



MARTIN LUKE MEDLEY
b. 25 June 1907, Putnam Co., TN
d. 24 July 1998, TN
s/o Zina "Zinnie" A. Medley & Sarah Fronie Judd



CELEBRATING A HUNDRED YEARS
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Way Back When: By BOB McMILLAN
Son Paul Michael Medley works at WHUB Radio.

(Feb. 16, 1931) Nearly all of Buffalo Valley, Putnam's 'lower county town,' burns as a fire that started in Walter Jared's home spreads to nearly every structure in town. In flames were Z.A. Medley's store and home, **Luke Medley's** store and home, the Jared Brother's stock barn, R.L. Maxwell's home, the old Maxwell house, the Shell service station and the Post Office.)

(August 5, 1939) **Luke Medley** of Buffalo Valley has been issued a construction permit to build Cookeville's first radio station, WHUB.

(July 11, 1940) History was made here at 1 a.m. yesterday, July 10, when the voice of Gene Edwards was broadcast over the airways of WHUB, Cookeville's first radio station.

Congratulatory calls began coming in almost immediately, telling station owner **Luke Medley** and staff that the signal was heard loud and clear as far north as Bowling Green, KY and as far south as Atlanta.

Joining Edwards, the station's program director, for that first broadcast were Albert Brogdon, leader of Cookeville's band, and Bob Davidson. The chief engineer was Jeff Beasley and Charles Duke ran the transmitter.

That first test went on through the night, sending gospel music, tunes by the Cumberland Mountain Boys and live gospel from Cookeville's Gospel Singers out to radio listeners throughout the Cumberlands until 5:30 a.m.

The station will begin its normal daily broadcasting schedule on July 20, say Medley.

(July 20, 1950) WHUB is celebrating its 10th anniversary this week, proving that a strictly rural audience can support a radio station. The newspaper notes that the station had hard going in its early years, but **Luke Medley** hung on.

In 1944, WHUB became affiliated with CBS Radio, enabling the station to offer network broadcasts and news as well as music. Medley, by the way, is now a candidate for Putnam County Judge.

The station's present staff includes station director Joe Mabry, chief engineer George Daugherty, John Carr, Genira Jo Qualls, Jones Haile, Tom Harris, Claude Haston, Lester Ketchersid, Stacy Mott, Ernest Wells, and Ed Zegarske.

(Nov. 8, 1953) They've widened it into a broad avenue, they've resurfaced it, and now this week they dedicated it too. A group of local officials was on hand when the ribbon was cut on Washington Avenue this week.

On hand when the photo was snapped were **County Judge Luke Medley**, Mayor Dero Brown and Lt. Governor Jared Maddux.

(July 12, 1956) White County Judge Edd Knowles and Putnam **Judge Luke Medley** this week met to talk about building a jointly owned airport in the edge of White County.

(12 June 1958) County **Judge Luke Medley** said this week that the easements are all signed and the heavy equipment is being moved into place in **Buffalo Valley** this week to begin Putnam's stretch of the new super-highway, Interstate Route 503. It will eventually go from Bristol to Memphis and beyond.

Putnam's section of the new highway will cost the federal government \$2.7 million. The first link will go 3.2 miles between **Buffalo Valley** and **Silver Point**. By the time it's ready to pave, they'll have moved 2.5 million cubic yards of dirt and rock. It will be ready to drive in about two years.

(Jan. 8, 1963) **Luke Medley** became the city's new mayor this week. He replaced Jack Mann, who he praised for bringing progress to Cookeville such as the new Bowser plant.

Medley pledged that he too would seek to broaden the city's industrial base. he also said he has full confidence in Cookeville's new city manager form of government.

Under it, he cautioned, councilmen have no business becoming involved in the day-to-day workings of city hall. Voters changed that by changing the city's form of government, he noted.

(May 12, 1965) **Mayor Luke Medley** this week cut the ribbon to open the new underpass of Willow Avenue beneath the railroad tracks.

(March 27, 1972) The head of the Tennessee Aviation Commission told the newspaper here this week that based on calls from Putnam County residents to his office, it seems that three out of four here support the establishment of a regional airport between Cookeville and Sparta.

Talks have been going on for some time here now about building an airport between the two cities to serve the region.

County Judge **Luke Medley** said he supports the idea and said, “I hope our two communities can get together on this.”

(March 31, 1996) Cookeville’s oldest radio station, WHUB, is sold to Paxson Communications. WHUB-AM was opened by **Luke Medley** on July 20, 1940, and WHUB-FM was created in 1964.

(July 26, 1998) Services are held for **Luke Medley**, 91, a visionary businessman and political figure who opened the first small-market radio station in Tennessee here in 1940 and who served as County Judge for 16 years, and Cookeville’s mayor for two terms.

Listening to the radio became a popular way to spend the weekend. Instead of gathering at the courthouse, a lot of folks gathered at one another’s homes to listen to radio programs. And listening to the Grand Ole Opry became the focal point for many families on Saturday night.

Vernie Randolph remembers one neighbor who bought a radio and wanted to share his good fortune with the whole neighborhood.

“Every Saturday night, he played his radio so loud I could still hear the ‘Grand Ole Opry’ after I went to bed,” she said.

Source: Putnam County Tennessee 1850-1970 by Mary Jean DeLozier

*(Martin Luke Medley’s name was listed incorrectly in this book as **Luke M. Medley**. The correction of the name came from his son Paul Michael Medley).*

Preface: It was a far-sighted Putnam County judge, **Luke M. Medley**, who initiated the writing of this book. Recognizing the need for a new history of the county, he urged the Putnam County Quarterly Court to authorize such a work, and in July of 1971, largely as a result of his efforts, I accepted a commission from the county to write this history. I wish to express my appreciation to Patsy Kemp, who expertly typed the final manuscript; to Juanita Heard, Putnam County Genealogist; to James H. Heard, who made it his special task to collect old photographs for the book; and for the late Margaret Carlen Maddux, C. Donald Caplenor, and **Sara Medley Jared**, who enjoyed history and believed that I could write it. Finally, and above all, I wish to thank my husband, Leon T. DeLozier, for his patience and encouragement through trying moments over many years.

Pg. 215: Many Putnam Countians caught the craze. *(talking about the radio)*. ED.L. Mitchell, who had taught radio at TPI during World War I, organized a wireless club in Cookeville in 1922 and townspeople began to construct crystal sets. Carl Niles built the first radio in Buffalo Valley. Throughout the county, folks tuned in on the world.

Tennessee was slow getting into broadcasting; in 1933 it had only six stations. Buffalo Valley merchant and future county judge **Luke Medley** assessed the situation and decided to investigate the possibility of building a radio station in Cookeville. The Federal Radio Commission advised him that no frequencies were available in 1933. That determined businessman, with little cash but with the backing of Jesse Beasley of Buffalo

Valley; John H. DeWitt of WSM radio, Nashville; future United States Representative Albert Gore, Sr.; and a number of Cookeville business people, applied for license again in 1937. On 27 July 1939 the Commission granted his request.

Medley put a transmitter on Hickory Street near TPI and built a studio in East Side. With Charles Duke as engineer, Bill Reeves in charge of programming, and Gene Edwards announcing, station WHUB, the “Voice of the Upper Cumberland” went on the air 20 July 1940. Transmitting on 1400 kilocycles, it had a signal strength of 250 watts. Cookeville was the smallest of fourteen cities in the state to support a radio station.

Broadcasting from six a.m. to ten p.m., WHUB featured news, transcribed music, and live talent such as gospel groups, “hillbilly” bands, and vocal solos by Willene Huddleston, Elmira Shipley, and H.S. Barnes. Though Medley scrounged for advertisers, during its first few years the future of the new enterprise was shaky. When the United States entered World War II, local merchants did not buy radio ads due to stock shortages. By 1943, however, WHUB had weathered the financial crisis. On 10 July 1944 it affiliated with the Columbia Broadcasting System.

(Pg. 10: Stray Leaves from Putnam County Tennessee by Mary Hopson Staff members of WHUB radio in the 1940's).



Front row, from left, are: Genira Chambers Qualls, Ed Zegarske, Tom Harris, **Luke Medley**, Joe Mabry, Stacey Mott, and Henry G. Trent. Second row: Dr. Sidney L. McGee, Sara Martha (Medley) Jared, Felice Burch Bratton, Charles Burch, Katerine Beasley, Pauline Medley, Frances Harris, Mary Moss, and Emily Richards. Third row: Pat Qualls, Hubert Beasley, Bill Stamps, Jess Golden, Frank Moss, and Martin Medley.

Beasley, Hillard Brown, Royce Richards, Joe Golden, Frank Moss, and Martin Medley. Courtesy Luke Medley.

(Pg. 198: Pictorial History of Putnam County Tennessee by First American Bank). This beautiful home is located on the **Luke Medley** farm in the western end of Putnam County. It was once known as the McKinley Farm and later the Zina Medley Farm.



(Pg. 282: Siftings from Putnam County Tennessee by Mary Hopson).

Seated from left: Wilbert (*Wilburn*) Maddux and his wife Mary Maddux. Standing from left: Frank Maddux, 1898-1989, who married Eliza Bartlett; Elisha Maddux who married Velma

Bartlett and their sister, Bertie M. Maddux who died at a young age. This family lived in the Buffalo Valley area on the Luke Medley (*Z.A. Medley*) farm. Courtesy of Michele Savage, daughter of Willie Frank Maddux.

