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Mr. LaVern Spearman

"The people to fear are not those who disagree with you but those who disagree with you and are too cowardly to let you know." - Napoleon

HPD Officer Receives Community Award from Lodge

The first Black female sergeant in Huntsville Police Department history was the recipient of a community award by Goodway Lodge #222 F&AM.

Rosalind White received the honor during the organization's annual fundraising/Juneteenth event on Friday, June 16, to support service projects.

At HPD, White was appointed as the Public Information Officer (PIO) and served in the capacity through March 2023.

She is currently assigned to the third shift of the South Precinct, where she serves as a Patrol Sergeant.



White has served as an adjunct professor at Calhoun Community College. She became a member of the Alabama State Bar Association as a licensed Alabama attorney in April 2021.

Ja Rule, Ashanti Set for Orion

Expect a great evening at The Orion Amphitheater in Huntsville on Friday, June 30, at 7:30 p.m.

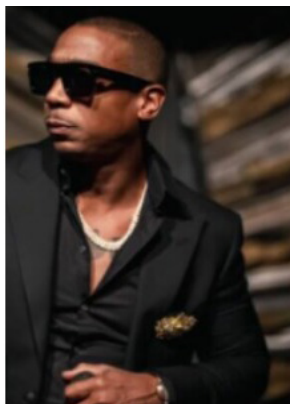
Platinum selling New York artist, two-time American Music Awards nominee and four-time Grammy nominee Ja Rule, along with fellow New



Yorker, Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter, actor and author Ashanti, will hit the stage for one unforgettable night!

Special guests will include RSVP - RAY J, Sammie, Bobby V, and Pleasure P.

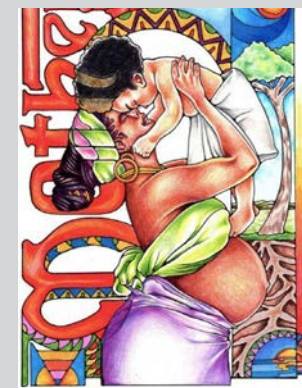
This is one event you're not going to want to miss.



New Coloring Book Honors Local Obstetrician

Talented and prolific Alabama artist John "Jahni" Moore has created another stunning masterpiece, in addition to his revered PowerShots series each week for *The Valley Weekly*.

Moore has created "Mothers," a coloring book for mothers-to-be featuring an impressive 40 illustrations. The work honors Dr. Krishna Kakani, her career as an obstetrician in Huntsville, Ala., and her passion that began when she was a young girl in India. Moore's latest project also highlights the diversity of the 40 weeks of preg-



nancy and motherhood.

A launch event was set for Wednesday, June 21, from 5:30-7 p.m. at AC Hotel Downtown. For more information, visit www.motherscoloring-book.com.

Lakeside Hosts ADC Redistricting Town Hall, Juneteenth

Huntsville's Lakeside United Methodist Church was the host site for a recent "Redistricting Matters" town hall held on Saturday, June 17, following the church's day-long, community-wide Juneteenth celebration.

Dr. Joe L. Reed, chair of the Alabama Democratic



Conference (ADC), was slated to present a proposed congressional map

for Alabama that would have "a big impact on North Alabama and the

Tennessee Valley."

The Supreme Court issued last week a 5-4 decision in the *Allen v. Milligan* redistricting challenge case, ordering Alabama to return to the drawing boards to rid itself of voter dilution efforts impacting communities of color.

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The Valley Weekly Washington One Minute

by Ron Hamm

Here are the happenings in Washington, D.C., this week:

1. **JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY.** Monday was the federal Juneteenth Holiday. All federal offices were closed and the Supreme Court and Congress were not in session.

2. **CONGRESS.** The House reconvened on Tuesday and took up, among other items, a bill to allow employers to create Health Reimbursement Arrangements (in lieu of employer-provided healthcare plans) to reimburse employees for medical expenses and plan premiums and a resolution condemning New York City Mayor Eric Adams for housing undocumented immigrants in city schools who were sent by

bus from Texas. Rep. Anna Paulina Luna (R-FL) is expected to bring up a 2nd censure resolution this week against Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA) for his allegations of collusion between Donald Trump and Russia during the 2016 election ... On Tuesday evening, the Senate started off its week with a cloture vote on the confirmation of Julie Rikelman to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit ...

