



# Georgia Says Farewell to Former President Jimmy Carter

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# Former President Jimmy Carter Motorcade Passes Through Peach County

By Zoe Hammond  
News Editor

PEACH COUNTY, Ga. – It was a solemn afternoon in Peach County as former president Jimmy Carter's motorcade procession traveled through on Saturday, Jan. 4. One of the longest-lived U.S. executives, Carter died on Dec. 29 at the age of 100.

Residents in both Byron and Fort Valley lined the route to pay respects to the former president.

The motorcade started at the Phoebe Sumter Medical Center in Americus and then went to Jimmy Carter's childhood farm. Around 11:00 a.m. the motorcade left Plains, GA, and traveled through Butler and Reynolds in Taylor County and then through Fort Valley and Byron in Peach County.

After that, the motorcade took I-75 to I-475 into Bibb County and headed up I-75 into Monroe County on the way to Atlanta. Once they arrived in Atlanta, they stopped for a moment of silence by Gov. Brian Kemp, Lt. Gov. Burt Jones, Mayor of Atlanta Andre Dickens, members of the Georgia Legislature, and Georgia State Patrol Troopers around 3 p.m. The motorcade then traveled on to The Carter Center with an arrival ceremony at 3:45 p.m. which was followed by a 4 p.m. service.

Carter will lie in repose for mourners to come and pay their respects over the next few days before being taken to Maranatha Baptist Church in Plains for a private funeral service on Thursday, Jan. 9.



Photo Zoe Hammond

Former President Jimmy Carter's funeral hearse as it passes through Peach County.



Photos Zoe Hammond

Georgia State Patrol along with honorary motorcade escorted Jimmy Carter through Peach County as people gathered to bid farewell to Georgia's own president.



# Chairman Robert Dickey Commends EPD for Historic Updates to Water Withdrawal Permit Suspension Policy

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ATLANTA – State Representative Robert Dickey (R-Musella), chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs, applauds Governor Brian Kemp and the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) for announcing historic updates to the 2012 suspension of agricultural water withdrawal permits in portions of the Lower Flint and Chattahoochee River Basins.

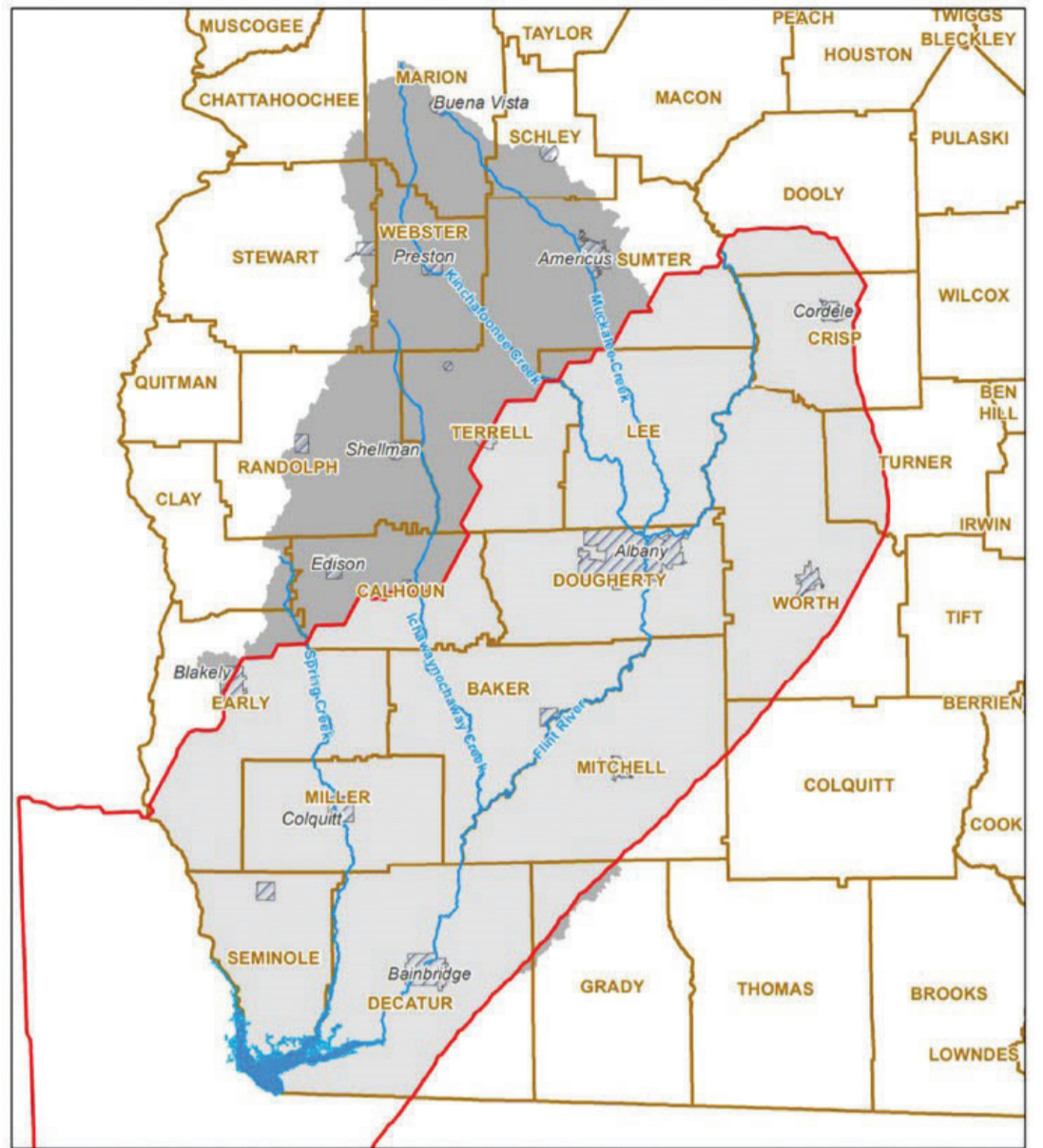
“This update represents a monumental achievement for Georgia agriculture and is a testament to the thoughtful, science-based approach taken by EPD to manage our state’s water resources,” said Chairman Dickey. “I want to thank the EPD for their careful and methodical approach. Farmers and agricultural leaders have been asking for this for years, and it will be transformative for our entire ag community, especially in rural Georgia where agriculture is not just an industry but a way of life. Georgia farmers are the backbone of our state’s economy, and this development strikes an important balance between protecting our