Pg. 238: Tennessee Polytechnic Institute:

From 1920 to 1940 Tennessee Polytechnic Institute increased its enrollment, expanded from a two-year to a four-year college, established itself as a reputable engineering school, and weathered the depression. In the 1920's it was a little more than a technical high school. Of the 329 students in 1927, most were enrolled in high school courses and many were day students.

James P. Buck and James Carlen, day students, and **Luke Medley**, a boarding student, recalled life on Tech's campus in the twenties. Buck walked from his home to the campus, a distance of over two miles, to attend classes. Medley lived in West Hall, today's Bartoo Hall, and ate in the dining room of East Hall, Kittrell today.

Pg. 253: In 1949, they chartered the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce with **Luke Medley as president**. The Chambers built an office at the corner of Jefferson and Spring and hired Richard Markham as executive-secretary. **Grover Anderson** succeeded Markham the following year and worked in this post until 1966.

Pg. 269: After the war, many Putnam Countians, for the first time, grew concerned about the quality of their schools. Under the leadership (and often prodding) of county judges W.L. Swallows (1942-1950), **M. Luke Medley (1950-1958)**, and James M. Mosier (1958-1964) and superintendents of education Oliver T. Bohannon (1946-1952), Dave C. Huddleston (1952-1958), and Eddie H. Watson (1958-1966), the Quarterly Court raised the county property tax for educational purposes from \$1.02 in 1942 to \$2.03 in 1960.

Pg. 276: Cookevillians argued vigorously about what to do about their antiquated hospital. Some wanted to remodel Howard, others to construct a new building. After a year of controversy Cookevillians voted 667 to 61 to build a new hospital in the western part of the town. Taking advantage of \$165,000 in federal funds under the Hill-Burton Act, the city began construction of the \$554,000 facility late in 1949.

More than five thousand people attended the dedication of the concrete and stone structure in December, 1950. With a staff of thirty-seven, the hospital had beds for fifty-eight patients, Drs. J. T. DeBerry, William A. Hensley, Kenneth L. Haile, William A. Howard, J. Thomas Moore, Sr., Thurman Shipley, and J. Fred Terry attended patients. Elmer L. Crozier was hospital administrator. Grady Crawford, Elizabeth Killefer, Charles K. Darwin, **M. Luke Medley**, and George Shanks comprised the first hospital board.

Pg. 288: Buffalo Valley merchant and magistrate from the ninth civil district of Putnam County, **M. Luke Medley** moved to Cookeville in the late thirties to open radio station WHUB. He was soon active in civic affairs and the county Republican party. Elected county judge in 1950, he worked successfully for increased appropriations for schools

and highways and was instrumental in the purchase of the Putnam County Fair Grounds on the Sparta Highway. After Jimmy Mosier defeated him for reelection in 1958, Medley, served two terms as mayor of Cookeville. Voters reelected him county judge in 1966.

Pg. 292: Engineers mapped I-40, an east-west route connecting Knoxville and Memphis and extending eastward to Greensboro, NC and westward to Barstow, CA. Putnam Countians were especially interested in the new highway, for US 70N, the principal east-west artery through the county at that time, was mostly a two-lane, winding road, inadequate to accommodate the numbers of cars and trucks which used it regularly. County leaders recognized that it would be a great advantage to the area to get the new highway routed through Putnam.

Preliminary projections, however, provided for the new road to go through Jackson rather than Putnam County. County **Judge Luke Medley**, along with other county citizens, though, finally persuaded the Governor's Planning Board, which was charged with the task of determining the course of I-40, to route the new highway through Putnam. Highway Department officials let the contract for the first segment in the county, from Buffalo Valley to Silver Point, in 1958

Pg. 303: Cookeville's explosion in the sixties placed heavy burdens on its officials. Mayors W.M. "Jack" Mann (1961-1963), **Luke Medley (1963-1966)**, Malcolm N. "Cotton" Johnson (1967), and Robert C. "Bobby" Davis (1967-1973), aided by leaders in business, industry, and education, coped with these problems with efficiency and foresight..

Pg. 310: State and federal monies were available for library construction, but the rurally-dominated Quarterly Court would not vote to match them. The issue came before the magistrates a number of times, always with the same results. In 1967, for example, **Judge Medley** proposed an appropriation of \$150,000 to match available funds to build a new \$250,000 library. After heated debate the Court defeated the measure by two votes. Williard Nash of the Eighth Civil District led the fight against the appropriation, "We already have a library and we have a rolling library available to all," argued Nash. "When I go into the library," he added, "I don't see many people." Putnam County did not get a new library until 1974.

Despite its disagreements, the Putnam County Quarterly Court, under the leadership of Judge Jimmy Mosier (1958-1966) and **Medley (1966-1974)** made some progress. It improved country roads.

[WHUB](#) – AM Radio: **Cookeville** (Putnam) TN US.. *classic country*
689 S. Willow, Cookeville, TN 38501-3146
931-526-2131

Source: Audrey J. Denny Lambert, granddaughter to Virgil Timothy Denny & Audra Camilla Anderson.



(Picture of Martin Luke Medley & his wife Pauline Maddux from Audra Denny's scrapbook)

My grandparents, Virgil Timothy Denny & Audra Camilla Anderson Denny were good friends Martin Luke & Pauline Medley. Audra wrote: I made Pauline Medley a dress in 1919 with ruffles around the bottom. My very dear friends, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Medley of Cookeville, TN.

Source: Carolyn Shanks Huddleston:

Audrey, Martin Luke Medley's parents: Zina "Zinnie" & Fronie Judd Medley--he had the store in the Valley which once sold furniture and you name it. A Dentist from Columbia, I think, came up ever so often & did dental work in a room upstairs of the building his name was Dr. Lamb, I remember seeing him one time for some reason, I don't remember.

Zinnie's father was: William Riley Medley (old man Bill Medley) everybody would say, he had 2-3 wives--but Zinnie's mother was a Pedigo (*Mary Elizabeth Pedigo*) when she died he married her sister and eventually married Ada McCulley who was alot younger than him--they had: Cyril, "Dock", (Esther Medley's father), Mable who married Thurman Alcorn, who had a store in Buffalo Valley and Verta Mae married Lloyd Denney, son of John Rankin Denny & Ada Scruggs. John Rankin Denny later md Marena Norma Carr who had a son A.D. Carr and they had Phillip Denny, who was about my age.

Zinnie had four siblings, too--Ernest Medley, who married your great Aunt (Ruth & Louise's mom), Babe Medley, Doss, & a sister who married a Johnson & maybe more.

Pauline was a Maddux, Charlie Burton Maddux was her father and Martha D. Jones was her mother. She was a sister of Ruby Jared, Edith Nichols Neal, Mary Alice Young, & bros Compton, Mac, & maybe others.

Herald-Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: Front Page, 26 July 1998
LUKE MEDLEY, FORMER JUDGE, MAYOR, DIES



Funeral services for M. L. (Luke) Medley, 91, a long-time leader in local government, industry recruitment and public service in Putnam County and the Upper Cumberland, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at First Presbyterian Church in Cookeville, with burial in Cookeville City Cemetery.

His family will receive friends from 4 to 9 p.m. today at the chapel of Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Home.

Mr. Medley died at his home on Friday, July 24, 1998.

A visionary with a life-long philosophy of public service, Medley was responsible for helping to bring electricity to the rural communities in the 1930's and served as a driving

force in organizing the Chamber of Commerce and Upper Cumberland Development District.

In 1940, Medley founded WHUB radio, one of the first small-market radio CBS affiliates in the country and the first station to serve the Upper Cumberland.

A lifelong Republican, he was repeatedly elected to public office in Putnam County, which was traditionally Democratic at the time. Some of the offices he held included Putnam County judge for 16 years, Cookeville mayor for two terms, and he also served as a justice of the peace.

He also served as secretary of the Tennessee Republican Party for 20 years.

His advocacy and influence is partly responsible for some of the defining characteristics of Putnam County, including the hospital, library, municipal buildings and fairgrounds.

He helped to ensure an adequate water supply for Cookeville and much of rural Putnam County, and his representation on the five-member governor's committee to route Tennessee's interstate highway system guaranteed Upper Cumberland access to I-40.

Medley was also known for his commitment to excellence in education, which is reflected by his role in the county's school consolidation and improvement plan.

An alumnus of Tennessee Tech here in Cookeville, he served on both the Tennessee Tech and University of Tennessee Development Councils.

Medley was also a longtime member and former elder of the Buffalo Valley and Cookeville First Presbyterian Churches.

His family includes his wife of 70 years, Pauline Maddux Medley; three sons, Paul Michael Medley, Martin Luke Medley Jr., and Donald Richard Medley, all of Cookeville; 10 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Zina and Sarah Judd Medley; a daughter, Sara Martha Medley Jared, and two brothers, Ralph and Beverly Medley.

Serving as pallbearers will be Dr. Jeff Gleason, Andrew McCain, Dr. Christian Christensen, and grandsons Martin Luke Medley II, Paul Michael Medley Jr., Richard Medley and Mark Jared.

Honorary pallbearers will be W.R. Whitaker, H. S. Barnes, Louis Johnson, Dr. William S. Taylor, Lamar Medley, Warren G. Medley, Dr. Adron Medley and former employees of WHUB.

Memorial contributions can be made in Mr. Medley's memory to the Luke and Pauline Medley Scholarship Endowment at Tennessee Tech, Box 5047, Cookeville, TN 38505.