3. **THE WHITE HOUSE.** President Biden hosted his first major 2024 campaign rally in Philadelphia last Saturday, receiving the endorsement of the AFL-CIO. On Monday, he traveled to California's Bay Area to give

a speech on clean energy and the environment in Palo Alto and attended two fundraisers in Atherton and Los Gatos ... According to The Washington Post, the next two weeks will see at least 20 fundraisers attended by the First and Second Families ahead of the June 30 quarter's end. On Thursday, the President hosted India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi for an official state visit that included a state dinner on Thursday night.

4. **SUPREME COURT.** The Court will continue to issue decisions from its current docket this week, as it moves to wrap up its 2022-23 term. The cases that are still pending include a case on whether the Colorado graphic design firm 303 Creative can withhold services on religious grounds from gay couples wanting to post wedding websites, a case on the affirmative action admissions policies at Harvard and the University of North Carolina, and the case on President Biden's student loan

forgiveness plan (note: 2 weeks ago President Biden vetoed a bill that would have canceled the student loan plan).

5. **FISCAL YEAR 2024 AP-PROPRIATIONS.** The Senate Appropriations Committee started off its markups of the FY 2024 appropriations bills Thursday with full committee votes on the Military Construction/VA appropriations bill and Agriculture appropriations bill (skipping subcommittee markups on both bills). The House will have full committee markups this week on 4 bills: Defense, Energy & Water, Homeland Security, and Leg Branch.

6. **DEFENSE BILL AND ABORTION POLICY.** This week, the Senate Armed Services Committee will start its consideration of the annual multi-billion-dollar Defense Authorization bill, which will include a vote on a separate bill by Sen. Joni Ernst (R-IA) to rescind the Pentagon's abortion policy, which allows service-members up to 21 days of leave

for abortions and fertility treatments and reimburses them for travel expenses. The vote on the Ernst bill is seen as an attempt to persuade Sen. Tommy Tuberville (R-AL) to end his 4-month-long hold on all civilian, flag, and general officer nominations at the Defense Department, which he instituted to protest the policy.

7. **COLLEGE COSTS.** On June 14, Senator Bill Cassidy (R-Louisiana), the ranking member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, and several of his Republican colleagues on Wednesday released a package of five bills focused on curbing college costs for students.

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ON THIS DAY

French emperor Napoleon launched his 600,000-troop, but nonetheless ill-fated, invasion of Russia in 1812.

NAAACC Meetings

The North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce (Huntsville) meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 12 noon.

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Scenes from Second Chance Deliverance and Restoration Ministries, Inc. 1st Annual Love of Music Gala

Saturday, June 10, 2023 - Ernest L. Knight Reception Center - Alabama A&M University (Photos by J. Saintjones)



Lee High School Band

The Robinsons and Bradfords

Min. Leo Robinson and Min. Harold Weatherly



Rev. Chantaye E. Knotts



Min. Leo Robinson, Christopher Gaines and Donna Robinson



Rev. Dion Jamar Watkins



Rev. Billy Orton (c) receiving 'Love of Music' award.

LOVE OF MUSIC: The Second Chance Ministries held its first annual Love of Music Gala on Saturday, June 10, at the Knight Center on the Alabama A&M University campus. Honored were (seated, l-r) Renee M. Knight, Brenda D. Davis, Nell Lane Bradford, Lettys A. Boyd, Carmelita Gandy, Monica Phipps-Stewart; (standing) Dr. Reginald Jackson, Laurent-Daniel Vergnac, Calvin Drake, Rev. William "Billy" Orton, Dr. Michael Hambrick, and the five-member Alpha Ensemble (Anthony Briggins, Charles Briggins, Tommie Lockhart, LeRoy Daniels and Dr. Denver Betts). *Not Shown:* Effie Gaines.



Allen Malone



Min. Christopher Blanding, Reginald Pearson and Min. Leo Robinson



Alpha Ensemble receives award.