natural resources and supporting the needs of our agricultural industry. I commend Governor Brian Kemp and EPD for their dedication and leadership in making this progress possible.”

Starting April 1, 2025, the EPD will accept applications for groundwater withdrawal permits, which will include drought-related measures designed to protect the long-term sustainability of water resources essential to Georgia farmers and rural communities. Since the suspension in 2012, EPD has gathered data and began limited modifications in 2023, including permits for frost protection. These actions provided the foundation for EPD’s updates and reflect their focus on balancing water resource management with the needs of Georgia’s farmers.

More information about the modifications to the 2012 suspension may be found on EPD’s website here.

\*Editor’s note: a map detailing where surface water and groundwater will be suspended is attached.



## Starting the year with two new Captains



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The Fort Valley Police Department is pleased to announce the promotion of two of the finest officers into the executive level

of Captain!

We are excited to see and experience your leadership roles and look forward with continuing our commitment to the best

public safety services through best practices under the command of Captain Derrick Dunson and Captain Michael Bostic!

## Six-day celebration of Jimmy Carter starts with GA

By Dave Williams  
Bureau Chief

Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA - Former President Jimmy Carter’s contributions to his country will be remembered next week at a national funeral in Washington, D.C.

But on Saturday, it was Georgians’ turn to remember and honor their native son, as mourners lined streets and highways from Americus to Atlanta to say goodbye to the 39th president, who died Dec. 29 at age 100.

Saturday’s start to a six-day celebration of the life of Jimmy Carter was dedicated specifically to the leaders and staff of the Carter Center who will carry on the work he began there after his presidency in 1982.

Grandson Jason Carter, a former state senator and gubernatorial candidate now serving as the Carter Center’s board chair, thanked those staffers during a service Saturday afternoon at the center in Atlanta.

“Many of you have devoted decades to his legacy,” Jason Carter said. “Your expertise, your track record will continue to drive a world where people can partic-

ipate in free, fair, and credible elections, a world where the rule of law and human rights are respected and enjoyed, not just by some people but by everyone, a world where kids don’t go blind from preventable diseases.”

Earlier Saturday, the late president’s flag-draped casket was transported from Americus, the seat of his home county of Sumter, past his hometown of Plains and the farm in nearby Archery where he spent his boyhood along U.S. 280 and Interstate 75 north to Atlanta. The motorcade paused outside the Archery home, where a National Park Service ranger saluted Carter by ringing the historic farm bell 39 times in honor of the nation’s 39th president.

The motorcade also stopped outside the Georgia Capitol in downtown Atlanta, where Gov. Brian Kemp, Lt. Gov. Burt Jones, state House Speaker Jon Burns, Atlanta Mayor Andre Dickens, and other city and state dignitaries observed a moment of silence.

At the Carter Center, a military honor guard bore Carter’s casket inside while a military band played “Hail to the Chief” and “America the Beautiful” and the

Morehouse College Glee Club sang “The Lord’s Prayer.”

Chip Carter, the former president’s eldest son, was among the family members who traveled behind the hearse bearing Carter from Americus to Atlanta.

“There was a lot of love on the side of the road,” he said. “Every overpass had people on it. ... It gave you goosebumps just to sit in the van and see the reactions of the people of Georgia.”