Census Place: 1880 District 1, Putnam Co., Tennessee

Source: FHL Film 1255275 National Archives Film T9-1275 Page 88D

	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace
W.R. MEDLEY	Self	M	M	M	W 23	TN
	Occ:	Farmer	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

(William "Bill" R. Medley)

M.E. MEDLEY	Wife	F	M	M	W 19	TN
	Occ:	Keeping House	Fa: TN	Mo: TN		

(Mary Elizabeth Pedigo)

1900 Census – 11th Civil Dist. – Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 10 Family: 10

Medley, **William R.** Head W M December 1857 42 Married 3 Farmer TN TN TN

(1st wife was Mary Elizabeth Pedigo – (1860-1892).

Ader Wife W F October 1876 23 Married 3 (1 child born, 1 child living) TN TN TN

(3rd wife of William R. Medley - Ada McCulley)

Zina A. Son W M July 1880 19 Single Farm Laborer TN TN TN

(Zina "Zinnie" Medley md Fronie Judd) (1930 census, Zaira A. Medley)

Haritte Daughter F W July 1884 15 Single At School TN TN TN

Earnest Son W M November 1885 Single Farm Laborer TN TN TN

(Ernest "Earnest" Medley md Micheal "Telia" Anderson)

Elsie M. Daughter F W March 1887 13 Single At School TN TN TN

Babe Son W M November 1889 10 Single At School TN TN TN

Eskel E. Son W M January 1898 2 Single TN TN TN

(Eskel E.- Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley, s/o William R. Medley & Ader "Ada" McCulley).

In the 1880 census, Dist. 1, Putnam Co., TN is listed William R. Medley 23yrs. old a farmer md to M. E. 19yrs. old his wife. This would have been his 1st wife Mary E. Pedigo. No children are listed as of yet, the first child, Zina was born July 1880. Mary E. Pedigo Medley was born 4 December 1860 and died 24 April 1892 and is buried in the Medley Graveyard located across from the Lloyd Denny place. Recorded by Ester Medley Broderice 1981. William R. Medley then married his his 1st wife's sister the md 3rd Ader "Ada" McCulley. Ader was born 25 October 1876 and died ca. 1958, she is buried in the Medley Graveyard next to William R. Medley who was born 22 December 1857 and died 12 February 1944. Other Medley family members buried in Medley Graveyard are: Bessie Lee Medley, born 4 November 1910 and died 16 December 1910, d/o Doss & Samantha J. Medley; Cyril H. Medley, born 12 December 1903 and died 17 March 1956; Medley infant of Dock & Beuna Medley, no dates; & Martha Medley born 25 July 1876 and died 11 October 1896.

1900 Census – 11th Civil Dist. – Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 165 Family: 167

Maddux, Charley Head 21 M W November 1878 Married 2/12 Superintendent TN TN TN

(Charlie Maddux md Martha Jones)

Maddux, Martha D. Wife 25 F W May 1875 Married 2/12 (0 children born, 0 children living) TN TN TN

1910 Census – 11th Civil Dist. – Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 18 Family: 20

Maddux, Charlie B. Head 32 M W Married1 (12 yrs. married) Salesman Retail Store TN TN TN

Maddux, Martha D. Wife 34 F W Married1 (12 yrs. married) (5 children born, 5 children living)

TN TN TN (Martha Jones)

Maddux, Edith M. Dau 9 F W Single TN TN TN

Maddux, Mary A. Dau 7 F W Single TN TN TN

Maddux, Ernest C. Son 5 M W Single TN TN TN

Maddux, Pauline Dau 3 F W Single TN TN TN (Pauline Maddux md Martin Luke Medley)

Maddux, Rubie Dau 18/12 F W Single TN TN TN

1910 Census – 11th Civil Dist. – Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 175 Family: 175

Medley, William R. Head M W 52 Married (14 yrs. married) Farmer General Farm TN TN TN
Medley, Ada Wife F W 34 Married (14 yrs. married) (4 children born, 4 children living) TN TN TN
Medley, Elsa M. Dau F w 22 Single TN TN TN
Medley, Babe Son M W 20 Single TN TN TN (*Babe Medley md Ida Kirkham*)
Medley, Eschol E. Son M W 12 Single TN TN TN
(*Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley md Beuna Vista Denny*)
Medley, Verte M. Dau F W 9 Single TN TN TN (*Verta May Medley md Lloyd Denny*)
Medley, Cyril H. Son M W 6 Single TN TN TN
Medley, Mabel R. Dau F W 4 Single TN TN TN (*Mable R. Medley md Thurman Alcorn*)
Medley, Arnold Grandson M W 2 Single TN TN TN

1920 Census – 11th Civil Dist. – Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 24 Family: 24 Line: 16

Medley, William R. Head M W 62 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN
Medley, Ada Wife F W 42 Married TN TN TN
Medley, Eschol E. Son M W 21 Single TN TN TN
(*Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley md Buena Vista Denny*)
Medley, Verte Mai Dau F W 17 Single TN TN TN
(*Verta Mae Medley "Vesta Mai" md Lloyd Denton Denny, s/o John Rankin Denny and Ada Scruggs*)
Medley, Cyril Son M W 16 Single TN TN TN
Medley, Mabel R. Dau F W 14 Single TN TN TN (*Mabel Medley md Thurman Alcorn*)

1930 Census 11th Civil Dist.– Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 161 Family: 162 Line: 1

Medley, William R. Head 72 Owns Home M W Married (21 yrs. old 1st marriage) Farmer TN TN TN
Medley, Ada Wife 53 Married (20 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

1920 Census 9th Civil Dist.– Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 15 Family: 17 Line: 62

Medley, Zaira A. Head Owns Home M W 39 Married Merchant General Store TN TN TN
Medley, Fronie Wife F W 39 Married TN TN TN
Medley, Ralph Son 17 M W Single TN TN TN
Medley, Luke Son 12 M W Single TN TN TN
Medley, Bailey Son 7 Single TN TN TN
Judd, Alice Sister-in-Law 30 F W Single TN TN TN
Huddleston, Floyd Hired Help 20 M W Single Clerk General Store TN TN TN

US Census: 1920 – Civil Dist. 11 – Putnam Co., TN

Line: 42 Dwl: 166 Family: 167

Denny, John Head 43 M W Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN
(*John Rankin Denny, s/o John Smith Denny & Nancy Henrietta Carlen*)
Denny, Ada Wife 42 F W Married TN TN TN (*Ada Scruggs, d/o George W. Scruggs & Sally Clark*)
Denny, Harold Son 20 M W Single Salesman General Store TN TN TN
(*George Harold Denny md Emma Lyon Whitaker*)
Denny, Gladys Dau 19 F W Single Cashier Bank TN TN TN
(*Gladys Beatrice Denny md Will Bradley Alcorn*)
Denny, Buena Dau 18 F W Single TN TN TN (*Buena Vista Denny md Eugene Eschol "Dock" Medley*)
Denny, Lloyd Son 16 M W Single TN TN TN (*Lloyd Denton Denny md Verta Mae Medley*)
Denny, Dimple Dau 14 F W Single TN TN TN (*Dimple S. Denny md William Claude Garrison*)
Denny, Tamer Son M W 12 Single TN TN TN (*Tamer Jones Denny md Clara Nell Ashburn*)

1930 Census 9th Civil Dist.– Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 62 Family: 68 Line: 80

Medley, Luke Head 22 M W Married (20 yrs. old 1st marriage) Merchant General Store TN TN TN

Medley, Pauline Wife 23 F W Married (21 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

1930 Census 9th Civil Dist.– Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 63 Family: 69 Line: 82

Medley, Zinn Head (Value of real estate 1,500) M W 49 Married (21 yrs. old 1st marriage)
Merchant General Store TN TN TN

(Zina “Zinnie” Medley md Sarah Fronie Judd) (Children: Beverly, Ralph & Luke Medley)

Medley, Fronie Wife F W 50 Married (21 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

Medley, Bailey Son M W 17 Single TN TN TN (Beverly Medley)

US Census: 1930 – Civil Dist. 11 – Putnam Co., TN

Line: 82 Dwl: 155 – Family: 156

Denny, Lloyd Head Rents Home 26 M W Married (20 yrs. old 1st marriage) Farmer General Farm
TN TN TN

(Lloyd Denton Denny, s/o John Rankin Denny and Ada Scruggs)

Denny, Vesta Mai Wife 28 F W Married (19 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

(Vesta Mai Medley, d/o William Riley Medley & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo)

1930 Census 11th Civil Dist.– Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 162 Family: 163 Line: 3

Medley, Escol E. Head 32 M W Married (23 yrs. old 1st marriage) Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

Medley, Buena Wife 27 F W Married (19 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

(Buena Vista Denny, d/o John Rankin Denny & Ada Scruggs)

Medley, William R. Son 6 M W Single TN TN TN

Micheal “Telia” Anderson – b. 23 February 1891, Silver Pt., TN

d. 1 July 1952, TN – *Cookeville General Hospital, Tuesday morning.*

Named after her Grandmother, Micheal Martelia Elizabeth Alexander.

d/o Lewis Monroe Anderson & Matildia “Tildy” Isabelle Wallace

md 22 December 1907, **Ernest “Earnest” Medley** –

b. 15 November 1885, TN – d. 26 September 1967, TN

s/o **William R. Medley** (1857-1944) & **Mary E. Pedigo** (1860-1892)

Both Buried: + Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, TN

1910 Census – 11th Civil District – Putnam Co., TN

Dwl: 1 Family: 1

Medley, Ernest Head M W 24 Married (2 yrs. married) Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