Min. Leo Robinson and Georgia Valrie



Scholarship recipient Tatiana Cherry with Mins. Blanding & Robinson



Dr. Barbara Anthony



Drake Family Patriarch



Mrs. Nell Lane Bradford



The Tibbs Family



Demetrice White performs at Gala

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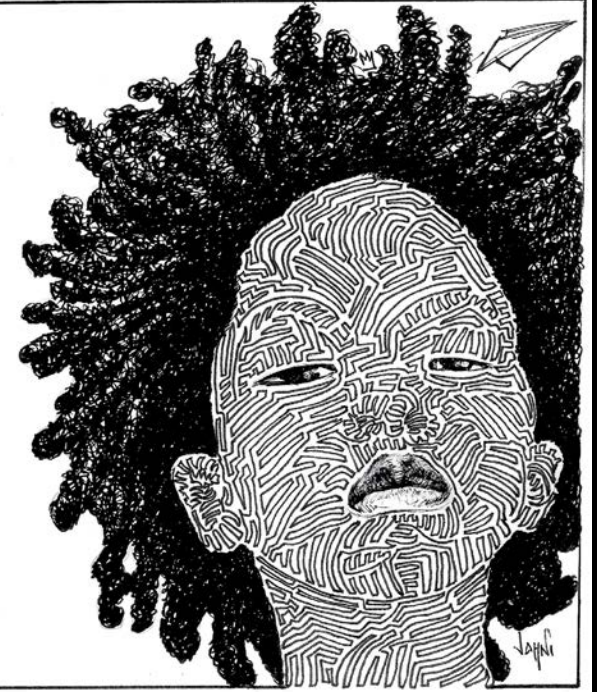
HAPPENINGS, ACTIVITIES & MORE!

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Board of Zoning Adjustment Meeting
6 p.m.</p> <p>District 3 Drop-in with Council Member Jennie Robinson
6:30-7:30 p.m.</p> <p>June 22
City Council Meeting
5:30 p.m.</p> <p>June 22-24
Comedian Erik Griffin Stand Up Live
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Jazz in the Garden</p> | <p>J.F. Drake State Community and Technical College
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(256) 203-6782</p> <p>Summer Block Party with Huntsville Animal Services
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(256) 274-1517</p> <p>100th Church Anniversary
"An Evening of Spiritual Music"
St. James Primitive Baptist Church
3 p.m.</p> <p>PETRA 50th Anniversary Reunion 2023 Southeast Summer Tour
Dream Theatre Performing Arts Center
The Rock Family
petrareunion.com</p> <p>June 25
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Rocket City Tavern
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- Zora Neale Hurston

Oh, Ye of Little Faith ...

Over and over, we have heard the story of David and Goliath. It is one of the first Bible stories taught to kids. It speaks of faith! It is also the first thing we tend to forget and not exercise. Why is that?

Faith is our biggest tool! It is the one thing that can mature us in our actions. Calm our spirits—stable our mentality.

We choose to forget about it. We take our lives into our own hands, as if we can foresee or change a circumstance through worry and doubt. Well, how has that worked out for us? (insert rolled eyes)

How has your lack of faith helped you with your stress and anxiety? How has it allowed you to sleep or eat properly? Those with little to no faith experience unnecessary turmoil and self-induced prisons of hardship. Mental blocks and fatigue, or bad attitudes and agony. Sad.

David had unshakable faith. He was not concerned with Goliath's size or the how. He trusted

Milennial Moment

by Gloria B. Caldwell



God! Guess what? You have access to that same God!

Oh, Ye of little faith.

Let Go! Trust Him! Free yourself. It is your decision!

God loves you, and so do I.

He has given you a gift; open it!

Mark 9:23:

“Jesus said to him, ‘If you can believe? All things are possible for one who believes.’”

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**“Faith is taking
the first step
even when you
don’t see the
whole staircase.”**

- Martin Luther King

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Congrats, NBA's Denver Nuggets: the new international standard of leading from the middle!

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, . . .” Matthew 28:19.

On Monday night June 12, the Denver Nuggets defeated the Miami Heat 94-89, to win its first NBA championship.

More importantly, however, they showcased not only its leading from the middle but also the league's growing international flavor.



