

June Birthdays

June 2 Leroy Albritton
Margie Lawrence
Buzz Young
June 4 Truda Milam
Danby Miller
Camille Vancil
June 5 Claudia Bacigalupo
June 6 Dale Grissom
June 7 Vicki Kinder
June 8 Mike Irwin
June 9 Melba Bailey
June 10 Cecilia Morales
June 11 Jean Saunders
Larry W. Fesmire
June 18 Earl Manning
June 20 Anita Thomsen

June Anniversaries

50 + years

Ellis & Peggy Haguewood

June 1, 1968

Billy & Marilyn Leavell

June 9, 1962

Bruce & Eloda Powell

June 19, 1954

Jerry & Dot Riggs

June 21, 1958

June Birthdays (Continued)

June 23 Don Kinder
June 27 Gordon Lawrence
June 28 Rodney Plunket
June 30 Mary Hilty

'Til the Storm Passes By

Today I am trying to complete this article and prepare a proof copy of our monthly newsletter, Matters of the Heart. As often happens, I am pushing the deadline. At 2:40 p.m., just as I was setting my hands on the keyboard to begin putting my thoughts on this page lightning struck a transformer nearby and all electrical power in the area failed. The lights went out and the computer went blank.

Of course, as you can guess, my first concern was for all my work. Had it been wiped out of the computer? Then my thoughts went to one of my favorite songs:

'Til the Storm Passes By

In the dark of the midnight I have oft hid my face,
While the storm howls above me, and there's no hiding place.
'Mid the crash of the thunder, precious Lord, hear my cry;
Keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.

Many times Satan whispered, "There is no need to try,
For there's no end to sorrow, there's no hope by and by."
But I know Thou art with me, and tomorrow I'll rise
Where the storms never darken the skies.

When the long night has ended and the storms come no more,
Let me stand in Thy presence on that bright peaceful shore.
In that land where the tempest never comes, Lord, may I
Dwell with Thee when the storm passes by.

'Til the storm passes over, 'Til the thunder sounds no more,
'Til the clouds roll forever from the sky,
Hold me fast; let me stand in the hollow of Thy hand.
Keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.

The storm did not destroy my work on the computer. However, it did remind me of the beautiful power of a storm and the peace that can be experienced by remembering that God is with me through all of life's storms...no matter what the form or nature of that storm. The next few minutes I spent listening to several musicians on Pandora singing their versions of "'Til the Storm Passes By". What a soothing time that was.

Don't you love to have powerful moments in your life when you are assured of the peace you have because you are God's child and He is in control? The words and music written by Mosie Lister in 1958 have reminded thousands of the peace in God's strength and love. No matter what your storm is, may you be experiencing God's peace through that troublesome time.

Matters of the Heart

Senior Adult Ministry

June, 2018

News for and about the Senior Members of the
Church of Christ at White Station

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

We have an opportunity to join others at a Red Birds' ballgame on Saturday, June 9. The cost of \$16, which includes a ticket to the game, baseball cap, hot dog and a soft drink, is the best bargain in town! Reserve your place with cash payment brought to the church office marked for Leon Sanderson no later than June 1. Meet at the CLC parking lot at 5:30 p.m. It is an evening that will make you feel young again.

May Birthday Bunch



Seven birthday kids gathered to share a good time with the Tuesday lunch group. If you have a June birthday, grab a box of chicken or some veggies at the deli and come celebrate in the CLC gym Tuesday, June 5, at 11 a.m.



You probably recognize these newly weds. They still look this happy even after years of marriage. If you ask, **Dave and Nancy Bland** may be willing to share some of their secrets to a long and happy marriage.

Nancy Shanklin
by Barbara Taylor with Angie, Laura, and Paul



Nancy Shanklin
70's church directory

Nancy has been a member of the Church of Christ all her life; first at the Antioch Church of Christ in Dresden and then at the Church of Christ at White Station.

Nancy Estelle Shobe Shanklin was born in 1928 on a farm between Dresden, Tennessee and Gleason, Tennessee. Her parents' first home was a log cabin with no electricity until she returned from college. She was the oldest of three children born to Roy and Bera Shobe and was named Nancy Estelle Shobe, after her maternal grandmother, Nancy Catherine Hatcher Tillman, and her paternal grandmother, Rosa Estelle Wilson Shobe. She was known as Estelle growing up (thus she is known as Estelle in the country and Nancy in the city). Her favorite experiences of early childhood were playing in the dirt and playing with sticks and penny dolls.

Nancy attended a one-room schoolhouse where Miss Annie Lee McGehee taught her. She completed grades 1 through 8 there and then attended Dresden High School grades 9 – 12.