Chip Carter, choking back tears, paid tribute not just to his father but to his mother, Rosalynn Carter, who died in November 2023 at the age of 96. The two were married for 77 years.

“He was an amazing man, and he was held up, propped up, and soothed by an amazing woman,” Chip Carter said. “And the two of them together changed the world.”

Carter’s remains will lie in repose at the Carter Center until Tuesday morning, when he will be flown to Washington, D.C., to lie in state inside the U.S. Capitol Rotunda until Thursday’s funeral at the National Cathedral. A private funeral service and burial will take place in Plains later that day

## Peach County Employee of the Year

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As 2024 comes to a close, Peach County Government was thrilled to congratulate Ryan Jones, Buildings Superintendent, as the Peach County Employee of the Year!

This incredible recognition comes after a month of nominations from fellow employees who believe that Mr. Jones truly exemplifies what it means to put the “Peach” in Peach County. Mr. Jones has shown unwavering dedication, a strong work ethic, and a commitment to making our community a better place for all.

Thank you for your hard work and outstanding contributions, Ryan! You have truly earned this honor and we are proud to have you as a part of our team.

Let’s all take a moment to celebrate this achievement and continue to support each other in making Peach County the best it can be!



EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



RYAN JONES

Buildings Superintendent

Thank you for your unwavering dedication, strong work ethic, and a commitment to making our community a better place for all.

## Sen. Ossoff’s Bill to Strengthen National Security at Robins AFB Becomes Law

By Office of Sen. Ossoff

Warner Robins, Ga. — For the second year in a row, U.S. Senator Jon Ossoff has passed legislation into law to upgrade national security facilities at Robins Air Force Base (AFB).

This week, Sen. Ossoff’s Robins Facilities Enhancement Act became law to authorize next steps of construction for the new Battle Management Complex at Robins AFB that will house secure communications networks and allow commanders to communicate with servicemembers in the field faster and more efficiently.

Sen. Ossoff’s Robins Facilities Enhancement Act passed Con-

gress as part of this year’s National Defense Authorization Act and was signed into law yesterday.

In January 2024, Sen. Ossoff passed into law his Robins Air Force Base Battle Management Enhancement Act through the FY24 National Defense Authorization Act, which authorized the first step in construction of the Battle Management Combined Operations Complex. Then this past April, Sen. Ossoff brought Republicans and Democrats together to deliver \$50 million for the new Battle Management Combined Operations Complex at Robins AFB.

“The team protecting our na-

tion at Robins Air Force Base needs continued support for their heroic efforts,” said Sen. Ossoff. “That is why I introduced and have now passed into law this legislation to continue upgrading facilities at Robins Air Force Base.”

Sen. Ossoff continues working to improve conditions and facilities for Georgia’s servicemembers.

In 2022, Sens. Ossoff and Reverend Raphael Warnock brought Senate Armed Services Committee Chair Jack Reed (D-RI) to Robins AFB to highlight the important role Robins AFB plays in U.S. national security.

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# Police Beat



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## Byron Arrests/Citations

Connor, Eric Lewis, 59, Macon, GA: DUI - Alcohol Less Safe, Failure To Maintain A Single Lane, Safety Belt Violation For 18 YOA And Older

Gonzalez, Valentin, 30, Bonaire, GA: Speeding In Excess Of Maximum Limits (State Speed And Zone Limits), Driving While Unlicensed

Jimenez-Salazar, Johan Miguel, 23, Macon, GA: Illegal Stop/Stand/Park Where Prohibited, Driving Without A License

Jones, Antarious Jarrod, 26, Fort Valley, GA: Driving With Suspended License

Juriel, Jaterrius Antwan, 33, Macon, Ga: DUI - Driving Under The Influence Of Alcohol, Theft By Taking - Felony, Receipt, Possession Or Transfer Of Firearm By Convicted Felon Or Felony First Offender, Violate Family Violence Order, Obstructing Or Hindering Law Enforcement Officers

Mccants, Ieisha Latavia, 35, Byron, GA: Simple Battery - Family Violence

Scott, Kimberly Lechan, 57, Byron, GA: Battery/Simple Battery - Family Violence, Cruelty To Children 3rd Degree, Interference With A 911 Call

Womack, Kobie R Shaun, 27, Baxley, GA: Reckless Driving, DUI / Alcohol / 0.08 Grams Or More 21 YOA Or Over, Failure To Maintain A Single Lane

## Fort Valley Arrests/Citations

Arzuaga, Jose Ramon, 43, Montezuma, GA: Disorderly Conduct, Public Drunkenness, Obstructing Or Hindering Law Enforcement Officers, Terroristic Threats And Acts

Dassau, Calvin Renod, 56, Fort Valley, GA: Improper Passing Of Emergency/Towing/Hwy Vehicle