Medley, Telie Wife F W 20 Married (2 yrs. married) (1 child born, 1 child living) TN TN TN

(Child not listed on the 1910 census should be **James Arnold Medley** – b.10 January 1909, TN
md Delzell “Dell” Boyd)

1920 Census – 20th Civil District – Putnam Co., TN – Mine Lick Road

Dwl: 184 Family: 186 Line: 95

Medley, Earnest Head Owns Home M W 34 Married Farmer General Farm TN TN TN

Medley, Telia Wife F W 28 Married TN TN TN

Medley, Arnold Son M W 11 Single TN TN TN (*James Arnold Medley md Delzell “Dell” Boyd*)

Medley, Morris Son M W 9 Single TN TN TN (*Morris Charles Medley md Vera Margaret Swallows*)

Medley, Lamar Son M W 3 Single TN TN TN (*Lamar Medley md Elizabeth Carolyn Hall*)

Medley, Ruth Dau F W 2/12 Single TN TN TN (*Ruth Medley md John Neal*)

1930 Census – 20th Civil Dist. Putnam Co., TN – Lived on Mine Lick Rd.

Dwl: 112 Family: 112 Line: 58 – Mine Lick Rd. – Baxter Town

Medley, Earnest Head Owns Home M W 44 Married (22 yrs. old 1st marriage) Farmer General Farm
TN TN TN

Medley, Telia Wife F W 39 Married (16 yrs. old 1st marriage) TN TN TN

Medley, Morris Son M W 18 Single TN TN TN

(Morris C. Medley md Vera Swallows, d/o William Stanton Swallows & Ida Sophia Freeman).

Medley, Lamar Son M W 19 Single TN TN TN

(Lamar Medley md Elizabeth Carolyn Hall, d/o James Hall & Deane Galbraith)

Medley, Ruth Dau F W 10 Single TN TN TN *(Ruth Medley md John Neal)*

Medley, Louise Dau F W 6 Single TN TN TN *(Louisa Medley never married)*

Medley Roy Son W M 1 Single TN TN TN *(Roy Medley never married died of the measles)*

COOKEVILLE CITY CEMETERY- Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN

***Medley, Martin Luke** – b. 25 June 1907, TN – d. 24 July 1998, TN
s/o Zina "Zinnie" Medley & Sophronia Frona /Fronie "Sarah" Judd

***Medley, Pauline** – b. October 1906, TN – d. 6 May 1999
d/o Charlie Burton Maddux & Martha D. Jones

***Medley, Zina A.** – b. 16 July 1880, TN – d. 17 March 1951
s/o William Riley Medley & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo

***Medley, Sarah J.** – b. 22 February 1880 – d. 31 May 1964

Sophronia Frona /Fronie "Sara" Judd Medley - d/o **Francis Marion & Asenath "Sena" Judd**

Medley, Ralph P. – b. 20 December 1902, TN – d. 23 December 1951
s/o Zina A. Medley & Sophronia Frona /Fronie "Sara" Judd

Jared, Sara Martha Medley – b. 17 October 1930 – d. 20 May 1979 in a house fire.
d/o Martin Luke Medley & Pauline Maddux. Sara M. Medley md 24 April 1955,

Thurl Eugene Jared – b. 23 February 1931 – s/o Cordell & MaeNell (Jared) Jared.

Both attended Putnam County Schools, and Cookeville Senior High School. Both graduated from Tennessee Tech, and both did post graduate work at Vanderbilt University, Nashville. Sarah was an English teacher at Cookeville Senior High School. Eugene has a private Law practice at Cookeville. He is owner and operator of Cove Hollow Boat Dock, Center Hill Lake, Putnam County, TN. He was a Lt. in the U.S. Army and saw action in Korea. Sara lost her life in a tragic fire that destroyed their home in May 1979.

***Medley, Ernest** – b. 15 November 1885, TN – d. 26 September 1967
s/o William Riley Medley & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo

***Medley, Martellia** b. 23 February 1891, TN – d. 1 July 1952

d/o Lewis Monroe Anderson & Matildia "Tildy" Isabelle Wallace

***Medley, James Arnold** – b. 10 January 1909, TN – d. 21 September 1983, TN md **Delzell "Dell" Boyd**

***Medley, Delzell "Dell" Boyd** – b. 9 April 1910

CREST LAWN CEMETERY – located on Buffalo Valley Rd., Putnam Co., TN

***Alcorn, Thurman D.** – b. 26 June 1903 – d. 9 October 1964

***Alcorn Mabel M. Medley** – b. 10 May 1905

d/o William Riley Medley & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo

***Denny, Lloyd Denton** – b. 14 June 1903 – d. 26 August 1976

s/o John Rankin Denny & Ada Scruggs

***Denny, Verta Mae** – b. 23 March 1902 – d. 13 April 1978

Verta Mai Medley, d/o William Riley Medley & Mary Elizabeth Pedigo

MADDUX CEMETERY – located east of Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN on W.W.Shanks farm.

***Maddux, Charlie Burton** – b. 26 September 1875 – d. 4 October 1929

***Maddux, Martha D. Jones** – b. 18 November 1878 – d. 3 April 1940

MEDLEY GRAVEYARD – located across from the Lloyd Denny place. Hopewell Road.

Medley, Bessie Lee – b. 4 November 1910 – d. 16 December 1910 (*d/o Doss & Samantha J. Medley*)

***Medley, William Riley** – b. 22 December 1857, TN – d. 12 February 1944

***Medley, Ada McCulley** – b. 25 October 1876, TN – d. ca. 1958 (*w/o William Riley Medley*)

***Medley, Mary E. Pedigo** – b. 4 December 1860, TN – d. 24 April 1892 (*w/o William Riley Medley*)

@Medley Infant – d/o Dick and Beuna Medley

Medley, Martha – b. 25 July 1876 – d. 11 October 1956

ROCK SPRINGS CHURCH CEMETERY – located in Rock Springs, Putnam Co., TN

***Medley, Eugene Eschol** “*Dock*” – b. 23 January 1898, TN – d. 19 August 1976, TN
s/o William Riley Medley & 3rd wife, Ada “*Ader*” McCulley

***Medley, Beuna Vista Denny** – b. 26 April 1902, Buffalo Valley, TN – d. 21 November 1982,
Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN

d/o John Rankin Denny & Ada Scruggs

SMELLAGE CEMETERY – located in Boma, Putnam Co., TN

***Medley, Babe** – b. 14 November 1889, TN – d. 24 September 1917

s/o Zina “*Zinnie*” Medley & Fronie Judd Medley

***Kirkham, Ida Medley** – b. 22 March 1887

Medley, Charles Morris – b. 25 May 1910, TN – d. 10 July 1940, TN

s/o Ernest Medley & Micheal “*Telia*” Anderson

Medley, Roy – b. 14 May 1928, TN – d. 9 October 1933 *of the measles.*

s/o Ernest Medley & Micheal “*Telia*” Anderson

***Judd, Francis Marion** – b. 10 January 1855, TN – d. 4 October 1912

(1900 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 196 – Francis Marion Judd is head of household md 25 yrs. to Asneath “*Sena*”, 10 children born, 6 children living: Children: William – b. ca. 1869, Mary E. – b. ca. 1876, Frona “*Sarah*” Sophronia – b. 22 February 1880, Martin L. – b. May 1884, TN, Jewel E. – b. November 1886, & Allene Judd – b. January 1888. All born in TN).

Sara J. Sophronia Judd & her husband **Zina Medley**: Both Buried: Cookeville City Cemetery, TN.

***Judd, Asenath “Sena”** – b. 14 April 1846, TN – d. 18 January 1912

(1910 census 9th Civil Dist., Putnam Co., TN: Dwl: 12 – Francis Marion Judd is head of household md 36 yrs. to Asenath “*Sena*”, (father born in KY, mother born in TN), living with them is their daughter, Aliene “*Allene*” Judd, 21 yrs. old, TN, single).

SUNSET CEMETERY – located on Sunset Drive in Clinton, TN.

***Medley, Lamar** – b. 9 December 1916, TN – d. 19 July 2000, Clinton, TN

s/o Ernest Medley & Micheal “*Telia*” Anderson

***Medley, Elizabeth Carolyn Hall** – b. 1 October 1924 – d. 26 September 1998, Clinton, TN

d/o James Hall & Deane Galbraith

Children of Martin Luke Medley & Pauline Maddux

Sara Martha Medley – 17 October 1930 – d. 20 May 1979, TN: Buried: Cookeville City Cemetery, TN – Died in a house fire, she md 24 April 1955, **Thurl Eugene Jared**.

Martin Luke Medley Jr. – b. 4 June 1935 md 1957 **Laura Shields Lowe**, b. 12 December 1935.

(daughter Lucy Medley md Andrew (Swanson) McCain, s/o Alasdair E. Swanson & Carol Shepp. Carol Shepp md 1st Alasdair E. Swanson and had (2) sons Douglas (born 1959) and Andrew (born 1962). Carol Shepp md 2nd John McCain. They had (1) child a daughter named Sidney McCain. John McCain adopted

Douglas and Andrew and their surname was McCain. John McCain and Carol got divorced and John married 2nd Cindy Lou Hensley, an Arizona special education teacher and Hensley & Co. heiress).

Paul Michael “Mike” Medley – b. 25 June 1943 – md 16 August 1969, Cookeville, TN,
Carolyn Elizabeth Cantrell – They met at TTU, Cookeville, TN.

