

They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?"

He is not here, He has risen!

Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'

Luke 24:2-7

Callahan Approves Popeyes

Dawn S. West

The Callahan Town Council met Monday night, via teleconference, for their first meeting of April. The first order of business was four public hearings. The first was Ordinance 2020-002 which concerned a small scale amendment to the Town's Comprehensive Plan Changing 1.91 acres on US Highway 1 from Mixed Use to Commercial Highway future land use. The council approved the ordinance.

The next was Ordinance 2020-003 which concerned Chapter 195 to amend Due Public Notice definitions and requirements. The council approved the ordinance.

The final was Ordinance 2020-004 which concerned amending Chapter 195 of the Callahan Code by removing outdated provisions and updating language. The council approved the ordinance.

The council received a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board to approve Popeyes Louisiana Kitchen site plan as presented. A public hearing was held on all previous items however on this item the council received public comment from Mr. Arthur Israel. "I am opposed to a Popeyes coming to Callahan. We don't need another fast food restaurant here," said Israel. "We need a nice place to go eat."

"We have petitioned several different restaurants but none have responded," said Mayor Marty Fontes. "It's not like we haven't tried."

"I've contacted numerous eating places: Golden Coral, Ruby Tuesday, etc.," said Councilman Ken Bass. "All respond that we don't have enough people or enough money to bring them here."

"I've only lived here about 2 years. I appreciate you answering my questions," added Israel.

"When I was mayor, I worked really hard to try to get a Publix to come to Callahan," added Councilwoman Shirley Graham. "It was the same story. Not enough people to



bring it."

Following the discussion, the council unanimously approved the Popeyes site plan. Popeyes Louisiana Kitchen construction will begin shortly with hopes for completion before Christmas!

Mayor Fontes advised the council that he had got some answers concerning the WeatherStem agreement with Nassau County and the Sheriff's Department. "I was told there will be 5 weather stations throughout the county. People in Callahan, Hilliard, Yulee and Fernandina Beach can use it," said Fontes. "Should we choose to have one here in Callahan the cost would be \$400 per month for 10 years with the first 3 months free. The weather station would be placed on the water tower or the fire station."

The council approved the WeatherStem agreement.

Fontes also advised the council that he declared a State of Emergency in the Town of Callahan on March 18. He requests to continue the emergency state until April 30 or until the pandemic is lifted. The council approved to continue.

Fontes gave an update on the Economic Opportunity Grant which is for \$5 million. "There have been some major changes. FPL is not pleased with the response from the county," said Fontes. "I recommend that we go ahead to run the wastewater line from our wastewater plant out US 301 to Crawford Diamond, and build a wastewater

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Lifetime Service Awards

Dawn S. West

The Northeast Florida Fair Association recently honored four recipients with Lifetime Service Awards at their Annual Meeting. However, none of the recipients were physically able to attend the meeting so they were delivered to their homes by President Keith Wingate and Trustee Paulette Kirkland.

The plaque read: In Recognition and Appreciation for Your Many Years of Dedicated Service! Receiving Lifetime Service Awards were: Mr. Buford Howard; Mr. Gil Quarrier; Mrs. Shirley Stalvey; and Mrs. Audrey Thompson.

Mr. Buford Howard, formerly of Callahan, now a resident of Land of Lakes, served for years as the Audio Visual Technician at the fair. Mr. Buford made sure all of the electrical equipment (microphones, speakers, etc.) throughout the fair were all working properly. Buford spent many a night at the fair making sure everything was in working order! His smiling face was a great addition each year!

Mr. Gil Quarrier (not pictured), of



Callahan, and his entire family have been longtime fair supporters and contributors. For many years he had cattle in the fair. Gil has served as a Trustee and Director for many years and his service was much appreciated.

Mrs. Shirley Stalvey, of Callahan, has served as Committee Chair of the Home Arts Exhibits for many years. The fair just wouldn't be the same without seeing Mrs. Shirley's smiling face in the exhibit area. She has always made sure to greet everyone with a smile and show them around!

Mrs. Audrey Thompson, of Callahan, served as the 'Voice' of the Callahan fair forever and also served as the receptionist. Back in the day, she made all the announcements necessary to keep things rolling. She always called out the bus numbers to pick up the children and if you didn't come...she would call you out about it! I still miss hearing her voice over the intercom!

