

Congratulations to Marshall Pitts and Jason White on their graduating from Gibson County High School Friday night. Some of those attending their graduation were Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell, Michael and Stacy Pitts, Tracy and Leighanni Simpson, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Banks, Mrs. Geraldine Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Preston White and Justin and many more. Congratulations also to Bobby Ballard who graduated from McKenzie High School Friday night. His aunt Sarah Skinner attended his graduation.

Several out-of-town people came home during the Memorial Day holiday. Mrs. Mattie Faye Simpson and children of St. Louis and Captain Jo Pearl Mays of Virginia came home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. John Mays met Jo Pearl at the airport in Memphis. They came back through Jackson and visited Mrs. Fair Bell Mullins and Mr. Melvin Brooks at Madison County Hospital. The Mays family had a family get-together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Porter in honor of their older sister, Ms. Mary L. Mays. It was certainly a pleasant surprise to her, because she did not know her daughter, Jo Pearl, was coming home. Dr. Denny Banks and his friend of Memphis came home Sunday morning.

John Brooks Jr. (Skip) and son, Byron McCarley of St. Louis came home Friday. Skip visited his father, Mr. Melvin Brooks Sr. along with other family members while here.

Rev. and Mrs. Billy Mitchell, Mrs. Dannie Sharp, and Ms. Esther Moore of St. Louis spent the weekend in Kenton. Mr. and Mrs. Tony Vaughn and Billy Mitchell of Jackson visited in Kenton also.

Four generations of the Cole and Brown families were in Kenton over the Memorial Day weekend. Mrs. Willie J. Moore of IN, and Mrs. Kizzie Crawford are the only Cole sisters still living, and they were here along with children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and friends. They came from IN, MO, KY, GA, IL and other states. They filled the Kenton Motel, the Coles' home, Mrs. Nan Taylor's home, and also stayed in motels in Kenton and Union City.

Mr. Willie C. Mathis of Tiptonville visited his sister, Mrs. Clara Akins and visited other friends in Kenton also. Rev. and Mrs. Willie Pounds of Ripley came to Kenton on Saturday afternoon and joined the Coles. They spent the night in the home of James and Sarah Skinner. Mr. William Edmonds, Jr. was dismissed from the hospital Friday night. His father brought him home. He had a doctor's appointment in Jackson Monday.

Service was held all day Sunday at St. Paul Baptist Church beginning with Sunday School. Mrs. Willie J. Moore, Mrs. Kizzie Crawford, Mrs. Elnora Woodson and Byron McCauley were visitors in Sunday School. We had a very good lesson and it was very well explained. We certainly enjoyed our visitors and their comments. Pastor, Willie Pounds delivered the morning message, a very beautiful one. There were several visitors in attendance. Rev. Billy Mitchell delivered a wonderful message in the afternoon service. The service was the 26th annual program of the Rosson Cemetery Committee. Mr. John L. Mitchell was the Master of Ceremonies and there were several participants on the program. Mrs. Kizzie Crawford is the founder of this program and she, along with everyone else certainly missed the late Mrs. Josie L. Taylor. During the service recognition was given to the "Cole" sisters' children who were presented with beautiful corsages and boutonnières. They were Misters Arvelle Fisher, Michael Fisher, Charles Tabor, Mrs. Sophie Covington, Jacqueline Means, Darlene Miller, Bonnie Taylor, Juanita Taylor and Mr. Booker Fisher.

At the end of the service, Mrs. Juanita Taylor and others gave a beautiful memorial period in memory of all who had deceased since last Memorial Day. We were happy to have Mr. and Mrs. James Williams of Dyer and Mrs. Mildred Fox to share in the service.

Amber Edmonds was carried to

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the E.R. at Madison County Hospital in Jackson Sunday morning. She was treated and released, and is much better at this writing.

Mr. John Warren of Dyersburg visited Rodney Alford, the Skinners, the Warrens, and the Swifts Monday. James and Sarah Skinner visited Tony Alford at Tiptonville Monday. Malcolm Skinner of Nashville visited Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell Monday. Mr. William Edmonds and Ashley visited Mayor Floyd Brown Jr. in Bradford Monday.

Pictures will be taken Sunday, May 31, at St. Paul Church for the 100th Anniversary Souvenir book. All members and friends who wish to have their photos taken, please be present at 1:30 p.m.

The Voices of Nashville will be singing at St. Paul Sunday, May 31 at 3 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Cole & Brown Family Reunion  
The descendants of the late Mr. W.C. Cole and Mrs. Sophie Brown Cole held their family reunion at the Masonic Lodge Hall in Kenton on Memorial Day weekend. It began Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. with a free blood pressure screening for the public at the hall. Dr. Marsha Fisher Dunlap held the clinic. At 5:30 a delicious meal was served to all who desired to eat. Dishes of a great variety of foods were served.

The reunion was directed and advised by Mrs. Willie J. Moore and Mrs. Kizzie Crawford. The program which followed immediately after the dinner was emceed by Mr. Arvelle Fisher accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Claudia Fisher. The history of the Cole/Brown family was given by Dr. Marsha Fisher Dunlap, Mrs. W.J. Moore gave the welcome, prayer by Mr. Charles Tabor, deceased recognized by Mr. Booker Fisher, poem by Ms. Robin Means. The Brown/Cole Youth did a beautiful skit in poem form and sang. The entire crowd sang

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All members are urged to be present. Visitors are welcome.

"Leaving Town" and "Cole Blues" which were written by Mr. Arvelle Fisher who played the guitar. Several family members had comments, Rev. Willie Pounds had comments and gave the benediction. Family members came from all around, IN, IL, KY, GA, and MO and other places. Rev. and Mrs. Pounds, The Edmonds family, the Skinner family, Rev. Mitchell Bro. Brown of Bradford, and Bro. Lovelace joined them on Saturday night. The reunion continued on Sunday with church and all kinds of games at the lodge hall grounds dinner and fellowship.

There were four generations of the family present, more than has ever been to Kenton at the same time ever. County Line Lodge and Naomi Chapter OES are very thankful to God that we had a place for them to hold their reunion in comfort. The family presented the lodge hall with a new microwave oven. Mrs. Jacqueline Means presented St. Paul and Rev. and Mrs. Pounds a beautiful portrait of Jesus for the church that she painted. To all of this we are grateful and say thank you from our hearts.

On Saturday the Cole/Brown family and some of the friends wore beautiful blue t-shirts with white lettering, white pants, shorts, and skirts, blue socks and white shoes. The tables were decorated with blue and white cloths, and blue and white balloons hung from the ceiling. Everything was beautiful and well organized.

The men, Michael and Arvelle Fisher, Charles Tabor, C.W. Taylor, William Edmonds, some of the younger men and Floyd Brown Jr. grilled the meat and cooked the fish. Everyone enjoyed it and are looking forward to next year.

### OES To Gather

Naomi Chapter #265 O.E.S. are having a special meeting Friday night, May 29 at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge Hall in Kenton for the purpose of conferring a degree.