Donald Richard Medley Sr. – b. 27 March 1945 – md **Judith “Judy” Ann McReynolds.**

Source: The Boyd Family History – The Descendants of John Boyd and Mary Elizabeth Leath from Anderson County to Putnam County, Tennessee by Carol Hall Bradford.

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#624: Eva Estelle Brown – b. 27 April 1927 – d/o **Ethel Brown Sr. & Avo Boyd.** Eva Estelle Brown md **Walter McReynolds** – b. 16 October 1922, Putnam Co., TN – d. 17 March 1999, Cookeville, TN – s/o **James McReynolds & Vennie Mahan.**

Children of Eva Brown and Walter McReynolds are:

Judith Ann McReynolds – b. 20 February 1945 – md **Donald Richard Medley Sr.**

Walter Stanley McReynolds – b. 17 April 1947

Richard Wayne McReynolds – b. 15 December 1949 – md **Janet Johnson**

Connie Susan McReynolds – b. 16 October 1951 – md **Harry Gooch**

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#1006: Judith “Judy” Ann McReynolds – b. 20 February 1945.

She married **Donald Richard Medley, Sr.,** - b. 27 March 1945

s/o **Martin Luke Medley & Pauline Maddux.**

Children of Judith McReynolds and Donald Medley Sr. are:

Catherine Ann Medley – b. 30 June 1966

Donald Richard Medley Jr. – b. 18 August 1970, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – md 21 June 2003, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, **Regina Monette Bilbrey** – b. 1970.

Source: Book of Jared Supplement II by Eleanor Hall

Pg. 153: Submitted by Wilda Allen Luttrell

#7485: Sallie MaeNell Jared⁷ (Henry Mason Jared³, Albert Sidney Jared⁵, John Jared⁴, Samuel Raulsten Jared³, William Jared², John Jared¹) born 6 February 1911 to Henry and Mary Etta Belle (McBroom) Jared married 9 February 1930 Cordell D. Jared (Luther Jared⁶, James Jared⁵, Bryce Byrne Jared⁴, Joseph Jared³, William Jared², John Jared¹) born 19 October 1910 to Luther and Pearlie (Sherrell) Jared. (See #3006, page 351 of the 1st Book of Jared by Eleanor Hall: they are 4th cousins).

MaeNell and Cordell were married on the front porch of MaeNell’s parent’s home down in Ellis Hollow. The minister rode a horse down to the ceremony. He charged them \$1.00 for his service. They celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary 9 February 1980. They are property owners , farmers, and all around good neighbors. They attend the Baxter Church of Christ.

MaeNell and Cordell Jared of Baxter celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception given in their honor by their sons, Gene and Roy Jared. A large number of family and friends were on hand to congratulate the couple, who were married February 9, 1930.

MaeNell writes: “I married Cordell Jared 9 February 1930. We celebrated our Golden Anniversary this past February. We married during the depression and were renters for several years. Then, during the war we lived in Detroit, Michigan. Cordell worked at machines, I worked and save enough money to buy a farm. He’s done quite a bit of carpenter work as well as farming.

Children of Sallie MaeNell Jared & Cordell D. Jared are:

Thurl Eugene Jared – b. 23 February 1937 married **Sara Martha Medley.**

Roy Alton Jared – b. 12 February 1937 – md **Betty Bowman.**

Thurl Eugene Jared born 23 February 1931 to **Cordell and Sallie MaeNell (Jared) Jared** married 24 April 1955 **Sara Martha Medley** born 27 October 1930, died 18 May 1979, daughter of **Martin Luke Medley** and **Pauline Maddux**.

Both attended Putnam County Schools, and Cookeville Senior High School. Both graduated from Tennessee Tech, and both did post graduate work at Vanderbilt University, Nashville. Sara was a English teacher at Cookeville Senior High School. Eugene has a private Law practice at Cookeville. He is owner and operator of Cove Hollow Boat Dock, Center Hill Lake, Putnam County, TN. He was a Lt. In the U.S. Army and saw action in Korea. Sara lost her life in a tragic fire that destroyed their home in May 1979.

Children of Thurl Eugene Jared & Sara Martha Medley are:

Mark Douglas Jared born 12 March 1956, Davidson Co., TN. He was an exchange student in Greece.
Amy Laura Jared born 15 March 1959. Student at Memphis State College.

Roy Alton Jared born 12 February 1937, Detroit, MI to Cordell D. and Sallie MaeNell (Jared) Jared married 15 February 1957 to **Betty Bowman** born 17 October 1937 to Howell and Ruby Bowman.

Children of Roy Alton Jared & Betty Bowman are:

Roy Alton Jared born 4 January 1959, Lincoln Park, MI married 3 May 1980 **Janice Templeton**.
Cynthia Lee Jared born 13 November 1962, Milwaukee, WI married **Steve York**.

Henry Mason Jared born 17 July 1885, Smith Co., TN to **Albert Sidney and Sarah (Watts) Jared** died 12 December (10 Oct) 1941 of cancer. Married 26 January 1905 to **Mary Etta Belle McBroom** born 16 October 1890 Putnam Co., TN, d/o **Jefferson and Elvira (Campbell) McBroom**. Belle died of cancer 28 February 1966. She is buried in the Jared Cemetery, Bryant Ridge, TN.

Children of Henry Mason Jared & Mary Etta Belle McBroom are:

Bertha Douglas Jared – b. 1 May 1909 md Floyd Wade
Sallie MaeNell Jared – b. 6 February 1911 md **Cordell Jared**
Vira Estelle Jared – b. 30 September 1913 md John William Allen
Bessie Lee Jared – b. 12 November 1915 md Benton Patton
Albert Jefferson Jared – b. 4 May 1918 md Odell Haney
Bonnie Edra Jared – 25 August 1920 md James Wilson Brown
William Gordon Jared – b. 23 January 1925 md Christine Ragland
Mary Elizabeth Jared – b. 31 December 1926 md 1st Clyde D. Smith and md 2nd Williams Henry Ballinger and md 3rd Lenert Claxton Owen
Charles Thomas Jared – b. 15 March 1929 md Betty Graham
Martha Fern Jared – b. 26 June 1931 md 1st Clarence Erlson and md 2nd Max Vaughn
Marvin Kenneth Jared – b. 20 December 1922 md 1st Emma Lee and md 2nd Lorene Oakwood

Source: Herald Citizen Newspaper: 24 August 1970

Keith Bilbrey, a radio announcer for WHUB and a recent graduate of Putnam County Sr. High, was in Daytona, Fla. in June celebrating his graduation. While floating on an air mattress, his new senior ring slipped off his finger and sank into the surf. He couldn't find it.

This week, he heard from the man who did. Norman Hookaway, a Florida mail carrier, was on vacation in Daytona when he spotted something shiny in the sand at low tide. It was a graduation ring. He set out to find the owner, and in his research, discovered that there are nine Putnam Counties in the United States.

He contacted the company which made the ring and described the Cavalier figure engraved on its face. The company was able to pinpoint Putnam County, Tennessee as the place such a ring was sold.

Hookaway then reached James Norwood, principal of Putnam County Sr. High. Given the initials on the ring, Norwood was able to put Hookaway in touch with Bilbrey. This week the young man is pictured on page one wearing his graduation ring again. (Aug. 24, 1970)

Note:

John Carr wrote a thesis on **WHUB Radio Station** while John was a graduate student at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Copy in the Knoxville Library in TN.

John Carr did his undergraduate work at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN and he was on the WHUB radio staff in the early 1950's.

You can view the thesis written by John Carr on the WHUB radio station from its beginnings at:

<http://www.ajlambert.com/history.htm>

WHUB is about to unleash "a rampage of roaring adventure" on its radio listeners. The Cisco Kid, that popular Western serial hero of the air waved and the Silver Screen, is coming to Cookeville's radio station. The show can be heard Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:30 p.m. Don't touch that dial. (Jan. 7, 1951, Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN)

Pauline (Maddux) Medley Obituary
Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN
7 May 1999



COOKEVILLE – Pauline Maddux Medley, 92, a life long resident of Putnam County, died on Thursday, May 6, 1999. She was the widow of former Cookeville mayor and Putnam County judge Luke Medley.

Mrs. Medley was born and grew up in Buffalo Valley where her father was a farmer and a merchant. She married Luke Medley in 1928 and for 70 years supported her husband in his public service and his business activities, which included establishment of pioneer radio broadcast station WHUB and later WHUB-FM.

Mrs. Medley was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Her family includes three sons and daughters-in-law, Martin and Laura Medley, Mike and Carolyn Medley, and Don and Judy Medley; 10 grandchildren, Lucy McCain, Molly Gleason, Emily Chirstensen, Mark and Amy Jared, Catherine Hunter, Donald Richard Jr., Michael Jr., Sara and Martin Luke Medley II; and six great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and her parents, Charles Burton and Martha Jones Maddux, she was also preceded in death by a daughter, Sara Medley Jared; three sister, Edith Neal, Ruby Royce Jared and Mary Alice Young; and two brothers, Charles and Compton Maddux.



TTU scholarship
Endowment honors Luke and Pauline Medley
Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN
24 May 1998

TTU- He is one of the most influential figures in the history and growth of Cookeville and Putnam County. She has always been by his side, supporting his efforts and raising their family.

Now Luke Medley, a long-time leader in local government, industry recruitment and public service, along with his wife, Pauline, will influence a whole new generation of Putnam Countians and many more yet to come.

A scholarship recently established at Tennessee Tech in their names help fund the college goals of selected students here. The Luke and Pauline Medley Scholarship Endowment will provide an annual scholarship for a Putnam County high school graduate every year beginning next year.

