; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations in memory of Melissa Conner may be made to: Community Hospice, 4266 Sunbeam Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32257.

John 14:2 "In my Father's house are many mansions, if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."

The family received friends prior to the memorial service held Saturday, April 18 in the chapel of Corey-Kerlin Funeral Home, Jacksonville.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.corey-kerlin.com](http://www.corey-kerlin.com).

Corey-Kerlin Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

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years to come. You will be greatly missed, but we know you have been longing to go to your forever spiritual home for eternity.

She was predeceased by her husband William Joe Eddy; her parents Leighton L. and Zylphia Thrift Crews; nine sisters and three brothers.

Vera has one surviving sister, Lydia Crews Davis. In 1950, after graduating from Macclenny Glen High School in Baker County, she married Joe and they were blessed with three children Vicki Eddy, Paulette (Donnie) Kirkland and Joseph Christopher (Dee) Eddy; grandmother to 10 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Active pallbearers were Klynt Farmer, Jason Eddy, Daniel Eddy, Travis Higginbotham, Justin Kirkland and Mike Horton.

The family held a private graveside service Tuesday, April 21 at Jones Cemetery, Callahan.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nassauffh.com](http://www.nassauffh.com).

Arrangements by Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

**VIRGINIA MAY HOWARD**



Virginia "Ginny" May Howard, 72, of Hilliard, went home to be with the Lord on April 15, 2020. She was born on September 22, 1947 in Peoria, Illinois to Charles R. Hall and Virginia M. Hall. Ginny loved her family dearly, NASCAR, bingo, her church and the Florida State Seminoles. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband JP Howard; and sister Barbara Rochel.

Ginny is survived by her children Johnny (Debbie) Currin, Virginia L. Ritchie, George (Sherrie) Currin, David Currin and Susan (Shawn) Mortiner; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A private service was held Monday, April 17 in the chapel of Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan. Interment will follow in Otto, North Carolina where Ginny will finally be reunited with her loving JP.

Arrangements by Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

Visit [www.nassauffh.com](http://www.nassauffh.com) to sign the family's guest book.

**RICHARD MORRISON LEE**



Richard Morrison Lee, 48, of Callahan, passed away on April 14, 2020. He was born on November 23, 1971, in Jacksonville to the late Clarence Raymond and Patricia Lee. Richard attended Bryceville First Baptist Church.

Richard loved his family. He enjoyed doing projects, like remodeling his home and he recently built a chicken condo. There wasn't a task or project he couldn't tackle. He was an awesome cookie maker and grill master. His latest hobby was collecting cars and he enjoyed working outside with his chickens by his side. He worked nights at Walmart D.C. in Macclenny, so he could be home during the day with his four children. His greatest joy was being with his family and watching his kids play basketball. At

were the keys to success. On May 31, 1947, he married the love of his life, Ruth Carver Harper, and they recently celebrated 72 years of marriage.

Sib served our country during World War II in the United States Army. Upon receiving an Honorable discharge, he and Ruth moved to Macclenny. There he owned and operated Harpers' Shoe Store where he was the top salesman and a shoe cobbler. Several years later Mr. Harper's career lead him to beauty/barber school and he joined Ruth in the beauty profession at Sib & Ruth's Beauty Salon, in Marietta. In later years, he transitioned to the retail convenience store business, Hi-Way Market on Phillips Highway & Sunbeam Road. He retired in 1987 to enjoy family and grandchildren. Daddy lived a wonderful life.

In addition to his wife Ruth; he is survived by two daughters, Renee (Ronnie) Dorminey of Jacksonville and Sybil (Billy) Purvis of Callahan; five grandchildren, Blake, Dusty, Winnie, Betsey and Maddison and six great-grandchildren, all of whom he loved and adored. Mr. Harper had many other relatives and close friends. He was a deacon and served God and others at First Baptist Church Jacksonville.

The family would like to especially thank Carlotta and Dorothy for their many years of service and dedication, the entire staff at Rosecastle of Deerwood and Heartland Hospice for their loving care of our father.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, our family will have a private family graveside service.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions, in honor of Sibbett Harper, to Pinky Promise Foundation, PO Box 1934, Callahan, FL 32011 or Heartland Hospice, 8130 Baymeadows Way West Suite 201, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

**VERA CREWS EDDY**



Vera Crews Eddy was born on February 11, 1933 in Macclenny. She left this earth for her heavenly home on April 16, 2020.

Vera was a member of the Anchor Church in Callahan and enjoyed attending church with her many dear friends and family. She was a loving person who had a big heart. Her children and grandchildren will have fond memories of her for many

**SIBBETT HARPER**



Then came the morning, April 14, 2020, at 3:25 a.m., Sibbett Harper met his Lord and Savior face to face. Sib was born June 16, 1926 to Kiler and

Winnie Jowers Harper, in Douglas, Georgia. His family included his brothers and sisters Myrtice, Hester, Ruth, Woodrow, Elmer and Felton, all deceased. Sib had very little education. He learned early in life, hard work and trusting God

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work Richard was well liked and respected for his humor, knowledge and tremendous work ethic over the past 15 years.

Our hearts are truly broken. He was a very special husband, father and friend. He will forever be missed. To his wife Windy, he will always be her Sugar.

Richard is survived by his wife Windy; daughters Emily (15) and Sophia (14); sons Clayton (11) and Harrison (8); sister Patti and her husband Wes; nieces Shelby and Kayla Zufall; and many other aunts, uncles nieces and nephews and his best friend Charles Warren.

A memorial service was held Saturday, April 18 at Bryceville First Baptist Church.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.cedarbayfuneralhome.com](http://www.cedarbayfuneralhome.com).

Cedar Bay Funeral Home handled arrangements.

## BETTY JANE SLAGLE

Betty Jane Slagle, 80, of the Hickory Flats (Virginia) community, passed away Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at her residence after an extended



illness. Mrs. Slagle loved quilting, needlepoint, sewing and cooking.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ollie E. and Dollie Harrison Wood; her husband Morrison Slagle; a daughter Marina L. Slagle; and brothers Vernon Wood and Alan Wood.

She is survived by her son Morris (Cindy) Slagle of Callahan; brothers David Wood, Olen (Pat) Wood, John (Jean) Wood and Gary (Denise) Wood; sisters Wanda (Gerald) Ramey, Carolyn Rasnic, Judy Hubble, Phyllis (Edgar) Fannon and Rita (Kurt) Bledsoe; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family expresses deep appreciation to Betty's caregivers, Louise, Hannah, Michelle, Ada and Harriet for the excellent care provided to her during her illness.

The family received friends Thursday, April 9 prior to the private funeral service at Mullins-Sturgill Funeral Home with Rev. Betty Marshall officiating. Private committal services followed at Lee Memorial Gardens in Woodway.

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