Lizzy Kramer was also awarded Volunteer of the Year for 2019. Not only did

Lizzy log more hours than any other volunteer, she recruited her co-workers from VyStar to volunteer also!

"We are thankful for each one of the award

recipients and the great contributions that they have made to the NE FL Fair over the past decades!" said Keith Wingate. "What a great group of people have contributed over the years to help make the fair what it is today!"



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He Lives

Pastor Arlie Johns, Hilliard First Assembly of God



Well, we have been through a lot of changes in our way of living over the last month or so because of the Covid-19 pandemic. I have had to learn how to preach to an audience by way of Live Stream and Facebook Live for a couple of Sundays. Then this past Sunday we added a new twist by doing a Drive-Up Church in the parking lot, using FM Radio and a portable sound system. Yet, I'm still preaching by way of Live Stream and Facebook Live for those who couldn't make it out for service. So far, I have enjoyed the Drive-up Church crowd best because I was able to hear their responses to the preaching. When they wanted to say Amen they honked their car horn (a lot of horn honking went on this past Sunday). I'm not sure if the preaching was all that great or if they just liked the idea of honking their horn, during church, but I liked it.

Let me just say that Satan isn't going to keep the Church from meeting. What he intended for the bad, God is turning around for the Good. I believe that there has been more preaching of the Word of God on Facebook and YouTube over the past few Sundays than ever before recorded in history. This Sunday we will be celebrating Easter, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Let me tell you He's not dead, He is Alive and well. Though things might be constantly changing around us, one thing is for sure, neither God nor His Word have changed. The Bible says in Hebrews 13:8, *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."* (NIV84)

Let me share with you the words of this great Hymn written by Alfred Henry Ackley called "He Lives". As you read through these words of this song I believe it will bring hope and build faith in your spiritual life.

I serve a risen Savior He's in the world today. I know that He is living, whatever men may say. I see His hand of mercy; I hear His voice of cheer; and just the time I need Him, He's always near. In all the world around me, I see His loving care, And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair; I know that He is leading, through all the stormy blast; the day of His appearing will come at last.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing, eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The Hope of all who seek Him, the help of all who find, None other is so loving, So good and kind. Chorus: He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

I close today by speaking over each of you Numbers 6:24-26 *"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."* (NIV84)

Letters to the Editor



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Thank you

Dear Editor,


Back at the end of last August, the county came into our neighborhood and dug out all our drainage along the side of the roads. After that, when it rained my yard started to flood even worse than it had in the past. It would hold water and then, eventually, it would run off. My property always remained wet. And because of this problem, I had to find something I could do as a homeowner to correct this problem.

I contacted Dirt Pro to see about getting a few loads of dirt. Well, with the weather not cooperating, my yard holding water, and making the arrangements to get the dirt, it has taken since October of last year to finally get all the dirt I hope I need.

The people at Dirt Pro have been so very helpful during this entire process. I may have called them a time or 20, but we managed to work through all the problems and all the months to have gotten over 50 loads of dirt. They have really done a great job! It looks nice and in some places the grass is starting to grow back (that may take a while). When you find a company that does good work and are so cooperative through a process like this, you really need to thank them. I know if I ever need dirt again, I would not hesitate to contact them. Get our local companies to do the job for you. Thank you Dirt Pro!

JoAnn Sorrells

Foster Parents Needed

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Dear Editor,

Our beaches, schools, and businesses have closed. Social gatherings have stopped and traffic has slowed down. The world has paused. But what does not stop during a pandemic? Child abuse and child neglect.

Amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, National Youth Advocate Program (NYAP) has not lost sight of the need for foster homes in Nassau and Duval counties. In our very own community, innocent children are coming into foster care every single day. This is a call for action! The First Coast needs foster homes now more than ever.

NYAP is still open for business and eager to train and license foster parents in a safe and convenient way. Contact us today to learn about personalized online training opportunities to fast track you in becoming a licensed foster parent. In a world full of chaos and uncertainty...will you be the safe place for a child?

Anyone interested in learning more about the foster parent experience can find answers at 877-692-7226- nyap.org - Facebook @National Youth Advocate Program - Jacksonville.

Thank you,
Felicia Beckner
Recruitment and Training Manager

Callahan Approves

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facility at the site. Also we will run a water line from the future water site to US 301. This will satisfy our obligation to the DEO Grant. That would use almost all of the grant money then we're done with our part. Private investment will construct the water plant on the site which we will operate."

