

AREA OBITUARIES

Larry Godwin

Buell Eugene Godwin, 84, of Troy, Mich., died Wednesday, May 12, 2010.

He was born June 11, 1925 in Detroit, Mich., to Elmer and Francis (Dietze) Godwin before moving to Quilin at age four.

He grew up in Missouri and was drafted in the United States Army and served in World War II.

Buell was employed by Montgomery Ward in Missouri and transferred to Michigan with them in 1965. He later became an agent for the Farmers Insurance Group and retired in 1985.

He married Imogene (Husketh) in January 1947. She survives.

Also surviving are one son and his wife, Larry (Elsie) Godwin; two grandchildren, Hannah (Jason) Rhodes and Mary (Dan) Mooradian; four great-grandchildren, Andrew and Nicklas Rhodes, Matthew and Gwendolyn Mooradian; two sisters, Lorraine Colter of Poplar Bluff and Lois Crawford of Ojai, Calif.; one brother, Roderic Godwin of Ojai, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother; and one great-grandchild Annika Rhodes.

The funeral will be at the Fitch-Hillis Funeral Home, Poplar Bluff, Mo. and burial in the Quilin Cemetery.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to: Hearts of Hope SE Michigan, 2591 Noble, Chesterfield, MI 48051

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Clair Bullard

MALDEN — Clair W. Bullard, 74, of Malden died Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. Bullard was born May 27, 1935, at Hartford, Mich.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served between June 7, 1955 and March 21, 1957. He was an electrician at Noranda.

On April 2, 1960, he was married to Mary Carlene Bullard at New Madrid. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Terry Minderman of Malden and Chris Minderman of Warrenton; one daughter, Regina Bullard of Bernie, four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two brothers, Kirk Roraback of Alabama and Louis Fischer of Michigan; and a sister-in-law, Carla Phillips of Portageville.

Visitation will begin at 6 p.m. Friday in Landess Chapel followed by the 7 p.m. memorial service in the chapel with the Rev. Martin Goode officiating. Burial will be in Missouri Veterans Cemetery at Bloomfield.

Joanne Crider memorial service

A memorial service for Joanne Crider of Poplar Bluff will be held from 1 p.m. Saturday, May 22, 2010, at Grace Christian Fellowship Church, 3200 Warrior Lane, with Pastor Brian Sharp officiating.

Donations to the family to help with expenses will be accepted. For more information contact Tina at 417-559-2281 or James at 417-559-3788.

John Harder

DONIPHAN — John Harder of Doniphan died Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at Ripley County Memorial Hospital in Doniphan.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Edwards Funeral Home in Doniphan.

Sam Scism

BLOOMFIELD — Samuel K. "Sam" Scism, 96, of Farmington died Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at his residence.

Mr. Scism was born Feb. 2, 1914, near Leora in western Stoddard County.

Mr. Scism was a 32nd Degree Mason and the oldest surviving member of the Elvins Masonic Lodge. He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of the Farmington ELKS, Farmington VFW and the Moolah Temple Lodge of St. Louis.

Mr. Scism tells the story of plowing a field on his father's farm, walking behind a mule wrestling a single row plow. He decided to better himself and got a teaching certificate and, like his father, became a schoolteacher for a while. But driving a new car — selling a new car — can be a powerful idea.

In 1937, he with two cousins in partnership, they opened Bloomfield Auto Sales. Now Bloomfield, in Stoddard County is a farming area. It was natural that Bloomfield Tractor Sales soon followed, and with it came the need to have a place to keep the trade-ins including horses, mules, cattle and ponies.

Tragedy has a way of intervening in life. One of his cousins was killed in an auto accident, and the business in Bloomfield was dissolved. But The Ford Motor Company wanted Sam to remain a dealer and Sam soon found himself buying a new dealership in a totally new area.

In 1954, Sam Scism Motors was born on 1215 Lewis St., in Flat River. He started from scratch again, working hard to remember the convertible driving down the road instead of the rear end of that mule. With a growing family to support, the business was his life. Some said he would never last 60 days. Some of his first sales came from customers who drove 100 miles from Bloomfield.

He had to advertise, so he created a radio commercial many still remember. With a tom-tom drumbeat in the background, 6-year old Charles Samuel belted out "Sam Scism Motors wants to trade." In one newspaper

FIRE

City firefighters responded at 3:20 p.m. Saturday to a carbon dioxide leak in the basement of the Perkins Restaurant, 2121 N. Westwood Blvd. It was investigation only.

According to the report, the tank was empty upon arrival and was dispersing.