Lewis, Jamica Kenyada, 26, Fort Valley, GA: Disorderly Conduct

Wooten, Falon Denae, 43, Fort Valley, GA: Probation Violation (When Probation Terms Are Altered) - Misdemeanor

## Peach County Sheriff's Office

### Arrests/Citations

Bailey, Maurice Jamel, 23, Warner Robins, GA: Simple Battery - Family Violence, Criminal Trespass

Dunlap, Kenneth Maurice, 33, Jackson, TN: Possession Of Firearm Or Knife During Commission Of Or Attempt To Commit Certain Felonies, Driving While License Suspended, Window Tint Violation Receipt, Possession Or Transfer Of Firearm By Convicted Felon Or Felony First Offender

Fuller, Jada Marie, 17, Warner Robins, GA: Possession Of Pistol Or Revolver By Person Under 18 Yoa - 1st Offense, Possession Of A Schedule II Controlled Substance, Trafficking In A Schedule 3, Possession Of Open Alcohol

Container

Gibson, Keambi, 31, Fort Valley:

Gordon, Britney Rene, 38, Byron, GA: Obstructing Or Hindering Persons Making Emergency Telephone Call, Contributing To Delinquency Of Minor, Battery - Family Violence

Jackson, Alexis Danielle, 39, Augusta, GA: Failure To Appear - Misdemeanor

Johnson, Braylon Andrew, 18, Knoxville, GA: Possession Of Pistol Or Revolver By Person Under 18 Yoa - 1st Offense, Possession Of A Schedule II Controlled Substance, Trafficking In A Schedule III Controlled Substance, Obscured Or Missing License Plate, Window Tint Violation

Mangham, Alex Marqueze, 43, Fort Valley, GA: Failure To Appear - Felony, Failure To Appear - Felony

Mcfarland, Dartanyon Jamal, 32, Stone Mountain, GA: Failure To Appear - Misdemeanor

Mcpeek, Paul Rodney, 71, Byron, GA: Criminal Trespass

Morgan, Travis Torrance, 48, Fort Valley, GA: Probation Violation (When Probation Terms Are Altered) - Felony

Porter, Christopher Bryan, 55, Fort Valley, GA: Obstructing Or Hindering Firefighters, Obstructing Or Hindering Law Enforcement Officers

Toroitich, Japhet Kibiwott, 24, Pullman, WA: Theft By Receiving Stolen Property- Felony

Walker, Gregdarius Markesie, 22, Warner Robins, GA: Possession Of A Schedule I Or II Controlled Substance With Intent To Distribute, Knowingly Driving Motor Vehicle On Suspended, Canceled, Or Revoked Registration

## GA State Patrol Perry Arrests

Gibson, Cullen Scott, 63, Saint Pete Beach, FL: Driving Under Influence Drugs/Alcohol, Speeding In Excess Of Maximum Limits (State Speed And Zone Limits)

Vicente, Francisco, 19, Tucker, GA: Failure To Yield Right Of Way To Emergency Veh, Expired Or No Drivers License, Speeding In Excess Of Maximum Limits (State Speed And Zone Limits), Driving Under The Influence

## Crawford County Sheriff's Office

### Arrests

Ferrell, Michael Dewayne, 46, Roberta, GA: Probation Violation (When Probation Terms Are Altered) - Felony

Parish, Mikel, 35, Macon, GA: Theft By Taking - Felony

# Peach County Community CALENDAR

email: news@theleadertribune.com



## TROJAN NATION TD CLUB

The time is drawing near when the 2024 football season starts. The Trojan Nation Touchdown Club is selling reserved parking for the upcoming season at a cost of \$125.00. This includes the four regular season home games plus any playoff game that we host. This offer is good as long as spaces are available. You can contact Nate Danielli at 478-957-1141 for more information.

## ATTENTION: VETERANS

Veterans who would like to get together for brotherhood, please meet for dinner at Mi Ranchito at 311-A Vineville St, Fort Valley, GA on 12 August 2023 at 6:30 p.m./1830. Please RSVP to Ernest Cooling by emailing ecooling79@gmail.com. If further information is needed, please call me at (478) 955-8850.

## FORT VALLEY DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - BOARD MEETING

The Fort Valley Downtown Development Authority meets 1st Tuesday every month at 6pm, located at Troutman House Conference Room, 201 Oakland Heights Parkway, Fort Valley, GA 31030. Visit our website for more information: <http://fortvalleymainstreet.org>

## FORT VALLEY HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The Fort Valley Historic Preservation Commission Board meeting is held on the second Mondays of the month at 6pm, located at the Troutman House 201 Oakland Heights Pkwy, Fort Valley, Ga 31030.

## PEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSIONS

The Peach County Board of Commissioners holds Work Sessions\* on the first Tuesday of each month at 5pm in Commission Chambers located at 213 Persons Street in Fort Valley.