The council approved for Mayor Fontes to file an amendment to the contract to continue the project.

The next meeting of the council will be Monday, April 20 at 7 p.m. probably on teleconference again.

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Hilliard Town News

Dawn S. West

The Hilliard Town Council met Thursday night for their first meeting of April via telephone conferencing due to the coronavirus outbreak. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Floyd Vanzant followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. Town Clerk Lisa Purvis called roll, in which all council persons and department heads answered.

The first item was the Water Conservation proclamation requested by the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) and Mr. Geoffrey Samples. Town Attorney Christian Waugh read the proclamation that included: water is a basic and essential need for everyone; we want to help educate the citizens on the importance of water conservation; and everyone can make a difference by conserving water. "I want to thank you (Mayor) and the council for reading this today," said Samples. "March was a dry month and April is predicted to be even drier so more the reason to conserve water."

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis presented all the bids for the mowing contracts to the council. A motion was made by Councilman Kenny Sims and seconded by Councilman Jared Wollitz to accept the mowing contract bid from Smart Lawn Care at a cost of \$66,000. The council unanimously approved the award.

The next item was the approval of Emergency Ordinance 2020-02 which concerned declaring a State of Emergency in the Town of Hilliard. This was an emergency ordinance of the town council for the Town of Hilliard declaring a State of Emergency within the town of Hilliard in accordance with the declaration of emergency by the Governor; adopting emergency regulations to address preparation, management and mitigation of the Covid-19 threat.

The following item was an emergency item added to the agenda by Mayor Floyd Vanzant which concerned setting up a workshop on Mayor Reform. Town Attorney Christian Waugh advised the council that he would like to give a little background about the workshop. "The concern is the Sunshine Law between the council and the mayor," said Waugh. "The town Charter says one thing and the Town Code says another. One needs to be corrected. Giving a veto to the mayor but can be changed by a 3-2 vote of the council. We need to make the changes or corrections by July."

"I think we should have a workshop on this however I would prefer us to do it in front of each other and not on the phone," said Sims. "I just feel like we can understand each other better in person."

Councilman Wollitz agreed.

"Perhaps we can at least have one workshop by phone to understand the issues, then hopefully by the next workshop we can all meet in person," added Vanzant.

"Let's discuss it at our next meeting and possibly set up a workshop date then," said Sims.

Another emergency item was added to the agenda: Setting a workshop for Policy for the Pandemic. "I was looking at Monday, April 6 for the workshop so we can get organized," said Town Clerk Lisa Purvis. "This is so that emergency powers will be designated to enable people who deal with day to day services and problems. Our attorney will have a draft ready for each of you to look over prior to the workshop."

"Can we move the workshop to Tuesday, April 7 at 6 p.m.?" asked Councilman Wollitz.

The council approved the emergency workshop teleconference Tuesday, April 7 at 6 p.m.

In closing comments, Purvis requested approval to continue no late charges or cutoffs through April and also close the window (drive-thru) effective Friday, April 3? "We have had several people not following the distancing orders and our employees are scared they will get sick," said Purvis. "People can call the office, use the drop box or call for an appointment."

"Why wasn't this added to the agenda?" said Councilwoman Callie Kay Bishop. "These are things, I feel like we should discuss. Shouldn't we (council) be notified when changes are made?"

"This is what the State of Emergency allows. Decisions to be made and handled," said Purvis.

"I totally agree that we (council) should be told about any changes," added Wollitz. "I don't want to be blindsided by residents about something I don't even know about."

"I will notify council members about changes," said Purvis.

"Of course all of our programs are suspended and the fitness center is closed," said Parks & Recreation Director Kyle Malucci. "Are we going to look at possible refunds for gymnastics and soccer since they have only had one game? Also, some of our employees are questioning will they be laid off or do we have a plan?"

"Could your employees help out in other departments? It's just a thought," said Sims.

"That's a great idea," said Council President Beasley. "Check around and see what they can do. Also, we will look at refunds for those programs."

The next teleconference council meeting will be Thursday, April 16 at 7 p.m.