FIRE

County firefighters responded at 9:55 a.m. Monday to a vehicle fire on Highway 60, west of Highway 67.

According to the report, a 1999 Dodge Intrepid, owned by Gary Wells, sustained damage to the engine and interior.

City firefighters responded at 12:04 p.m. Monday to standby on the scene of a motor-vehicle crash at the intersection of Pine and Main streets.

County firefighters responded at 1:15 a.m. Monday to fire on Highway 160 West.

According to the report, the fire involved Christmas ornaments near a bridge.

City firefighters responded at 2:32 p.m. Monday to a motor-vehicle crash at the intersection of North Westwood Boulevard and Northwood Drive.

According to the report, firefighters cleaned off the roadway.

ad Sam said he would trade for any old dog. So to test the ad, a fellow brought one in, and Sam took as down payment a registered Dalmation named "Eber."

In 1969, the old building on Lewis Street was just too small, so he built a new facility on Highway 67, just south of Leadington. Tragically, just weeks before the grand opening, his wife Ruth died, but he went on. Charles Samuel was just 18, his brother William Kent was 13 and they became part of the business nearly overnight.

In 1976, Sam remarried Vera. As time went on, Charles and Kent were doing more and Sam began to do a little less. But generally he could still tell you what a customer traded in on a new car, what color it was and probably the price.

When Flat River Junior College set out to become Mineral Area College, Sam was there too, as a major supporter and benefactor. He is a member of the Farmington ELKS Lodge; the Moolah Shrine of St. Louis. Sam is Past-President of the Missouri Automobile Dealers Association and has severed on numerous community Boards of Directors.

Survivors include: his wife, Alvera 'Fischer' Scism; three sons, Charlie Scism, Kent Scism and Gary Robinson, all of Farmington; and five grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Sam Scism Motors and a second visitation 4 to 9 p.m. Friday at Taylor Funeral Service in Farmington.

Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday at Park Hills First Baptist Church Funeral Service followed by the 10 a.m. funeral service.

Visitation and services will resume Saturday afternoon in Bloomfield.

Visitation will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday with the funeral service at 3 p.m. at Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield. Burial will follow at Bloomfield Cemetery.

Memorials should be made to Park Hills First Baptist Church.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com

LOTTERIES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Lotto: 07-13-17-21-36-41
Next jackpot \$1.8 million
Midday 3: 0-6-7
Midday 4: 6-6-5-1
Pick 3: 1-7-8
Pick 4: 2-6-1-9
Show Me Ca\$h: 02-03-11-20-23
Next jackpot \$110,000

Powerball: 37-51-52-53-58
Powerball: 38
Power Play: 2
Next jackpot \$120 million.

Tickets matching the first 5 numbers, but not the Powerball, worth \$200,000, were sold in: Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Dakota, Pennsylvania and Texas.

There was one Power Play Match 5 winner in Oregon.

BIRTHS

Perry Dewayne Webb, Jr.

Perry Webb and Mary Ethridge Webb of Poplar Bluff have chosen the name Perry Dewayne Webb Jr. for their 6-pound, 13-ounce son born at 1:49 p.m., April 17, 2010. He was born at the Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are John and Jan Ethridge, Jewel Jones, and Perry and June Richie, all of Poplar Bluff.



SPELLING BEE WINNERS



Photo provided

Winners of the Butler County Community Resource Council's "Thumbs Up" Spelling Bee for Poplar Bluff third graders receive their awards. Pictured are: (back row) moderator Kathern Harris and Steve Fuchs, owner of Fox Radio Network; and (front row) Lake Road Elementary winner Beyonka Williams, third grade spelling bee Grand Champion Jackson Winters of O'Neal Elementary and Oak Grove Elementary winner Peyton Moore. Each winner received a trophy and the Grand Champions each received a \$50 savings bond from the Rotary Club.

Winners of the Butler County Community Resource Council's "Thumbs Up" Spelling Bee for Poplar Bluff second graders receive their awards. Pictured are: (back row) moderator Kathern Harris and Steve Fuchs, Owner of Fox Radio Network; and (front row) Oak Grove Elementary winner Paige Bradley, second grade spelling bee Grand Champion Ross Dare of O'Neal Elementary and Lake Road Elementary winner Hayden Lewis. Each winner received a trophy and the Grand Champions each received a \$50 savings bond from the Rotary Club.



BUTLER SHERIFF

Timothy R. Fletcher of the 200 block of Forest Meadow Drive reported unknown person(s) attempted to forcibly entered his residence between 10:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday.