Regular Meetings\* are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm in Commission Chambers located at 213 Persons Street in Fort Valley.

The Board also conducts Public Hearings to consider zoning requests at 6:30pm during regularly scheduled monthly meetings.

\*Scheduling may differ due to holidays and unforeseen circumstances. Prior notice will be given. Visit our website for more information: <https://www.peachcounty.net/board-of-commissioners.cfm>

## FT. VALLEY UTILITY COMMISSION

500 Anthoine St, Fort Valley. The Commission doors are open to customers from 8:00am - 5:00pm.

Public Work Session Meeting first Monday of every month at 4 p.m.

Regular Meeting every second Monday of each month at 6 p.m.

## KIWANIS CLUB OF FORT VALLEY

The Kiwanis Club of Fort Valley meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays every month, noon at Kay Center in Fort Valley. Kiwanis is a civic group focused on helping children, and community service. Each week, members and guests enjoy lunch and a guest speaker who addresses a topic of local, state and sometimes even

global interest. Come see what Kiwanis is all about and join one of America's oldest service organizations. See the Kiwanis Club of Fort Valley Facebook page for more information. (TFN)

## MEETING PEACH PUBLIC LIBRARIES BOARD OF TRUSTEES THOMAS PUBLIC LIBRARY, FORT VALLEY, GA

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Peach Public Libraries Board of Trustees meets the second Thursday of February, April, June, August, October, and December at 5:15pm in the Meeting Room at Thomas Public Library, Fort Valley, unless otherwise specified.

## MIDDLE GEORGIA ART ASSOCIATION

Call for Artists "Abstract" Exhibit Jan 17 - Feb 15

Deadline to enter, Tuesday, Jan 14, 5pm

Prospectus and entry forms are available on our website:

[www.middlegeorgiaart.org](http://www.middlegeorgiaart.org)

MGAA Gallery, 2330 Ingleside Ave., in Ingleside Village. Gallery Hrs: Tues-Fri 12-5pm. Sat 12-3pm.

478-744-9557 Email: [middlegeorgiaart@bellsouth.net](mailto:middlegeorgiaart@bellsouth.net) Free and open to the public! (TFN)

## 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER APPLICATION

The Child Development Center is accepting waitlist applications for the 2024-2025 school year. Parents with children 6 weeks to 4 years old can apply. To request an application email [childdevelopmentcenter@fvsu.edu](mailto:childdevelopmentcenter@fvsu.edu), or pick up an application at the Child Development Center located at 1101 Carver Dr, Fort Valley, GA, Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm.

This is a developmentally appropriate program. The Center is open to FVSU students, faculty, staff and the community. For more information call 478-825-6236 or 478-825-6234.

## PEACH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Meets 4th Tuesday each month at 6:00pm. If anyone has school annuals of the past the Historical Society would like to have them. Donations welcome. Contact: [Lrgiles77@gmail.com](mailto:Lrgiles77@gmail.com) (TFN)

## THE PEACH COUNTY RETIRED EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

The Peach County Retired Educators Association will meet on the first Monday of each month at 2pm. The meeting will be held at Trinity Baptist Church 507 State University Drive. For further info. please contact Dr. Quintin Green (478)951-1911. (TFN)

## FIRST STEP LEARNING CENTER EARLY HEAD START

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State University. (TFN)

## ADDICTION COUNSELING

Narconon can help you take steps to overcome addiction in your family. Call today for free screenings or referrals. 800-431-1754 (TFN)

## BYRON AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP

Byron Al-Anon meets on Monday mornings at 11 a.m. in the Old Byron School, next to the Byron Municipal Complex. Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Debbie Harrelson 478-714-9393 (TFN)

## THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS MIDDLE GEORGIA CHAPTER

We are a national nonprofit organization dedicated to helping bereaved parents by providing highly personal comfort, hope and support to every family experiencing the death of a child, a brother, sister or a grandchild and helping others to better assist the grieving family. We need not walk alone.

Byron meeting: 4th Thursday of every month. 7-9pm. Byron Baptist Church 100 W White Rd, Byron, Ga 21008.

NEW Macon meeting location for TCF: Rock Springs Church, 6601 Zebulon Rd, Macon, GA.