JUST MY OPINION

Roger R. West

First I want to thank God for the ability to publish another issue of the Westside Journal this week. As so many of our community are suffering financially from lay-offs, restaurants only surviving by take-out and some of our local businesses have had to close their doors. We at the Westside Journal depend solely on our advertisers; therefore if they shut down, we shut down. God has blessed us with such awesome and faithful advertisers. We thank Him every day for each of them and pray for their businesses. I humbly ask everyone to support our local businesses. Instead of going to the big box stores, go to our local hardware stores, support our local restaurants and shop at our local grocery stores. All of these and more is the livelihood of our neighbors. This is a time when we need to support one another. These uncertain times will pass, by the Grace of God, and hopefully we as a nation will have learned to humble ourselves and appreciate what God has done for us.

You know I have to throw a little politics into this. Remember when the supposed whistle blower accused President Trump of quid pro quo, which led to the eventual partisan impeachment of President Trump? Nancy Pelosi and her gaggle of fellow democrats have done the exact same thing that they falsely accused our President of. Their quid pro quo is factual but it's now called politics. Our illustrious democrat controlled House of Representatives held the American citizens as hostage in their attempt to push their radical agenda upon our country. They held up the bi-

partisan stimulus bill to help Americans financially during this COVID-19 saga. Why? Because as House Majority Whip James Clyburn stated, "This was a tremendous opportunity to restructure things to fit our vision." How low will they go?

Just a short list of what the Democrats were holding the American citizens hostage for were items such as the bill would eliminate "a minimum of \$10,000 of federal and private student loan debt for each borrower." It would force states to adopt same-day voter registration, also forbids states from "imposing additional conditions or requirements on the eligibility of a voter to cast an absentee ballot such as notarization or witness signature, and prohibits requiring identification to obtain an absentee ballot." Of course it didn't stop there, how about the part where any company that accepts federal assistance must give their employees a \$15-per-hour minimum wage. According to their bill, airlines that accept government money "must offset their carbon emissions by 50% by 2050." Then there was the \$11 billion bailout of the U.S. Postal Service, airlines must have union representation on their boards, Obamaphone program would receive more money and \$35 million for the Kennedy Center.

The democrats lack shame in a time to help the very people they are supposed to represent. Hopefully the voters will remember what the democrats did come Election Day.

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

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New Beginnings and Milestones

Mr. Perrin N. Farrar Celebrates 90th Birthday

Mr. Perrin N. Farrar, of Hilliard, celebrated his 90th birthday April 2. “Pop Pop” was born April 2, 1930. He served in the US Navy during the Korean War from 1950-1954. He served on the USS Robinson “Rotten Robbie” and went on a complete world tour, where he actually looped the world.

His family was planning for his birthday party when his oldest son Pari was scheduled for open heart surgery. Plans were changed and they began working on something different for a party for him once Covid-19 hit.

His caregiver Melissa and his daughter-in-law Melissa were volunteering at the community dinner on Wednesday when they discussed the night before his birthday the idea of just driving by, blowing horns and waving. On the morning of his birthday, they called the non-emergency number to make sure that they would be okay to meet at Hilliard Elementary and do the drive-by party.

To their surprise the sheriff’s office called back and said yes that’s fine and we’d love to join you! The family was so surprised when Sheriff Leeper showed up and brought a cake! Nassau County Fire Rescue even sent an engine to end the parade. Many cars from the community even came out after the plan of the parade was announced on social media. The video on Facebook currently has more than 15,000 views! What a memorable birthday celebration!



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Congratulations Alex!

My eldest daughter Alexandra (Alex) Propper will turn 21 this coming July. When she attended West Nassau High School, she decided to take advantage of being able to enroll and participate in college classes. This was the start of her plan to secure a career as a Registered Nurse. After graduating high school with 2 years of required prerequisites completed, her drive and ability to see the nursing program through was secured financially with a grant she applied for, monitored, followed up with and secured being eligible for as an employed student. Having secured her Medical Assistant’s license (while still in high school) she secured employment in a medical capacity at an assisted living facility in Amelia Island as she continued her college at FSCJ. She was a full time student in the nursing program, an employee at an assisted living facility and a dedicated member of her church that she attended whenever school and work permitted. In the midst of all, she also was able to provide herself some savings by supplying the insurance company copies of her wonderful grades and also providing her dad with endless amounts of pride by presenting him with a copy of the letter stating she had made the Dean’s list. During her final term in college, she was hired as a Medical Assistant in the field of Juvenile Mental Health which is the field she desired to enter as an RN. While working as a Medical Assistant in the Juvenile Mental Health department

Alex was awarded the company defined “Starfish Award” which is an award recognizing her accomplishments in how she cares about what she does and concern for the wellbeing of others even when the job or description of the job may not warrant or require it. Alex completed the nursing program, passed the college RN final exam, was hired by her current employer as an RN in Juvenile Mental Health just as she had set out to and also passed the State Nursing exam. Currently, Alex has been working as an official RN in the field of Juvenile Mental Behavior for just about 1 month and when she received an award, Employee of the Month!

