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## Gladys Marie Powell Robinson

Gladys Marie Powell Robinson was born January 3, 1919 in Jackson County and departed this life Sunday, July 8, 2018 at the St. Joseph Hospital in Berea, being 99 years of age. She was the daughter of the late Elmer & Dorcas (Wilds) Click.

Gladys is survived by nine children, Estill Powell of Kirby Knob, Paul Powell (Lorraine) Sand Gap, Beatrice Abner (Cledious) of Berea, Betty Berry (Kenny) of Berea, Reva Hisel of

Hisel, Opal Adams (Danny) of McKee, Sue Van Winkle (Alvin) of Paint Lick, Lois Chapman of Richmond and Wanda Shepherd (Ronnie) of Gray Hawk and daughter in law, Shirley Powell of Kirby Knob. She is also survived by her step children, Otis Robinson, Ernest Robinson (Jean), Robert Robinson and Ronald Robinson. Gladys was blessed with 15 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren and 7 great great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Gladys was also preceded in death by her first husband (the father of her children) Laffie Powell; her second husband (father of her step children) Lester Robinson; grandson, Justin Andrew Gabbard; son in law, Mason Hisel; granddaughter in law Debbie Powell; and by her siblings, Burnace Abrams, Marcella Cline, Frances Stewart, Boyd Click, Cloyd Click and Edwin Click.

Gladys gave her life to Christ at an early age in life, she loved attending Broadway Holiness Church while able.

Funeral service 3:00 PM Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at Lakes Funeral Home with Bro. Paul Alexander and Bro. Paul Pearson officiating. Burial to follow in the Kirby Knob Cemetery. Pallbearers Grandsons: Mike Abner, Stacey Abner, Jeff Powell, Scott Hisel, Mark Hisel, Byron Hisel, Bradley Shepherd, Derrick Shepherd, Jonathan Van Winkle, Jomicah Berry, Great grandsons: Cody Jones, Ryan Hisel, Joseph Kelley, Alex Workman & Joseph Workman.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Delbert L. Skinner

Delbert L. Skinner better known as Doodle Bug was born May 4, 1963 in Madison County and departed this life Saturday, July 7, 2018 at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond, being 55 years of age. He was the son of the late Delbert Cain and Lola Collins Hammonds.

Doodle Bug is survived by four children, Mitchell Clark & Ashley of McKee, Heather Clark & James Turbyfill of Tyner, Melinda Clark of McKee and Laura Clark of Tyner.

He was blessed with Landyn Turbyfill, Mikayla Hammonds, Trenton Hammonds, Raylin Clark and Avie Clark. He is also survived by a host of brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews.

Funeral service 11:00 AM Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at Lakes Funeral Home with Bro. Keith Carr officiating. Burial to follow in the Harrison Cemetery. Pallbearers were Dale Skinner, David Isaacs, Dallas Cox, Anthony Skinner, Jared Ward and Paul Alexander. Honorary pallbearer was Steve Abner.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Charles Wayne Wiles

Charles Wayne Wiles was born January 14, 1941 in Jackson County and departed this life Saturday, July 7, 2018 at the Irvine Nursing & Rehab, being 77 years of age. He was the son of the late Jake & Allie (Williams) Wiles.

Wayne is survived by his daughter, Shayne Wiles Hamilton and her husband Mike of Richmond and by a daughter in law Kimberly Norris of Berea. He is also survived by the following siblings, Eugene Wiles of Richmond, Kay Vickers of McKee, Glen Wiles, Joe Wiles, Don Wiles, Janice Lakes and Elsie Kerby all of Berea. Wayne was blessed with three grandchildren, Chancellor Norris, Griffin Norris and Kyle Hamilton.

In addition to his parents, Wayne was also preceded in death by his wife, Jo Anne McQueen Wiles; son, Kenneth Norris and by a brother, Dale Wiles.

Wayne attended the Church of God on Lancaster Rd.

Funeral service 1:00 PM Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at the Lakes Funeral Home in McKee with Bro. Mike McQueen officiating. Burial to follow in the McDowell Cemetery. Military services were conducted by the following members of the local D.A.V. Jack Welch Chapter #165, Danny Robinson, Jim Bryant, Leon Bales, James G. Byrd, Dallas Isaacs, Bobby Lakes and Lewis Sparks, Jr. Pallbearers Don Wiles, Keith Vickers, Jerry McQueen, Chancellor Norris, Kyle Hamilton and Al Tillery. Honorary pallbearers Glen, Joe & Eugene Wiles.