“The Medleys have conveyed a love for our community and for humankind, and they have demonstrated that dedication throughout their lives,” said TTU President Angelo Volpe. “They have always been devoted to the betterment of Putnam County, and this scholarship is a lasting recognition of their devotion.”

From helping bring electricity to the rural communities in the 1930’s to serving the Chamber of Commerce and Upper Cumberland Development, Luke Medley has always been a visionary with a lifelong philosophy of public service.

Founder of WHUB, one of the CBS’ first small-market radio affiliates and the first station to serve the Upper Cumberland, Medley also served 16 years as Putnam County judge (a position that preceded that of county executive), two-terms as Cookeville mayor and as a justice of the peace (now county commissioner).

His advocacy and influence is partly responsible for some of the defining characteristics of the county – the early construction of Cookeville Regional Medical Center, the Putnam County Library, the Cookeville Municipal Building and the County Fairgrounds.

He also helped ensure an adequate water supply for Cookeville and for much of rural Putnam County through a system of utility districts and his representation on the five- member governor’s committee to route Tennessee’s interstate highway system guaranteed Upper Cumberland’s access to I-40.

Medley also has had an on going commitment to excellence in education, reflected by his role in the country’s school consolidation and improvement plan.

Through all of his service and accomplishments, Medley remained a devoted family man; he and Pauline celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary last month. The scholarship was created by their family to honor their lifelong dedication to each other and to the betterment of society and civilization.

Recipients of the Medley Scholarship will receive an award to cover the cost of their first-year maintenance fees at Tennessee Tech and funding for work study. To qualify for the scholarship, a student must be a graduate of any Putnam County high school with a minimum of 3.0 grad point average.

Recipients will be required to participate in a pair work-study opportunity on campus during the academic year. One scholarship will be awarded each year.

The first Medley Scholarship will go to an entering freshman beginning in the 1999 school year. Students interested in applying for the scholarship should contact the Tennessee Tech Admissions Office at 372-3888.

For more information on the Luke and Pauline Medley Scholarship Endowment or to find out how to contribute to the scholarship fund, call Tennessee Tech’s Office of University Advancements at (931) 372-3206.

Ruby Royce (Maddux) Jared Obt.
Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN
11 December 1993

BUFFALO VALLEY – Funeral services for Ruby Royce Jared, 84, of Buffalo Valley were held today, September 13, at 11 a.m. in the Baxter Chapel of Hooper and Huddleston Funeral Home. Burial was in the Jared Family Cemetery.

Mrs. Jared died Saturday, September 11, 1993, in Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville.

Daughter of the late Charlie and Martha Jones Maddux, she was born December 17, 1908, in Putnam County.

Mrs. Jared was a homemaker.

Her family includes two sons, Joe Houston Jared of Buffalo Valley and David Morgan Jared of North Little Rock, Arkansas; one sister, Pauline Medley of Cookeville; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Houston Campbell Jared, two brothers, Compton and Charlie “Mac” Maddux, and two sisters, Edith Neal and Mary Young.

Bro. Derrick Young and Bro. Dwight Henry officiated at the services.

Cornell – Medley

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN

16 April 2000



Mr. & Mrs. Cornel of Knoxville announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Michelle Cornell, to Paul Michael Medley Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Michael Medley of Cookeville.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. William Grecco of Knoxville and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Westley Cornell. She was graduated from Bearden High School and the University of Tennessee-Knoxville with a bachelor of science degree in retail/consumer science.

She is currently employed by Proffitt's in Nashville.

The future groom is the grandson of the late Judge and Mrs. Luke Medley and the late Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Cantrell. He is a graduate of the McCallie School in Chattanooga and the University of Tennessee, with a bachelor of science degree in electrical and computer engineering. He was a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity while at the University of Tennessee. He is now a project manager with Slingshot Networks, a subsidiary of Anschutz Corporation, in Nashville.

The wedding is planned for May 27 at Farragut Presbyterian Church in Knoxville.

Bilbrey – Medley

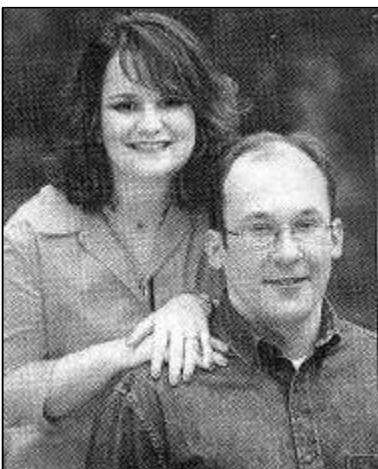
13 April 2003, Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN

Reva Bilbrey and Mr. and Mrs. Don Medley, all of Cookeville, announce the engagement of their children, Regina Monette Bilbrey of Hermitage and Donald Richard Medley Jr. of Old Hickory.

The bride-to-be is also the daughter of the late James Kenneth Bilbrey. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bilbrey and late Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Huddleston.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Eva McReynolds, the late Walter McReynolds and the late Mr. and Mrs. Luke Medley.

Both are 1988 graduates of Cookeville High School. They also both graduated from Tennessee Tech University, she with a bachelor of science degree in music therapy in 1993 and he with a bachelor of science degree in journalism in 1995.



JUNE 21 WEDDING VOWS UNITE

Regina Bilbrey, Richard Medley
13 July 2003, Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN



Regina Monette Bilbrey became the bride of Donald Richard Medley Jr. on June 21 during a 3 p.m. ceremony at First Presbyterian Church in Cookeville with minister Paul Wilmoth officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Reva Bilbrey of Cookeville and the late James Kenneth Bilbrey.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Medley of Cookeville.

For the special occasion, the church was decorated with two large floral arrangements on each side of the altar, featuring flush roses and greenery.

Music was provided by vocalist Amanda Stephens, niece of the bride, and organist/pianist Joy Rachor. Special selections included "The Gift of Love," by Hopson, "Ave Maria" by Schubert and "Moon River" by Mancini.

The bride, presented in marriage by her brothers-in-law Kenneth Stephens of Crossville and Michael Reynolds of Knoxville, wore a two-piece, strapless white matte satin gown with a fitted bodice and sweep train. The fabric was gathered into pleats across the bodice to the waist.

On her head, she wore a fingertip veil adorned with white seed pearls that hung from a headband with white pearls. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of open white roses with asparagus fern.

Attending as her matron of honor was her friend Lori Corley of Nashville.

Bridesmaids were her friends Audra Buck of Birmingham, AL, Melissa Amaral of Alamosa, CO, and Julie Galloway of Cookeville.

The attendants two-piece, strapless gowns were of iridescent taffeta with long, straight lavender skirts and soft plaid bodices in the colors of lavender, champagne, sage green and silver. Their bouquets consisted of hand-tied lavender hydrangea blossoms and silver ribbon.

The groom's best man was his father. The groomsmen were his friends Sam Crouch of Nashville, William Null of Cookeville and Scott Ward of Livingston and his cousin Michael Medley of Cookeville.

The bride's mother wore a two-piece soft rose sheath with a jacket. The groom's mother wore a soft aqua silk suit.

After the wedding, a reception was given by the bride's family in the fellowship hall of the church.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico, and now reside in Old Hickory, TN.



Bridal Tea
9 May 2003, Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN

Gathering on April 27th at Northeast Church of Christ for a bridal tea honoring Regina Bilbrey, bride-elect of Richard Medley, are, from left, Judy Medley, mother of the future groom; the honoree, Bilbrey; and Reva Bilbrey, mother of the honoree. Bilbrey will marry Medley on June 21 at First Presbyterian Church.

COOKEVILLE NATIVE HONORED FOR PHILADELPHIA ARTS EFFORT

Mary Jo Denton
Herald-Citizen Staff

WASHINGTON -- A Cookeville native was honored at the White House last week for her work at a Philadelphia museum.

Amy Jared, who grew up in Cookeville, the daughter of **Eugene Jared** and the late **Sara Medley Jared**, accepted the 2005 "Coming Up Taller" award at ceremonies in the East Room of the White House on Jan. 25. First Lady Laura Bush presented the award.

Amy Jared, until recently when she took another job, was manager of Community Outreach programs at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

She was honored for The Latino Outreach Program in which the museum partnered with several Latino community organizations in Philadelphia to "foster the artistic and humanistic development of Latino youth," according to a White House news release.

The program was one of 17 outstanding youth arts and humanities programs to receive the "Coming Up Taller" award, which recognizes "outstanding community arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people and provide them with new learning opportunities and opportunities to contribute to their communities," the White House news release said.

Jared's program of outreach at the museum was awarded \$10,000 in recognition of its achievements.

"As a former public school teacher, I have a firsthand understanding of what young people can accomplish when they truly strive to realize their dreams," said Laura Bush.

She is the honorary chair of the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities.

For the past 18 years, Amy Jared, serving as manager of community outreach in the Philadelphia Museum of Art's Division of Education, designed and taught in various collaborative programs with the city's growing Latino community.

The programs were recognized for building pride in community, teaching children about their rich cultural heritage, and encouraging learning in arts and humanities.

The programs featured bilingual arts classes after school, on weekends and in summers for children of all ages.

Among other outstanding features of Jared's work was the Summer Film Program for teens, allowing them to explore the Museum's collections, to compose storyboards and scripts, and to direct, film, animate and edit individual and group productions.

Last August, Jared resigned from the Philadelphia Museum of Art to pursue another of her great passions, teaching visual arts to young children. She is now the art specialist at the Russell Byers Charter School in Philadelphia, working to develop curriculum and to teach elementary students.