I am elated to tell you about how accomplished Alex is, how driven she is and how much she cares about those around her. Tomorrow and what it holds will just become more interesting for me and my life as what I haven’t shared with you is that Alex has two younger sisters who have no less determination, drive, compassion and focus when they identify their road ahead.

Thanks so much again for your making sure we continue to get a serving of some sort of positive/good news in our weekly editions of the Westside Journal. I know that I speak for others as well as myself when I say it truly does make a difference and we as a community appreciate all that you do.

Sincerely,
Loren Propper (one proud dad)



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Dawn S. West

I have noticed the new paint job, nice fencing and just the all-around upgrading of the building on US Highway 1 directly across from Spinner's Pizza in Hilliard. I tried to look and see just what it was but my mind got the best of me and Roger did some checking. He visited the website: www.tandemk9.com and was impressed with what he found. We need to do a story on them he suggested.

Friday, I made an appointment to visit with Dana Brown, owner and her partner Freddie Burger. Fortunately for me, she had a training session with one dog and a consultation with another. The dogs live in the same house but are different breeds and about six months different in the ages. Dana worked with the younger dog first, Miles (a boxer), to access his training needs. As his owner and I sat on a couch, the energetic boxer ran around the room. Dana continued to talk with him but he continued to check us out. She told us to ignore him. In a short time, he gave Dana his full attention and continued to follow her commands somewhat.

Dana joined the Marine Corp in 1995 and served 17 years. She worked as a Military Police and trained dogs. She started showing

dogs when she was only 9 years old so dogs have been a big part of her life for a long time. In the military, she trained the dogs to be working dogs, searching for bombs, explosives, etc. "It was very intense but I love it," said Dana. "Dogs are masters of body signals. They are going to react to what our body is telling them."

She actually began Tandem K9 in memory of Dustin 'Dusty' Jerome Lee, a friend who served with her in Iraq. He was killed in the line of duty March 21, 2007. "This was actually Dusty's dream to start this type of school," added Dana. "He was a great person and shared my passion and love of dogs."

During the assessment with the boxer, Dana was constantly working with the dog and talking with the master



about things to do. Later, she put Miles in the kennel and went and got Zeva, a giant schnauzer. It was completely night and day between the two dogs. As she continued to train and again referred to the owner of what needed to be done at home. "We are actually training the owners what to do," continued Dana. "The animal knows what to do. The key is to take time with your dog daily and they learn. This is so rewarding for me."

Dana has recently been working as a contract worker in Iraq training dogs. Due to

the Covid-19, she and Freddie are home for a while. The back of the building is set up with a kitchen, living room, bathroom, much like anyone's home. This is done so when people tell her they are having problems with their dog when they're in the kitchen, she can actually make it look that way to the dog. Such a neat set up.

She plans to have a doggy daycare and grooming at some point. She also plans to board for some clients. She is looking for a part-time groomer now.

If you are interested in some training for your dog or dogs, you should check her out. Again, the website, which is very informative, is: www.tandemk9.com. She can be reached by calling 904-675-9127 and the address is 551690 US Highway 1, Hilliard.



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YOLANDA LAINE CRIBBS

Yolanda Laine 'Landy' Cribbs, 61, of Folkston, Georgia, passed away Friday April 3, 2020. She was born February 27, 1959 in Rockledge, Florida to the late Alton Thompson, Sr. and Mary Jean Johns. She was so proud of her grandchildren. She had a giving heart and would always help anyone who needed it. She loved her fur babies. She was a member of Bethel Pentecostal Lighthouse Church in Blackshear, Georgia.

She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Marshall Dewayne Cribbs; two daughters Misty Mullis and Stephanie (Kyle) Starling; two grandchildren Madison Laine Mullis and Kiley Amelia Starling; two brothers Alton Thompson, Jr. and Danny Thompson.

Memorialization will be by cremation.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements by Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home in Folkston.

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grandchildren Brandon Upshaw, Destiny Hannan, Jobe Hannan and Caleb Hannan; sister Hilda Faye Gainey-Harvey of Macclenny; favorite niece Diana; and a host of nieces and nephews and friends.

