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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ McMinn Sheriff, Joe Guy, will be the speaker at the Meigs County Historical Society meeting on Sunday, February 25, 2024. The event will begin at 2pm and Mr. Guy will be telling about the rich history of our area. You are invited to explore the museum's exhibits as well as paying a visit to the Veterans Courtyard. Everyone is invited, the event is free and light refreshments will follow. Address: 210 Smith Avenue, Decatur, TN 37322. Phone: 423.334.4424.
- ✓ In honor of Black History Month, E.G. Fisher Public Library will host Terrie Ruff Long on February 20 (TODAY) as she discusses skills taught by Chattanooga Connects that draw out compassion through the use of personal storytelling. The event will be held in the Varnadow Community Room at noon. A light lunch will be provided.
- ✓ Athens Lutheran Church will be having midweek Lenten Services Wednesday, February 21st & 28th and March 6th, 13th and 20th at 7 pm. The church is located at 710 Forrest Avenue. All are welcome!
- ✓ **LISTENING REMINDER:** Today's guest on Main Street Moments will be Elaine Newman. She will share about Daffodil Days in Downtown Athens. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. **TODAY** on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390.



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Tuesday, February 20, 2024 Morning Fax®...Today's News This Morning Page 3 Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **John Peter Stavre**, age 91, resident of Athens and former resident of Manchester NH, passed away on Friday, February 16. There will be no visitation or formal services at this time. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **James Thomas "J.T." Byrum**, age 91, lifelong resident of Athens, passed away on Friday, February 16. He was a member of the Living Church of God in Etowah. J.T. retired from Plastic Industries where he was the head of the maintenance department, and then later worked for Lowe's and Wal-Mart. Visitation will be from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, February 20, at Ziegler Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 7:00 PM at the funeral home. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, February 21, at McMinn Memory Gardens. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Mary Roussell Guthrie**, age 85, of Calhoun, passed away Monday, February 19, at Tennova Healthcare in Cleveland. She was a native of Bogalusa, LA. She was a founding member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Athens. She was a former Athens Mother of the Year recipient and was very active in the Calhoun community. A funeral service will be conducted at 12:00 noon, Thursday, February 22, St. Mary's Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Calhoun Cemetery. Visitation will be at Smith Funeral Home on Wednesday, February 21, from 5:00-7:00 pm. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements. See Obituaries at top right

Obituaries-Continued

♦ **Cynthia Marie Myers**, age 66, known to loved ones as Cindy, passed away on February 15, in Friendsville. She was born in Maryville, Tennessee. Cindy will be remembered for her free spirit, love for her family, and the joy she found in simple pleasures like working in her flower gardens. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her, and her memory will forever be cherished. A celebration of Cindy's life will be held at Broadway United Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, February 22, at 6:00 pm. The address for the service is 309 E Broadway, Maryville. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. QUOTES

- **The time is always right to do what is right.**
- **Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.**
- **One day we will learn that the heart can never be totally right when the head is totally wrong.**

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