Please contact Chapter Leaders for more information: Karla Chidester - 478-954-4592, or Teresa Tompkins - 478-319-3526, or visit [www.compassionatefriends.org](http://www.compassionatefriends.org). (TFN)

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Narconon reminds families that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs is on the rise. Learn to recognize the signs of drug abuse and get your loved ones help if they are at risk. Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all types of drugs. Narconon also offers free screenings and referrals. 800-431-1754 or [Prescription-abuse.org](http://Prescription-abuse.org) (TFN)

## BYRON LIONS CLUB

The club meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month, the first Thursday of the month at Uncorked Event Center (behind Georgia Bobs) at 6:00PM, and the third Thursday of the month at 9:00 AM at Denny's. Anyone interested in participating is heartily invited to join us. For more information, please contact Lion Marlene Humphry at 478-918-3666, email at [mhumphry@cox.net](mailto:mhumphry@cox.net) (TFN)

## BYRON ROTARY CLUB

Meets every Wednesday at 8:00am at Denny's. (TFN)

## BYRON MAIN STREET DDA/CVB

Byron Main Street/DDA/CVB meetings are the 1st Mondays of each month at 5:00 p.m., at Denny's. The CVB meetings are usually held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Byron Welcome Center at 5:00p.m. (TFN)

## BYRON TAX OFFICE

Opened Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am-5:00pm. Closed 12-1:00pm at the Byron Municipal Complex. All official regular meetings are in the Council Chamber at the Byron Municipal Complex, 401 Main Street, Byron, Georgia. (TFN)



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## Goodbye 2024, Hello 2025



ZOE HAMMOND

### News Editor

Hello everyone! I hope you've all had a wonderful holiday season. It's been a busy time for me and my husband, that's for sure. Between spending time with immediate family and extended family as well as making time for our friends - it's been a busy holiday season, but I wouldn't trade it for anything.

2024 was a year with a lot of good and a lot of bad for myself and my partner. Though, I'm sure that was the case for many. I'm hoping 2025 is a year with a bit more peace and happy moments.

I will say this year is off to a somber start with former President Jimmy Carter's motorcade passing through this last Saturday afternoon. I was over by the Byron Baptist Church when it passed through Byron. There were hundreds of people lining the Highway 49 route through Byron, eager to pay their respects to the former president.

I was glad to be out there to show my support. I greatly admire Carter for his humanitarian work, especially all the good that the Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project for Habitat for Humanity did. They worked on that project for over 30 years and in that time they've worked alongside over 108,100 volunteers who have built, renovated, or repaired more than 4,447 homes in 14 countries.

Right now, I'm working to fill out my planner with all the yearly events and upcoming government meetings. While I don't have guarantees for all of these events this year, I am looking forward to the many

celebrations in Peach County. Masee Lane will soon be starting their Festival of Camellias in February. The Peach County Health Department's Spring into Good Health is always fun and a good way to learn about health.

The first Saturday in May we'll have the Battle of Byron and following that the Peach Festival will arrive in June. We of course have Nightmare on Main Street and Fort Valley's Halloween Festival. Following Thanksgiving, we'll have the Christmas in the Valley Lighting Ceremony, and in December we'll have the Christmas Parades.

There are some events that don't have set dates/weekends, but I am keeping my ear out for such as the Cup of Blue, Byron's BBQ Festival, the Peach Regional Chamber of Commerce's Celebration of Community Banquet, the Peach County Health Department's Stuff the Bus, and the Magnolia Garden Club's fundraising event.

There are also smaller events that I hope will continue this year like the Food Truck events that both Byron and Fort Valley have started incorporating. I've gotten some amazing meals at these events.

You may think it odd that I'm already planning for these events when it's only the first full week in January, but trust me, it'll sneak up on you before you know it!

Also, in case some haven't noticed our notice, all emails at The Leader Tribune now use the extension ".com" instead of ".net". So, my email is now editor@theleadertribune.com instead of editor@theleadertribune.net. Please be aware of this if you plan to email us anything!

Here's hoping everyone is getting back into the swing of things with 2025!

## Intermittent Fasting (IF) For Targeted Fat Loss



WADE YODER  
LT COLUMNIST

For those that are not familiar with the term, intermittent fasting is just going for intermittent periods of fasting with no food and working them into your lifestyle.

This can be either once a week or several times a week and usually lasts anywhere from 12-24 hours. This is an inexpensive way to drop weight (burn fat) over time without worrying about losing muscle tissue, or worrying about which fat burner or diet will work the best. Stored fat is like our survival pantry with cans of stored food, (they both supply us with calories when we are in need). So next time someone tries to con-

vince you to spend money to lose weight, remember that it's a little like paying someone to burn up the supply of food that you spent both time and money storing up in your pantry.

The way I do the intermittent fast (IF): after my last meal of the day, I simply go into the following day, extending the time of the first meal or snack. I do not break the fast (this is the meaning of breakfast) until either afternoon or early evening. This lowers the level of insulin produced which in turn will signal the release of calories from stored fat, to take the place of the ones we're not getting through our stomach.

A calorie deficit in our stomach will signal the release of stored calories (fat). And since there are around 3500 calories in a pound of fat, by dropping about 18-24 hours of normal food intake, your deficit can really cut into a pound of fat! I like to do this once a week but depending on the amount of fat you want to lose, you could do it up to 3 separate times a week without worrying about muscle loss.