Jared holds a BA degree in art from Rhodes College, Memphis, and a Masters in art education from the University of the Arts, Philadelphia. She also studied Chinese art through Rhodes College, Greek art and architecture through Washington and Lee University in Virginia, and Spanish art through the University of Madrid.

Jared is the granddaughter of the late Judge and Mrs. Luke Medley of Cookeville and the late Mr. and Mrs. Cordell Jared of Baxter.

Published February 02, 2006 12:53 PM CST: Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN

Harry Lee Woosley II Obt.

Harry Lee Woosley II, 47, died Thursday at his Shelbyville home after several weeks illness. He suffered an apparent heart attack.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Willow Mount Cemetery, with the Rev. Fenton Warren officiating. The family will receive friends and relatives beginning 4 p.m. today at the Woosley home at 412 Deery St.

The Bedford County native was a veteran of World War II, a member of First United Methodist Church and a graduate of Webb School who later attended Georgia Tech. He was a retired industrialist, a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and past president of Riverbend Country club and the Shelbyville Rotary Club. His parents were Mrs. Lula Lewis Woosley of Shelbyville and the late William Bryant Woosley.

Survivors in addition to his mother are **his wife, Mrs. Lucy Lowe Woosley**, one daughter, Laura Loring Woosley; **two sons, Harry Lee Woosley III and Thomas Andrew Woosley**; and one brother, William Bryant Wooley, Jr., all of Shelbyville.

Shelbyville Times Gazette, Shelbyville, TN: Friday, 16 April 1982.

Note: Lucy Cummings Lowe, (d/o Flossie Neal Jared & Morrison L. Lowe Sr.) md Harry Lee Woosley II. Flossie Neal Jared, d/o Joseph "Joe" Haywood Jared & Laura Neil Shields. Lucy Lowe Woosley's siblings are Morrison Lowe Jr. & Laura Shields Lowe. Laura Shields Lowe md Martin Luke Medley, s/o Luke Medley & Pauline Maddux. Lucy and Laura were twins.

Frank Harrison Young Obt.

Funeral services for Frank Harrison Young, 80, will be held in the chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Funeral Home tomorrow at 11:00 with the Rev. Larry Self officiating. Burial will be in the Macedonia Cemetery in Smith Co.

Mr. Young was do a at Cookeville General Hospital on Monday, May 13, 1985.

A native of Tennessee he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam young.

Mr. Young was a retired salesman.

His family includes 3 sons, Charles, Kenneth, and Frank Gerald Young all of Cookeville; 3 daughters, Mrs. John Edward Gross (Marie), and Mrs. Donald (Shirley) Gross both of Chestnut Mound, and Carolyn Young of Baxter; 14 grandchildren , 8 great grandchildren; 2 brothers, Hayden Young of Jaken, GA, and Hubert Young of Blam, FL, and a sister Lucy Bennett of Balm.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home after 6:00 today.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 14 May 1985.

Mary Alice (Maddux) Young Obt.

COOKEVILLE - Funeral services for Mary Alice Young, 90, of Baxter will be held Saturday, May 8, at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Dyer Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Maddux Cemetery.

Mrs. Young died Thursday, May 6, 1993, in Jackson County Hospital.

A native of Putnam County born November 6, 1902, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Martha D. Jones Maddux.

Mrs. Maddux was a housewife.

Her family includes three daughters, Marie Gross and Shirely Simino, both of Chestnut Mound, and Carolyn Young of Baxter; three sons, Frank Gerald, Kenneth C. and Charles L. Young, all of Cookeville; two sisters, Pauline Medley of Cookeville and Ruby Jared of Buffalo Valley; 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Frank H. Young.

The family is receiving friends today at the funeral home.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: 7 May 1993.



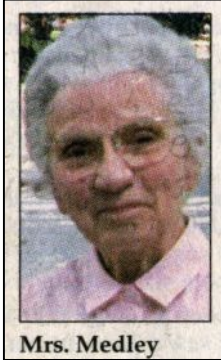
Cookeville native Amy Jared, second from left, was honored last week at a White House ceremony for her work at a Philadelphia museum. From left are presenter Mary Chute, Jared, Elisa Rivera and Laura Bush.

Mozelle (Spain) Medley Obt.

b. 10 October 1909, Kosciusko, MS – d. 23 June 2003, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md **Ralph Pedigo Medley**, b. 20 December 1902, TN – d. 23 December 1951, TN, s/o **Zina A. Medley & Sara Sophronia Judd**. Mozelle (Spain) Medley, d/o **Sidney Johnston Spain & Texanna Temple**.

*See Ralph Pedigo Medley Obt.

COOKEVILLE -- Funeral services for Mozelle Spain Medley, 93, of Cookeville, will be held Friday, June 27, at 11 a.m. at the Cookeville First Presbyterian Church.



Mrs. Medley

Burial will be in Cookeville City Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at Hopper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home tomorrow (Thursday, June 26) from 5-8 p.m. and at the church on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of services.

Mrs. Medley died Monday, June 23, 2003, at NHC Healthcare in Cookeville.

Born in Kosciusko, Miss., on Oct. 10, 1909, she was the daughter of the late Sidney Johnston and Texanna Temple Spain.

Mrs. Medley graduated from Kosciusko High School in 1927; attended Sophie Newcomb/Tulane University, Mississippi State College for Women and Hillman College (which became Mississippi College) and received a BS degree from Tennessee Tech University in Education/Curriculum and Instruction in 1950 and an MA from the George Peabody College for Teachers/Vanderbilt University.

She was a member of the Tennessee Tech Faculty Women's Club and **Old Walton Road Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution**.

Mrs. Medley was also a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma, Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, Friends of the Depot, Depot Board of Directors and Tennessee Tech Community Symphony Guild.

She was involved with home-delivered meals, the Cookeville Regional Hospital Auxiliary/Pink Lady, the Study Club and was an elder at the First Presbyterian Church.

She received the 1997 Patron Award for the Cookeville Arts Council and was named outstanding contributor to the arts in Cookeville.

She taught fourth grade at the Tech Campus School for 21 years, was a part-time instructor at TTU and was the director of Title III, ESEA and the Upper Cumberland Reading Project for three years.

She was on the TTU Education Foundation Board, a member of the Cookeville Tomorrow Project/Education Group, Tennessee Tech Emeriti Faculty Association, Tennessee Retired Teachers Association, American Association of University Women and the Tech Garden Club.

Her family includes a daughter and son-in-law, Alice and Dr. James L. Snelgrove of Naperville, Ill.; a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Adron and Sara Medley of Helena, Mont.; a sister, Lucille Spain Turner, of Kosciusko, Miss.; seven grandchildren, Mark Adron Medley, Lee Emmett Medley, Bryce Matthew Medley, Sara Leigh Medley, Shane Adron Medley, Anne Caroline Snelgrove and Dr. Sarah Margaret Snelgrove; and three great-grandchildren, Emily, Lia and Emma Medley.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Pedigo Medley, whom she married in Kosciusko, Miss., on April 8, 1934; a sister, Christine Spain Emerson, and a brother, Alfred Otto Spain.

Pallbearers will be Mike, Martin, Don, Shane and Michael Medley and Jim Snelgrove.

Honorary pallbearers will be Tennessee Tech emeriti faculty, members of the Putnam County Retired Teachers Association, the staff of NHC Healthcare of Cookeville, former 4th-grade students at Tech Campus School and elders of the First Presbyterian Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tennessee Tech College of Education Foundation, P.O. Box 5047, Cookeville, TN 38505.

The Rev. G. David Campbell and the Rev. Ernest Robertson will conduct Friday's services.

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Ralph Pedigo Medley Obt.

Funeral rites for Ralph Pedigo Medley, 49, who died Sunday morning of a heart attack a few hours after arriving at a Madison, Tennessee hospital were conducted at 2 p.m., Tuesday afternoon at the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Charles Newton Sharpe officiating. Burial was in the City Cemetery.

A retired merchant, he was the son of Mrs. Sarah Judd Medley and the late Z. A. Medley of Buffalo Valley. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors in addition to his mother, include his wife, Mrs. Maurine Spain Medley; a daughter, Alice Temple Medley, a son, Ralph Adrin Medley; and two brothers, Judge Luke Medley of Cookeville and Beverley Medley of Washington D. C.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 27 December 1951.

Sara Sophronia (Judd) Medley Obt.

b. 22 February 1880, TN – d. 31 May 1964, TN. She married Zina A. Medley, b. 16 July 1880 – d. 17 March 1951, both buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sara Sophronia Medley, 84, were held today at the Buffalo Valley Presbyterian Church with Dr. Charles N. Sharpe and the Rev. Bill Janes officiating.

Mrs. Medley, a retired homemaker, of Buffalo Valley, Rt. 1 died Sunday May 31, 1964, at the Cookeville Hospital where she was taken last Wednesday following an extended illness. She was the mother of Cookeville Mayor Luke Medley.

A native of Putnam County, she was the daughter of Francis Marion Judd and Ascenath Judd and a member of the Buffalo Valley, U. S. A. Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by two sons, Luke of Cookeville and Beverly M. of Nashville; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Anderson and Mrs. Ailene Judd, Silver Point and Mrs. Emma Harper of Dallas, TX.

Whitson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The Cookeville Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Tuesday, 2 June 1964.