Denver's "Leading from the Middle" Nuggets

In 2014, Nikola Jokic was not a top draft choice, but the 41st draftee in the NBA's second round of prospects. He chose instead to remain in his native Serbia, further polishing his skills.

Joining the NBA in 2015, he rose from relative obscurity to third place in the 2016 NBA Rookie of the Year balloting and All-Rookie First Team honors.

He's now a five-time NBA All-Star, 2021 and 2012 league Most Valuable Player, and now the 2023 Finals MVP.

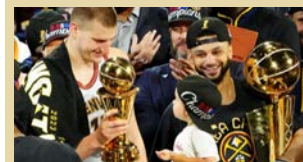
After suffering a torn ACL in 2022, Nuggets co-star Jamal Murray returned in 2023 to team with Jokic in leading the Nuggets to its first championship in its 47-year history. As a rookie in 2017, he led the NBA in games played, all 82 games, and made its All-Rookie Team.

Just like the Serbian Jokic, the Canadian-born Murray represents the league's expanding international outreach and flavor.

According to *How does the NBA impact society and the sports industry?*, the NBA is viewed by many as:

- One of the most internationally outreached major sports leagues, as 108 of its current 450 players (24%) are internationals.
- Seven foreign-born NBA players have received 11 Most Valuable Player (MVP) awards: Hakeem Olajuwon (Nigeria), Tim Duncan (U.S. Virgin Islands), Steve Nash (Canada), Dirk Nowitzki (Germany), Giannis Antetokounmpo (Greece), Nikola Jokić (Serbia), and Joel Embiid (Cameroun).
- More specifically, the last five MVPs - Antetokounmpo (2019, 2020), Jokic (2021, 2022), and Embiid (2023) - are internationally born-players.
- Having the youngest audience demographic of any sport; and
- A total of 250 members of NBA teams, coaches, and players from 30 different NBA teams serve as camp coaches for over 1200 youngsters from over 100 countries worldwide.

This NBA/Nuggets experience should become our lesson on expanding beyond our local comforts and embracing and succeeding within the global community like that of the NBA.



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HMCPL's Summer Reading Program Runs Thru July 20

The Huntsville-Madison County Public Library (HMCPL) has announced its 2023 Summer Reading Program, "All Together Now," which will be held at all ten Library locations thru July 20. This year's theme, "All Together Now," celebrates kindness, friendship, and unity. So, join in for a summer reading adventure!

Check the quick reference guide for weekly storytime programs, but make sure to visit events calendar for the latest information, including special Saturdays at some locations.

Don't miss our Summer Reading Kickoff events, where every child and teen who attends will receive a

Bingo Card and other fun items!

How does the Summer Reading Program work? Persons can pick up a Bingo Card at any location. This year the reading tracker for children and teens will be a Bingo Card. Complete as many of the Bingo activities as possible and when finished, return card to any Library branch by Thursday, July 20 to be entered into the final drawing to win cool prizes! Some branches may also have small incentive prizes to give out all summer long. When turning in Bingo Cards, please make sure that contact information is complete and legible.

Get your Bingo Cards

- download June and July editions and print them or pick one up at a local branch!

Summer Reading Resources

Get e-books and audiobooks on Hoopla and Overdrive!

Need to know what is required reading for the summer?

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Want to learn the benefits of summer reading?

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Sunday, June 25, 2023

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First Lesson:

Jeremiah 20:7-13

Psalms 6:8-11, 12-17, 18-20

Second Lesson:

Romans 6:1b-11

GOSPEL:

Matthew 10:24-39

JUNE 23 - WILMA RUDOLPH was an African-American sprinter who became a world-record-holding Olympic champion and international sports icon in track and field following her successes in the 1956 and 1960 Olympic Games. Rudolph competed in the 200-meter dash and won a bronze medal in the 4 x 100-meter relay at the 1956 Summer Olympics at Melbourne, Australia. She also won three gold medals, in the 100- and 200-meter individual events and the 4 x 100-meter relay at the 1960 Summer Olympics in Rome, Italy.



- BlackCelebrityBirthdays.com



Rosetta James Foundation "Spotlight on Our Elders" ... Featuring

Mr. LaVern Spearman

Minister LaVern Spearman has served the scouting community in various capacities for more than 30 years. For three decades, he has served as Scoutmaster (SM) of Troop 102, sponsored by First Missionary Baptist Church, Blue Springs Road, Huntsville, Ala.