Approximate amount of fat burned in a day: on average, a

person needs to add an extra zero to their bodyweight to get a minimum number of calories burned in a day's time, at rest.

For example: a 160 lb. person would need 1600 calories baseline, without figuring daily physical activity. So if a 160 lb. person skipped eating for 24 hours, they should burn at least a 1/2-pound of stored energy (fat).

The idea behind intermittent fasting: getting insulin levels low, (triggers the release of body fat as an energy source). When we take in sugary and starch-filled foods and snacks foods, our body recognizes a fuel entering the system that can be dangerous if left in the blood, so it releases insulin to not only help the body safely remove it from the blood and into our cells but to also turn off the fat burning process until its job is done. The presence of insulin in the blood simply shuts down the fat-burning process.

Stretching out the fat burning effect: an intake of proteins and fats (from meats, eggs, nuts, beans) along with dark colored vegetables work really well if you want to extend the fat burning effect but avoid going into

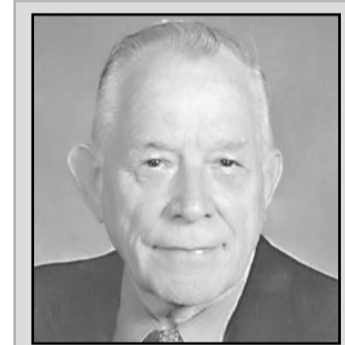
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Warning: if you go low calorie or complete calorie restriction for too long, your body will think it is starving and will accommodate the lower food intake by lowering your metabolism, (it does this by breaking down muscle for energy). Oftentimes when someone gets on appetite suppressants, they will stay low calorie for too long, causing the body to go into a catabolic state, (it does this to protect us during times of starvation). However, you can trick your body into continuing to burn fat, by having an in-between cheat meal and refueling the hungry muscle cells before once again diving back into a fat-burning calorie deficit!

Always remember, whether intermittent fasting or low calorie, simply cycling your calorie intake up and down with high and low energy output days is a good way to control your weight. In other words, "don't put racing fuel in a slow-moving vehicle!"

Drink plenty of water, as this is your only source of hydration during periods of fasting.

## Lowering The Temperature



DANIEL GATLYN  
MINISTER/COLUMNIST

The New Year has arrived right on time, with events from East to West characterizing the calendar. There is before us "news, blues, wars, crime, songs, and a blaring of notes to chill the will!" Flashing lights and a host of glamour and clamor. The

obituaries give notice of people no longer on the ledger, commentaries are spent on games, and the transition of national officers. A new year and new opportunities are before us as we move with tides of hype and drama. We have the option of "lowering the temperature surrounding emotions" once more returning to a sound base. There are both threats of war and a promise of peace! It seems fitting that the tempo of tempers and tantrums be reduced for an unpredictable tenure of involvement.

All hands could easily be reminded that human minds, spirits, and behavior are affect-

ed by what goes on throughout the periphery. We are "up and down" with the texture of lights, the sound of music, and the quality of commentary coming forth. Our attitude and altitude are predicated upon just where we reside, and our actions are commensurate with personal geographics, and ideology. The genre and complexities surrounding a daring act of terrorism in New Orleans is a prime example of where humanity dwells and the gravity of gruesome activity. We would do well to reduce the torrential thrusts of carnage inflicted in our direction especially as to the publication toward a global audience.

Much can be said about a closed forum, but there is a vast distance between formidable transparency and an ultra-restrictive narrative. The entire world does not need to know everything.

I have had more than a lion's share of military, ministry, missions, crisis, journalism, and leadership and have come to the knowledge that "toning down of conditions" can prevent a great measure of misery, crime, embarrassment, and redundant affairs. Lowering the temperature can cool tempers, and abridge an inordinate infamy.

## President Carter: A Life Dedicated To Giving His Best

Charlie Harper  
Guest Columnist

Former President Jimmy Carter died last week, but only after truly living for more than a century. He was a peanut farmer, a graduate of the Naval Academy, a nuclear engineer, a State Senator, Governor, and President. He was also a Sunday School teacher, humanitarian, poet, author, and holder of the Nobel Peace Prize.

He was a man with many titles, and the complexity that comes with so many life experiences that few will ever achieve. So few of us really understand them, despite knowing about them, reading about them, voting for or against them, and perhaps too often criticizing them.

As regular readers of this column are aware, I was honored and privileged to spend some quality time with the Carters and their close knit group of friends and family in Plains over a period of about 18 months, seven to eight years ago. At the time I was still very active in partisan politics as a Republican, both as a columnist and blogger as well as a campaign consultant.

My focus then, as it is now, was squarely on the state of Georgia. Politics and parties were changing rapidly at that time. I guess they always are, whether we realize it or not. I remain grateful for being granted multiple conversations to talk to and listen to someone who at that time had over nine decades of life experience, and had a role in the state getting to where it was and is. I also was keenly aware I was talking to one of the very few, and only one of a half dozen or so people living, who had for four years worn the weight of the world upon his shoulders.