Special thanks to VITAS Health Care, UF Shands North, Pastor Reginald Edwards, Sr. and the Greater Mt. Pleasant Church Family.

The family received friends prior to the home going service held March 21 at Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, Callahan.

Mr. Gainey was laid to rest Monday, March 23 at the Jacksonville National Cemetery, Lannie Road with full military honors.

Sarah L. Carter's Funeral Home Northside served the family.

NEDRELL LEE JONES

Nedrell Lee Jones, of Callahan, passed away March 27, 2020. She was born October 11, 1954 in Kingsport, Tennessee to Alonzo and Maude Sexton. Nedrell was orphaned at age 13 and grew up with her Aunt's supervision. She graduated from high school in Wise, Virginia and moved to Jacksonville to play basketball for the junior college. After college Nedrell worked for several firms in Jacksonville including Ryder Truck Lines. After their merger with Pacific Intermountain Express and subsequent bankruptcy she worked for Joseph's Italian Restaurant until she fulfilled her lifelong dream of opening her own restaurant. Nedrell opened Nedrelli's Italian Restaurant in 1991 after moving to Callahan. She operated the restaurant until 2000 at which time she began working at Amelia Island Plantation for several years. After retirement she worked at Cedar River Seafood for a short time. Nedrell was always a happy hard working woman who worked hard to raise her children and to help anyone she could. She was a very loving mother and grandmother. Her life was centered around her family.

Nedrell is survived by her daughter Alexis (Myles) Nelson; her son Eric Jones; step-sons Casey (Missy) Jones and Craig (April) Jones; grandchildren Mylee Nelson,

Baxlee Nelson, Dempsey Jones, Rebecca (Brandon) Hudspath, Laura Beth Jones, Leah Jones, and Chloe Jones; brothers James (Sharon) Sexton and Jerry (Thelma) Reynolds; and many friends.

Due to the current restrictions, a memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Arrangements by Giddens-Reed Funeral Home, Baldwin, (904) 266-2337, giddensreedfh.com.

JEAN 'LEE' MANNING

Jean 'Lee' Manning, lovingly known as "Kaki", 78, of Callahan, passed away on Sunday, March 29, 2020. She was born on October 14, 1941 in Tacoma Park, Maryland to John Carl and Doris Jean Whiddon. She graduated from South Broward High School in Dania, Florida, where she loved playing softball and basketball.

Lee most recently worked at the Life Care Center of Hilliard for the past 7 years. She formed lasting friendships and enjoyed the staff, patients and their families. She attended First Baptist Church of Callahan. Lee's hobbies included drawing, painting, crocheting and reading. She loved her horses, dogs, cats and her pet turtle. Her family was the biggest source of her pride. She was proud to be a Republican and loved Donald Trump.

Lee is survived by her children Donna Beasley, John and Cheryl Manning, Robert Manning and Wanda and Gerald Lambeth; her grandchildren Adam and Elizabeth Beasley, Kristen Williams, Amanda Manning, Kayla Dale, Jessica Wood, Jennifer Cooke, Michael Cooke, Brandon Manning, Alexa and Ricky Kegley, Megan Deaver, Johnny Manning, Tyler Manning and Sophia Manning; her great-grandchildren Kaleigh Beasley, Lauren Beasley, Zachariah Nylander, Connor Wood, Triston Whalen, Victoria Williams, Aidyn Jessup, Abigail Wood, Noah Deshazo, Mason Wood, Austin Bullard, Zachary Bullard and Baby Kegley that she lovingly referred to as #26; her siblings Linda Hattabaugh, Judy Hampp, John Thomas and Linda Whiddon; and many nieces, nephews and step grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Thursday, April 2 at Jones Cemetery in Callahan. A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date and time due to the current restrictions on large gatherings. Kaki will be missed by all that knew her.

Condolences may be expressed at www.nassaufh.com.

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

MARY B. MONTOYA

Mary B. Montoya, 82, passed into her Savior's arms March 31, 2020. She was born on November 29, 1937 to Pearl and Joe Bunkley. Mary loved the Lord and her family. She worked at Westrick's Paper Company with her sister Christine and later became a Cosmetologist working at various salons where she was nicknamed 'Monti.' She loved the sun and the beach (just not the water), but she most loved being with her family and going to church. Many a time you would find her reading and studying her Bible. She always shared His Word. May she find rest and continued joy celebrating with the King, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Victor T. Montoya; her children Melissa (Eric) Davis, Michael (Cherie) Montoya and Clyde (Sheila) Hicks; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Saturday, April 4 at Buford Grove Cemetery, 553274 US-1, Hilliard.