Over 75 Scouts have earned Boy Scouts of America's highest achievement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, under his tenure. Over the years and along with other scout leaders, SM Spearman has seen over 6,000 scouts across Madison County and the surrounding Huntsville area become physically strong, morally straight and mentally awake.

He has served in various roles in the church as Deacon, Minister of Church School Education, and as teacher of various Church school classes. He is the president and founder of Body of Christ Ministries, which is a ministry designed to encourage men and women to take their rightful and God-given places in the church, family and workplace.

This ministry orchestrates trips to various Christian retreats, conferences and spiritual outreaches. He teaches an inner-city Monday Night Bible Study to men and women across social, racial

and denominational lines. He works with the Neaves-Davis Youth Detention Center to deter all youth from becoming a statistic in the criminal justice system and to show them that "you cannot walk with God and run with the Devil."

Before his retirement in 2012, he taught and shared in a weekly mid-day lunch Bible class with men and women at Redstone Arsenal for over 15 years. In addition, he works extensively with the Kairos Prison Ministry International in strengthening the spiritual lives of prisoners in Limestone and other surrounding counties.

Spearman also serves with the Alabama Walk to Emmaus Community to inspire, challenge, and equip leaders for Christian action in their homes, places of work, and in their local churches and communities and has served as Lay Director of the Huntsville Emmaus Cluster.

Minister Spearman is a Board member of Marketplace Leadership Luncheon ministry with a primary mission of empowering the business community to recognize and fulfill their calling in the workplace, building God's Kingdom, impacting lives, and transforming communities



through biblical principles in understanding the divine purpose for their lives.

Mr. Spearman was employed with the United States Army Aviation and Missile Command at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., as a senior physicist in the US Army Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity, Engineering Division. He is an honor graduate of Alabama A&M University in the physics field and has studied theology with the Liberty Bible Institute of Lynchburg, Va.

He and his wife, Lola, are members of Calvary Assembly in Tanner, Alabama, and have two adult children, son Xavier, and daughter Pastor Shannel Spearman-Burrows, who pastors West Pembroke Assembly Church in Hamilton, Bermuda, and four grandsons ages 12, 11, 11 and 7, as well as one 8-year-old granddaughter.

2023 Delta Theta Lambda Education Foundation Scholars



2023 DTL Education Foundation Scholarship Recipients at the Annual Meeting and Scholarship Reception honoring the late Wilbert L. Brown on Thursday, June 16, at Toyota Field. (Photo by Anthony Gibson)

Huntsville's Delta Theta Lambda Education Foundation recently awarded \$25,000 in scholarships to local students. The philanthropic arm of the Delta Theta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated recognized 30 scholars during its 2023 Awards Presentation.

Awards to students from various area schools were the result of the funds raised during the foundation's annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Unity Celebration. For 2023, the Education Foundation received financial support from ADTRAN, AT&T Alabama, Boeing, Google Fiber, Huntsville Hospital, Lexus of Huntsville, Redstone Federal Credit Union, Regions Bank, Alabama State Representatives Laura Hall & Anthony Daniels and Woody Anderson Ford. The Corporate donors for 2023 were Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Alabama, Huntsville Utilities, Mazda Toyota Manufacturing, and the Tennessee Valley Authority. The Dr. R. Parker Griffith Family Foundation of Huntsville was the presenting corporate partner.

Mr. Christian Tate, 2023 scholarship recipient and graduate of Huntsville's Westminster Christian Academy, stated, "As a student preparing to go to college this fall, receiving this scholarship from the Huntsville Alphas will help me further my educational journey."

The Delta Theta Lambda Education Foundation is chaired by Gary T. Whitley, Jr., member of Huntsville's prestigious Delta Theta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated.



Foundation Board Chairman Gary T. Whitley, Jr. (left), Ms. Gina Jones, 2023 Harold Dickerson Scholarship Recipient Mr. Christopher Craft, Mrs. Jocelyn Jones-Boustani, and Mr. Henry Dickerson.