Nancy's favorite subjects were science and math. She excelled there and was the Valedictorian of her High School class, graduating in 1946. Her future husband, J.C. Shanklin attended the same high school and graduated as Valedictorian of his class the following year. They began dating around the time Nancy graduated and everyone knew they would marry.

She attended the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and achieved a Bachelors degree in Chemistry. She wanted to be an analytical chemist since the 7th grade. She experimented on her brother by concocting "pop" for him, which he apparently enjoyed since he asked for seconds!

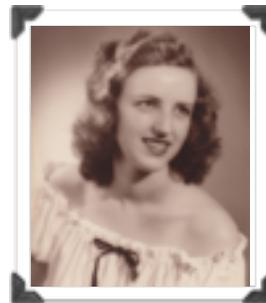
Nancy's first job was at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. There she supervised technicians involved in assaying uranium mine samples. After her marriage to J.C. in December of 1951, they moved to Auburn, Alabama, where he attended school at Auburn. Their first two children Gregory and Laura were born there and Nancy became a full time wife and mom. When J.C. completed his studies there, they moved to Memphis, where he had a residency at the Mount and Whittington Veterinary Clinic. After his residency, he started his own clinic, Shanklin Dog and Cat Clinic. Carole, David and Paul were born in Memphis during this time.

In 1958, White Station was fortunate to get Nancy and her family – they placed membership after they had been in Memphis a while and purchased a house on Kaye Road, within walking distance from the building. Nancy lived there for 58 years before moving to the Ave Maria Assisted Living in Bartlett in 2016.

After J.C. died in 1968, Nancy enrolled at Memphis State University (now University of Memphis) and achieved an MST (masters in science teaching) degree in 1971. She taught high school chemistry briefly as a student teacher, then quickly became the Director of Chemical Laboratories at Memphis State and continued there for 27 years. A lifelong learner, she continued her education, taking classes at night and eventually was a dissertation away from a doctoral degree. Content in her niche "teaching" in the lab instead of the classroom, Nancy helped countless students get through college chemistry in the 70s, 80s and most of the 90s. People who have passed through the chemistry lab at MSU have made such comments as "I would not have gotten through chemistry without Mrs. Shanklin" and "She was so very helpful to me."

At age 22, her eldest, Gregory was killed in an accident in June, 1975, right after graduating from MSU. Needless to say, the family was devastated once again, but Nancy continued on – trusting in God to take care of her family as she worked and studied, while encouraged by her family back in Dresden and her church family at White Station.

Nancy's remaining children have provided her with 9 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. Laura Shanklin Kleiman works as an occupational therapist in Mankato, Minnesota. Carole Shanklin is a concierge and resident assistant at an independent retirement community in Bartlett, Tn and lives there as well. David owns an HVAC company and lives in Memphis. Paul lives in Cordova and is a CFP (Certified Financial Planner) and an investment advisor with Sycamore Financial Advisors. He has also worked in radio for 26 years as a political satirist.



Age 18 wearing a blouse
she made.



Nancy holding picture of Carole
Shanklin holding picture of Merri
and Allison Hackett.

When asked "what are you proudest of and why?" Nancy responded, "all my kids; I think they turned out pretty good!"

Nancy is a homebody but did some traveling, mostly to visit various family members. These included trips to Bay City, Texas; Nuevo Laredo Mexico, Houston, San Antonio and Lansing, Michigan. One special trip was with some cousins to the Knoxville World's Fair in 1998.

Some of Nancy's special achievements: Valedictorian of High School class; Phi Kappa Phi college honor society; graduated from UT Knoxville with the Bachelors degree in Chemistry and an MST from MSU; received the Outstanding Environmental Health and Safety Award in 1998; and the Distinguished Service Award from MSU and countless other awards.

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Other interesting facts about Nancy: she had a top secret FBI clearance for the Oak Ridge job; she loves babies and children and worked in the nursery at church for many years. She is described as being "thrifty but exceptionally generous and charitable." She ran a very organized household and was constantly tackling DIY and new home improvement projects. After retiring from work, she was active in the Ladies Bible class, the monthly birthday luncheon and enjoyed the Monday and Thursday exercise classes – all at White Station. She is part of the Danny and Pam Martin small group from the Joint Heirs Class at White Station and enjoyed the periodic fellowship meals and devotionals for many years. She was a regular donor to the Families in Transition program of Agape Child and Family Services, recycling myriads of baby beds, car seats, and other baby items from the family. Her special interests are her grandchildren, gardening, sewing, crafts and ...calculus! And she never failed to make each of her children her famous German Chocolate cake for their birthdays every year!