Condolences may be expressed at www.callahanfh.com.

Arrangements by Ellis L. McAninch, Jr., Callahan Funeral Home, Inc., 879-2336.

RAYMOND EMORY WEBB

Raymond Emory Webb, 69, passed away on Sunday April 5, 2020. He was born in Jacksonville to the late Homer and Emerita Webb. He served in the US Army Reserve, was a graduate of Ribault High School Class of 1969, a member of the Oceanway Assembly Of God and the 4-H Foundation. Raymond was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend and an avid Gator fan. He will be dearly missed. He is preceded in death by his brother James Webb.

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Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Linda Webb; daughters Shelly (Kyle) Richardson and Lisa Davis; son Kevin (Cheri) Webb; brothers Arthur (Carolyn) Webb, Homer (Connie) Webb, Douglas (Ann) Webb, John (Darlene) Webb and Scott (Trish) Webb; grandchildren Tyler, Bryan, Blake, Caleb and Kendra; and a host of other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends Thursday, April 9 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. in the chapel of Cedar Bay Funeral Home, 405 New Berlin Road, Jacksonville. Only 10 people allowed in the chapel at any given time during the visitation. A graveside service will be held Thursday, April 9 at 2 p.m. at Jones Cemetery Callahan, with Rev. Ken Barney, Rev. Danny Baggett and Rev. Al Force officiating.

Cedar Bay Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

PAULA REINHARDT WHITMAN

Paula Sharon Reinhardt Whitman passed away Tuesday, March 24, 2020 following an extended illness. She was born March 25, 1953 in Jacksonville



where she resided until moving to Bryceville in 2004. There she lived out the remaining days of her life close to her family and dear friends. She found no greater pleasure in life than giving to her loved ones and absorbing the love of her many pets that she cared for throughout the years.

Her family would like to express their sincerest gratitude to her dear friends Rodney and Becky Miller, Joe and Lisa Leatherman and Deborah Reinhardt Pierce for all of their love, support and devotion during her times of need.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband Raymond; along with her parents Paul and Eleanor Reinhardt.

She is survived by her son Shone (Leslie); daughter Noel; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five brothers and sisters; many cousins, nieces, nephews and an amazing group of cherished friends.

A memorial service, dedicated in her memory, will be held at a later date.

Arrangements by Giddens-Reed Funeral Home, Baldwin, 904-266-2337 (www.giddensreedfh.com).

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POLICE REPORTS

Names, Addresses and all information appearing in the Police Reports are taken from the Sheriff's Department files and do not necessarily indicate guilt, only that arrests were made or charges were filed.

Tuesday, March 31
Marie Lenora Muhs, 36, 43000 Glade Hill Road, Callahan: Union County Warrant Violation of Probation Driving While License Suspended/Revoked Habitual (x 2)

Thursday, April 2
Kathy Aleshia Smith, 48, 44098 Alton Lane, Callahan: Trespass After Warning
Matthew Paul McCollum, 29, 37111 W. Fifth Street, Hilliard: Dealing in Stolen Property; False Statement in Title Transfer; Grand Theft Auto

Help Name These Girls!



The Nassau County Sheriff's Office has two new K-9s and is asking for the community's help naming its four-legged team members. A Fernandina Beach family generously donated two 6-week old female bloodhounds to the Nassau County Sheriff's Office K-9 unit. We are asking our citizens to help us name the pups. If you'd like to send your suggestions to: Nassau County Sheriff's Office, 77151 Citizens Circle, Yulee, Florida 32097. We will accept names until April 30, 2020. Once the two names are chosen we will let you know!

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Any Nassau County senior may request five meals at this time. Additional meals will be available upon request. Just follow these steps: Call NCCOA at 904-261-0701 and tell our staff member you would like to request meals. We will complete an intake form with this information: Name, Address, Phone number, Birthdate, and your meal delivery will be scheduled.

NCCOA's Fernandina Beach and Hilliard Life Centers are closed until further notice. When we are not providing services to seniors, NCCOA does not receive state funding. If you are able to lend your financial support, please contact Wallace Bennett, Development Director, 904-775-5481.



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