Photo by Anthony Gibson




Foundation Treasurer Tim Richmond (left), 2023 Scholarship Recipient Mr. Christian Tate (center), Foundation Board Chairman Gary T. Whitley, Jr. (right)

Photo by Anthony Gibson

"Spotlight on Our Elders" is a weekly feature sponsored by the Rosetta James Foundation to promote volunteerism and activism in our community among those who are 70-plus. The Foundation also provides scholarships. Learn more about us at www.rosettajamesfoundation.org. Know an outstanding elder (70+) that you would like to see featured? Send us a photo and 250-word write-up to info@valley-weeklyllc.com.





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Emancipation Day A Circle of Remembrance



Ollye B. Conley
Researcher

The Circle of Remembrance

The Emancipation Proclamation was issued January 1, 1863. However, all enslaved people were not freed until the 13th amendment was issued on June 19, 1965. Many African Americans continued to celebrate Emancipation Day on January 1st. One such celebration was held January 1, 1895, at the State Normal School (Alabama A&M University). Professor Samuel Bowles Johnson Carter was the speaker. Following is a portion of the Emancipation Day address given by Samuel J. B. Carter. He stated:

"Go with me in thought while I retrospect and picture a scene in the dark days of slavery. See, our poor fathers and mothers down on their knees on the dew damp ground at the hour of midnight, with wearied limbs and heavy hearts—with streaming eyes and grief distorted faces turned toward Heaven, cry, 'LORD, OH LORD, HOW LONG?'—Pouring out their souls unto God in prayer for freedom from the clanking chains, and the iron heel of an institution that was crushing out alike their manhood and their lives -- and for deliverance from the hydra-headed monster, human slavery. Thank God, their prayers were heard—Yes, alas! And answered in the fearful retribution of war and devastation.

The great God of freedom announced the freedom of the slave on a thousand battle fields. He proclaimed it by the roar of musketry and thunder of artillery—by the shrieks of the wounded and the groans of the dying. Yes, He wrote it out in the long red lines of battle, while the trembling earth stood aghast at the reading. Messengers were sent from the fields of battle to the homes of people, here without an arm, there

without a leg, while aged men and weeping women cried out the anguish of their souls—their the nation live and the bond go free. The struggle continues, and gloom and consternation are depicted in the face of the Union, and for more than three years the life of the Union seemed to be in great peril, and the angel of death hovered over the nation. But, be it said to the everlasting credit of the Negro, that, the rebellion was not crushed nor the slave made free, until 180,000 brave manly Afro Americans volunteered their service and went out on the field of battle for the Nation, and fall, if need be, (as many did) a willing sacrifice on the blood stained altars of their country in common cause to save the bleeding nation. Did they flee or falter in time of danger? No, never! See how bravely they fought and died at Fort Pillow and Waggoner, New Market Heights and other places of gloom and death.

Their bravery and determination struck the death blow to slavery and won for the race a title to citizenship and recognition. Suffice it to say that slavery is dead, buried and epitaph is "No Resurrection." The rebellion died with slavery. But alas! It's ghost like Bangnio's, won't down—but stalks about the country haunting and harassing our people in the form of the klu klux klan; regulators, whitecaps and mobs. Regardless of persecutions and proscriptions the Negro has undergone and impediments thrown across his path in every avenue of life, he is steadily marching onward and upward, intellectually, morally and financially, to higher plain of civilization. And he only asks that other people stand out of his sunshine and give him an equal showing in the race of life. Man or monkey—according to chances, he has few

equals and no superiors in this or any other country.

Just 22 years ago, on the 1st day on January 1863, the immortal Lincoln, then President of the United States of America, issued and signed that memorable document, the EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION that legalized the freedom of the slave population of this country, and the amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and several states as well, clothed him with all rights and immunities of citizenship—though he fails to get them. Since then he has occupied many important places of honor and trust. He has made his mark on the bench and at the bar; he has faithfully and honorably represented this country as minister in foreign courts; he has had the distinguished honor to be a member of the National Legislature and deliberate on the grave questions of the day in the highest council of the Nation as Senator and Congressman.