Lakes Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



# CPE Urges College Freshmen to Take 15 Credits a Semester, 30 a Year for On-Time Graduation

The Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) has a message for freshmen heading to college this fall: Take 15 credit hours your first semester and be nearly twice as likely to graduate on time.

That's one of the key findings of a new CPE policy brief, "Momentum and Student Success in Kentucky: The Power of 15 Credits." The report examines the impact of first-semester and first-year enrollment intensity on graduation rates, and offers best practices and policy recommendations.

On-time graduation is two years for an associate degree and four years for a bachelor's.

The likelihood of timely graduation continues to improve for students earning 30 credit hours their first year. This holds true for students attending the colleges of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) and the public four-year universities.

The report showed that full-time students pursuing associate degrees at KCTCS graduate at approximately three times the rate if they complete 30 credit hours their first year, compared to students who complete less than 30 hours.

For bachelor's degree-seeking students at the state universities, the four-year graduation rate jumps from the overall rate of 28.9 percent to 60 percent for students who earned 30 credit hours their freshman year.

"The report's findings are crystal clear. The prevailing notion that students might need to ease into college and take only 12-14 credit hours their first semester is clearly not the best approach for the vast majority of first-time, full-time students," said Aaron Thompson, CPE executive vice president and chief academic officer.

"Academic momentum in the freshman year is a great predictor of student success at both the associate and bachelor's degree levels," he added.

Timely graduation provides other perks to students and their families, such as saving tuition costs of an extra year or two of college and the potential to graduate with less student debt.

In terms of closing achievement gaps, the report showed very positive impacts on graduation rates for underrepresented minorities, low-income and underprepared students at both the associate and bachelor's degree levels.

Closing achievement gaps: Three-year graduation rates for associate degrees

Underrepresented minority students' graduation rate was 77.3 percent for those completing 30 credit hours their first year, compared to 16.5 percent for those with less than 30.

Low-income students' graduation rate was 76.3 percent if they completed 30 hours their first year, compared to 23 percent for those with less than 30.

Underprepared students' graduation rate was 67.8 percent if they earned 30 hours their freshman year, compared to 19.9 percent for those who did not.

Closing achievement gaps: Six-year graduation rates for bachelor's degrees

Underrepresented minority students taking 30 credit hours their freshman year at the public universities was 79.6 percent, up from 30 percent who completed less than 30.

For low-income students, the graduation rate was 76.7 percent for those who took 30 credit hours their first year, compared to 27.9 percent for those who completed less than 30.

Underprepared students also fared well with a 74.2 percent graduation rate if they completed 30 credits their first year, compared to 29 percent for those who took less than 30.

Encouraging timely college completion is one of CPE's "game changers" to help raise the state's educational attainment of the working-age population to 60 percent by 2030.

To shorten time to degree, the report recommends:

Strengthening advising and reaching out to students when they attempt to change a major, sign up for a course not on their academic plan, or register for less than 15 credits.

Continuing to build competency-based education and other program innovations that support timely graduation.

Adopting tuition structures that provide incentives for students to enroll in 12 to 18 credit hours at the same cost.

Considering incentives in state financial aid programs for students to take 30 credits in an academic year. Campuses should consider adopting financial incentives such as on-time completions bonuses, small incentive scholarships and reduced rates for the summer term.

Promoting the "15 to Finish" messaging at both state and campus levels.

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## September Two-For-One Camping Deal Offered at Kentucky State Park Campgrounds

FRANKFORT, Ky. (July 12, 2018) – Kentucky State Parks are offering a weekday camping special during the month of September!

Guests can purchase one night of camping Sunday through Thursday and get a second consecutive night Sunday through Thursday free. The offer is good Sept. 4-27, 2018.

When making reservations online, guests should use the promo code "Fall2018."

Three Kentucky State Parks have slightly different camping offers. Pennyriple Forest State Resort Park and Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park guests can use this promotion any day of the week from Sept. 4 to 30, 2018.

Carter Caves State Resort Park campers can use this promotion any day of the week from Sept. 9 to 30, 2018.

Kentucky State Parks have 30 campgrounds around the state that have spots for RVs, campers and tents. For information and reservations, visit [www.parks.ky.gov](http://www.parks.ky.gov)

This offer is not valid on existing reservations. Guests need to use Reserve America to make their reservations or to make any changes to their reservations. This offer does not include the campground at the Kentucky Horse Park.

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