Mary Peters of the 3500 block of Highway reported unknown person(s) forcibly entered her residence between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. April 30 and stole numerous items, including jewelry, a camcorder and accessories, checks, Nintendo Gameboy, medications, old coins, knives, a weed trimmer, DVD player, money.

James W. Kelm of Quilin reported two shop buildings at his residence in the 500 block of Fifth Street were forcibly entered between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. April 29.

According to the report, a riding lawn mower, weed trimmer, gasoline can, air ratchet wrench, air hammer with chisels, impact wrench and window air conditioner unit stolen.

Mary Mannon reported a window air conditioning unit, weed trimmer and extension cord were stolen from her brother's Quilin residence in the 600 block of Fifth Street between 8 p.m. April 27 and 10 a.m. April 28. It didn't appear anything was missing from the residence.

Hailey Ruth Brookerson, 29, of the 2200 block of Barron Road was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on a capias warrant for probation violation on an original driving while intoxicated charge and a failure to appear warrant for

Lambert at Coliseum on May 22

A story in Wednesday's paper about country music star Miranda Lambert's engagement contained some incorrect information about an upcoming concert in Poplar Bluff.

Lambert will be in concert at the Black River Coliseum at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 22.

The article reported the concert was this Saturday, which was incorrect.

shoplifting. She later was released.

Brian Keith Cobb, 31, of Dudley was booked into the Butler County jail Monday to serve three days of shock detention.

Jason Eric Crawley, 32, of the 3900 block of Highway 67 was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on suspicion of peace disturbance.

Tristan Wesley Dawson, 18, of the 1000 block of Cole was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on suspicion of receiving stolen property and a failure to appear warrant for no insurance. He later was released.

Robert Wesley Foster, 35, of the 700 block of North 10th Street was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on a warrant

for distribution/delivery/manufacture of a controlled substance. He was released on bond.

Charles Delon Galbraith, 21, of Blytheville, Ark., was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on a warrant for first-degree tampering with a motor vehicle.

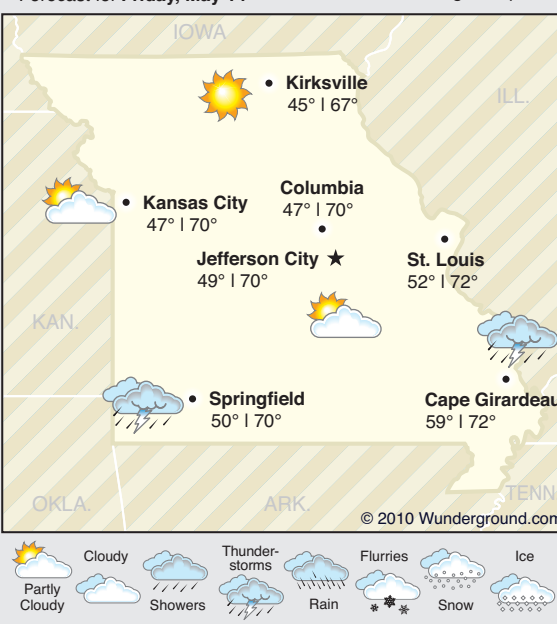
Cory David Jarrett, 21, of Jackson was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on a writ of habeas corpus.

Brandy Nicole Nelson, 22, of the 1400 block of County Road 608 was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on suspicion of possession of fewer than 35 grams of marijuana.

William Christopher Taylor, 34, of the 400 block of Harper was booked at the Butler County jail Monday on a writ of habeas corpus.

Tonight/Friday

Forecast for Friday, May 14



EXTENDED FORECAST

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. W winds 5-10 mph, shifting N after midnight. **Friday:** Mostly cloudy with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s. NE winds 5-10 mph. Lows in the mid 50s. **Saturday:** Mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, continuing into the night. Highs in the mid 70s. NE winds 5-10 mph. Lows in the upper 50s.

LOCAL WEATHER

Downtown High/Low
Wednesday: 82/71
High/Low Year Ago Today: 82/63
Downtown Rain: 0.00
Clearwater Rain: 0.00
Clearwater Lake (normal 498)
Elevation: 498.45 S
Clearwater Dam Discharge: 470
Black River at Poplar Bluff: 2.26 F
Clearwater High/Low: 81/68
Wappapello Elevation: 360.66
Wappapello Discharge: 1,590
Wappapello Tailwater: 326.77
Sunrise: 5:54 Sunset: 8:01

Deadline Notice

All birth announcements must be submitted no later than one month after the child's birth.