Yes, he has marshalled the District of Columbia, and written his name on the currency of this country. He founded high schools and colleges, and managed them with signal skill and ability. He has accumulated wealth in every part of the country, and pays taxes on millions of dollars worth of property. The educated minister, lawyer, doctor and mechanic stands the easy equal of his Ango-Saxton brother.

In the more common walks and avocations of life, where nerve and muscles are required, he measures up to the full standard of a man.

Then courage, my brother, do no stumble,

Should your path seem dark at night,

There's a star to guide the humble-

Trust in God and do the right.

Let us do our whole duty now and here.

Hope for everything, nothing fear;

Then shout, shout, let everybody shout,

*Join the general jubilee,
For Abraham Lincoln has spoken,*

*And slavery's yoke is broken,
Our country and our people now are free.*

About Samuel Johnson Bowles Carter (S.J.B. Carter)

Professor Samuel J. B. Carter was born in 1843 in the state of Tennessee. He and his wife Malinda, had five children; Allen A., Mattie A. Ida, Samella and Fred D. Carter. He was a teacher, associate editor of the Huntsville Gazette and the Weekly Journal, assistant principal of the State Normal School in 1875, member of the board of trustees of Central Alabama Academy, member of Lakeside Methodist Episcopal Church and acting real estate agent for Boyd & Wellman. He served on many boards and represented the Republican Party at state and national conventions. Samuel was also a poet and outstanding orator. His speech delivered at the State Normal School in 1895 entitled "The Causes that Lead to, and the Results of the Emancipation Proclamation" was published in The Journal newspaper in 1895. Many of his poems are published in The Huntsville Gazette. In 1896, Samuel was a candidate for commissioner of the 3rd district which included the black belt. In 1899, he was in the hack business with an excellent team of horses. In 1903, he served on the grand jury at the United States Court. Professor Samuel J. B. Carter died February 21, 1912. He is buried at Glenwood Cemetery.

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NELMS MEMORIAL FUNERAL HOME

2501 Carmichael Avenue NW
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Funeral service for MRS. CYNTHIA KELLY (b. 1952) was held Saturday, June 17, at New Life Praise and Worship Center with Bishop G. Calvin Boone officiating.



Funeral service for MRS. CHARLIE JEFFERSON LAMB (b. 1957) was Saturday, June 10, at Concord Baptist Church (Salem, Ala.) with Pastor Marshall Morgan officiating.

Funeral service for MRS. JUANITA DEVANCE (b. 1956) was held Friday, June 9, at the Saint Luke Christian Church with Pastor T.C. Johnson, officiating.

ROYAL FUNERAL HOME

4315 Oakwood Avenue NW
Huntsville, AL 35810 - (256) 534-8481

Funeral service for MRS. GAE ANNE WILLIAMS (b. 1943) will be 12 noon, Saturday, June 24, at the Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church (315 Winchester Road NE, Huntsville, Ala.) with Dr. O. Wendell Davis officiating.



Funeral service for MRS. LOIS ANN STONE-SANDERS was held Saturday, June 17, at the St. Mark Baptist Church (6475 Moores Mill Road, Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Jeremiah Chester officiating.

Graveside service for BABY BOY ZAILEN LAWONN WILLIAMS (b. 2022) was held Friday, June 16, at the Meadowlawn Garden of Peace (450 Mount Lebanon Road, Toney, Ala.) with Pastor Danny Baker officiating.

Funeral service for MR. WILLIE EDWARD MUSE was Friday, June 16, at the New Beginnings Christian Church (604 Jordan Lane NW, Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Errol Davis officiating.

Funeral service for MR. ROBERT LOUIS JACKSON (b. 1948) was held Wednesday, June 14, at the Royal Chapel of Memories (4315 Oakwood Avenue, Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Danny Jefferson officiating.

SERENITY FUNERAL HOME

2505 University Drive NW
Huntsville, AL 35816 (256) 539-9693



Funeral service for MS. SHELIA FARRIS (b. 1969) was Saturday, June 17, at Meridianville Primitive Baptist Church (1173 Mt. Lebanon Road, Toney, Ala.).

Scenes from Lakeside United Methodist Church's Annual Juneteenth "Freedom Day" Celebration

Saturday, June 17, 2023 - Photos by J. Saintjones