Sara Martha (Medley) Jared

b. 17 October 1930 – d. 20 May 1979, Putnam Co., TN

Medical authorities confirmed late yesterday the identification of the body of Sara Martha Jared, found late Sunday in the ruins of her Brotherton Mountain home destroyed by fire early last Saturday.

Identification of the body was made by means of an existing spinal X-ray of Mrs. Jared and other studies made by University of Tennessee pathologist Dr. William, Bass and Putnam County Medial Examiner Dr. Robert West, sheriff's department officials said today.

No further determination on the cause of the fire has been made though investigation continues, officials said.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jared, 48, who was a teacher at Putnam Senior High here, are set for 11 a.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Cookeville City Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband Eugene Jared; one son, Mark Douglas Jared; one daughter, Amy Laura Jared; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Medley; and three brothers, Martin, Mike and Don Medley, all of Cookeville.

The Reverends G. David Campbell and Phillip Ritter will conduct the services.

Pallbearers will be Judge Leon Burns, Joe Thorne, L. A. Allen Jr., Jim Madewell, Hubert Bennett Jr., Harry Talkington, Bob Holloway and Jack Sallee.

Hooper & Huddleston Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, TN: 22 May 1979

WHUB REUNION SCHEDULED FOR JULY 20, 2008

COOKEVILLE: WHUB radio, which signed on the air July 20, 1940, is the heritage radio station of the Upper Cumberland. On that date WHUB became the first radio station between Nashville and Knoxville, and Cookeville became the smallest town in America with a radio station. Over the years it has maintained its status as a "local" radio station, serving the residents of Putnam County.

For the first time in the history of WHUB, a reunion is being planned for later this year. During the 67 years, some 200-300 have been employed by WHUB radio. This will not just be for former or current employees; it will also be for those who may have performed on the station or any avid listener who would like to attend.

There will be a limited number of seating for the event, so early reservations are encouraged.

The reunion will be held Saturday, July 19, beginning at noon in the Willow Avenue Church of Christ Multipurpose Room. A catered lunch will be provided by Chartwells of Cookeville. The cost of the meal will be \$10 per person, and reservation deadline is July 1.

For more information contact Mike Dyer at 265-7435.

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: Monday, 16 June 2008, pg. 6.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN:
25 August 1949

Medley to Address Georgia Broadcasters:

M. L. Medley, President of Radio Station WHUB, Cookeville, has been invited to address the forthcoming convention of the Georgia Association of Broadcasters. The Association, composed of most of the radio stations in Georgia, meets at St. Simons Island, GA, the latter part of August.

In extending the invitation, the Georgia group recognized Medley as a pioneer in the small-market phase of radio. When WHUB began broadcasting over nine years ago, Cookeville was one of the smallest cities in the country to have its own radio station.

The rapid progress and success of WHUB has served to encourage the establishment of stations in other small cities in Tennessee. The number of stations in the state has grown from 17 at the time WHUB began operations to a present total of fifty-one.

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN:

10 May 1951

WHUB BROADCAST OVER 70 STATIONS:

A program of the Children's Gospel Hour originating for Livingston, through the facilities of WHUB, will be broadcast May 12th over 63 stations in the United States and by short-wave around the world from 7 stations in South America and the Philippines. Hear it over WHUB at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Each week this network of stations broadcasts the Children's Gospel Hour to the boys and girls of our land and to children overseas. This program began 5 ½ years ago at the initiation of WHUB, and through the cooperation and encouragement of the children and citizens of this area, the program was sustained and developed.

There are over 30,000,000 boys and girls of America not in Sunday School and it is the hope of the directors to reach many of this number by radio. Listen each Saturday at 4:30 to hear boys and girls from different parts of our country, and as you listen, pray that God will bless the message to every listener.

Arvis Ray "Art" Johnson Obt.

b. 10 April 1946, Overton Co., TN – d. 28 May 2016, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 4th of October 1972, Overton Co., TN to Charlene (Bilbrey) Johnson, b. 9 June 1956, Crossville, TN – d. 28 February 2007, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN, d/o **Joe Earley Bilbrey & Jewell Edwards**. Arvis Ray "Art" Johnson, s/o **Milburn E. Johnson** (1904-1956) & **Tina Kate Johnson** (1904-1974), both buried in Hunters Cove Cemetery, Overton Co., TN.

*See Charlene (Bilbrey) Johnson Obt.

(**Source:** Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 435, #9033: Arvis Ray Johnson married 4 October 1972, Overton Co., TN, age 26, address: Rt. 7, Cookeville, TN to Charlene Bilbrey, age 16, address: Rt. 3, Monterey, TN, name of parent, guardian or next of kin of female: Jewell Bilbrey).

COOKEVILLE — Funeral services for Mr. Arvis Ray "Art" Johnson, 70, of Cookeville, will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 2, from the Cookeville chapel of Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home. Interment, with military honors, will follow at Cookeville City Cemetery.

The family will receive friends Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. today, Wednesday, June 1, and from 10 a.m. until time of services on Thursday at the funeral home.



Mr. Johnson passed away suddenly on Saturday, May 28, 2016, in Cookeville Regional Medical Center.

He was born April 10, 1946, in Overton County to the late Milburn and Tina Kate Johnson.

Mr. Johnson was a former member of the Tennessee Army National Guard.

He received his B.A. in biology from TTU in 1970. **He worked for WHUB radio, and later worked as a police officer with the Cookeville Police Department.**

Art graduated from Nashville School of Law in 1988. He then served as the Assistant Public Defender for the 13th Judicial District in Tennessee until retirement in 2009.

He is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Jamie Johnson and Elecia and Jeff Palk, all of Cookeville; a foster daughter and son-in-law, Angela and Terry Key of Celina; two brothers and sisters-in-law, R.L. and Jonetta Johnson of Livingston and Carvel and Bobbi Johnson of Akron, Ohio; four sisters and two brothers-in-law, Mary Jo and Hal Denton of Cookeville, Betty Lou Copeland of Rickman, Judy and Hoyt Padgett of Livingston and Wanda Schultz of New Castle, Calif.; two grandchildren, Ciri Palk and Bethany Key; and his dog, Brandy.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Charlene Bilbrey Johnson; and three brothers, Wilmoth, Joffrey, and Kioto Johnson.

Pallbearers will be family and friends.

Bill Gibson will officiate at the services.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cookeville/Putnam County Animal Shelter, 2650 Gainesboro Grade, Cookeville, TN 38501; or AARF, P.O. Box 4074, Cookeville, Tennessee 38502.

Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, (931) 526-6111.

You may share your thoughts and memories at www.hhhfunerals.com.

Herald Citizen Newspaper, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN: 1 June 2016

Stacey James Mott Obt.

b. 5 March 1925, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – d. 2 July 2016, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md **Betty Ann (Birdwell) Mott**. Stacey James Mott, s/o **John Robert Mott** (1872-1928) & **Mary Louisa Sullivan** (1883-1962).

*See John Robert Mott buried in Cookeville City Cemetery.

A celebration of life service for Stacey James Mott, 91, of Cookeville, will be held at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, July 10, at Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home. Mr. Mott's family will receive friends Saturday from 4-6 p.m. and again Sunday from noon until service time at the funeral home. Burial with military honors will be in Cookeville City Cemetery.



Born in Cookeville on March 5, 1925, Mr. Mott was the son of the late John Robert and Mary Louisa Caroline Sullivan Mott. He was a devoted member of the Church of Christ, from his youth at the Broad Street congregation through his treasured relationships at Colleside.

He served as a radioman in the Navy during World War II, and until recently was treasurer of the Putnam County Veterans Organization. He earned a degree in mathematics from Tennessee Tech, and studied statistics at the graduate level at the University of Kentucky.

Mr. Mott was a noted Tennessee broadcaster. He assisted Luke Medley and sons in building WHUB, the first radio station between Nashville and Knoxville. Beginning in high school as a part-time announcer, he ultimately served as general manager for 47 years. Mr. Mott was a past president, Lifetime Member, and Distinguished Service Award winner of the Tennessee Association of Broadcasters. He was inducted into the Tennessee Radio Hall of Fame.

He was a past president and Paul Harris Fellow of the Rotary Club of Cookeville (Noonday). He was a past president of the Cookeville Jaycees.

His life was characterized by diligence and devotion to his family. He will be remembered for his wit, optimism, and compassion.

Mr. Mott was married for 60 years to Betty Ann Birdwell of Gainesboro and Cookeville. He was a father and mentor to sons Jim (Deb) of Rome, NY, and David (Lori) of Ames, IA, and daughters Betsy (Lee) Galliher of Bristol, TN, and Melinda (Stewart) Leftwich of Cookeville. An abundant source of joy were his eight grandchildren: Pearce Galliher, Sarah Galliher (Chris) Newton, David Leftwich, Libby Leftwich, Luke Leftwich, Aaron Mott, Katie Mott, and Matthew (Alejandra) Mott. Mr. Mott's grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

He also treasured his sister-in-law Cindy Birdwell (Jimmy) Ranieri of Dover, DE, brothers-in-law Jack (Betty) Birdwell of Nashville and the late Billy Hugh (Shirley) Birdwell, and his daughter-in-law Theresa Mott of Utica, NY.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister Willa (Jim) Roach, brother John (Jane), brother Oscar Lee, and half-brother Herman (Anna Lee).

Memorial contributions may be made to Happy Haven Children's Home, Collegesside Church of Christ Benevolence Fund, or a charity of your choice.

Hooper-Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements (931)526-6111. You may share your thoughts and memories at www.hhhfunerals.com

Herald-Citizen, Cookeville, TN: 5 July 2016

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