There is no way to properly memorialize someone with a century of life experiences, much less President Carter's life experiences, in a confined space such as this. I'll instead try to leave you with a few things I learned about him during our time together.

First off, he's an intelligent man. That should go without saying, but those who judge politics based on hindsight and without the understanding of the vast responsibilities of at-

tempting to change the culture of Washington against the wishes of the permanent bureaucratic class, the opposition party, and the establishment of his own party.

In his first book, *Why Not The Best?*, he outlined his qualifications to be President. In the mid 1970's the American public nor the press corps had dumb-ed down national candidacies to "who would you like to have a beer with?". We demanded our brightest and best.

President Carter graduated 59th in his class of 820, a fact that he was justifiably proud. Yet it was a question from the Navy Admiral who was over the then developing nuclear program that framed that first book, and the rest of his life: "Why not the best?"

President Carter understood, and wanted us to understand, that no matter what we've accomplished, or no matter where we may have fallen short, we were still obligated to do our best.

Sometimes the results are great. Sometimes the subjective judgements are harsh. You can

always move forward with your head held high when you know you've given your best.

President Carter was kind, and his post-Presidency persona was quite folksy, but he still maintained military protocols. He channeled them into his acts of kindness and respect that could be the model for any chapter of the junior league.

While most of my visits to Plains were by invitation, I made a couple of unannounced visits to Maranatha Baptist Church for his Sunday School and the follow on service and sermon. On one of those visits, the "overflow room" was already filling up so gave up my seat and went to the back, where I found his niece Kim.

We continued talking while Miss Jan and Jill Stuckey worked to find seats for everyone not yet in the sanctuary. When it was time for Sunday School, all of the "overflow" guests had been wedged into pews.

President Carter made sure he visited the overflow room prior to giving his lessons. People

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## Letter to the Editor: The Light Has Gone Out Of Our Lives

Dear Editor,

On January 30th, 1948, the great Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, delivered the following solemn words: "Friends and Comrades, the light has gone out of our lives and there is darkness everywhere." The now famous speech originally given on the occasion of the death of Gandhi has been ringing in my ears ever since the news broke of the death of President Jimmy Carter.

To try to enumerate the accomplishments that make up the legacy of Carter is a vain task. It

is not just because his legacy is a sum greater than its individual parts, but it is because there is not enough paper in the world, no matter how many trees you might grow, cut down, and transfigure, that would provide the space necessary to list out the many ways in which lives have been touched and changed for the better because Carter walked this Earth.

Jimmy Carter was an ordinary man who achieved extraordinary things. But if the Scriptures tell us anything, it is that God often uses the imperfect to be the

vessels of His perfect plan. There is no universal or uniform way to remember men of great stature. They are many times just as much reviled by some as they are lauded by others. For myself, a young white 21st century Southerner, the greatness of Carter lies not just in his person but in his penumbra as well.

The overarching story of the South is one which is often clouded by the darkness brought about by our endless succession of peculiar institutions. There are times however when certain special Southerners shine

through to the surface to illuminate the whole of our region. For every John C. Calhoun, Jefferson Davis, and Strom Thurmond, there is a Henry Clay, Abraham Lincoln, and Terry Sanford. Jimmy Carter was one of those special Southerners.

The seeds of the progressive South were planted in Oglethorpe's Georgia. Ironically, it was one great Georgian many years later that would take that tradition and showcase the best that Southerners have to offer before the entire World.

Sincerely, Ryan Hamlin

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## Looking For Granddaddy



**BILLY POWELL**  
Parables to Ponder  
COLUMNIST

I grew up in a basketball town. Every young boy wanted to become a basketball player. When I was eight years old, Grandmother Powell carried me to my first basketball game. Later, when I made the basketball team and began to play for Perry High School, my grandmother and granddaddy usually walked to my home games. Often walking with them was my mother, as my daddy usually worked the night shift at Penn-Dixie Cement Plant. In 1953, I became a starter on Perry High's basketball team. The team won the third district championship and was headed to the state finals in Macon, Georgia.

My family didn't own a car and couldn't attend the out-of-town games. It turned out that a friend of my granddaddy offered him a ride to the championship games at Macon's City Auditorium. I was extremely proud to be competing in a state tournament, and it pleased

me to no end that granddaddy would be there to see me play.

To capture the state crown, our team had to win four games. Before each state tournament game, when the Perry team came on the floor for pre-game warm-ups, I scoured the stands until I located granddaddy. The Perry team won the first three games and advanced to the state finals. The night of the state championship game, the Macon City Auditorium—a 3500-seat structure—was so packed that I could not locate granddaddy in the stands.

My worst disappointment surfaced as I feared granddaddy didn't get a ride to the game. This was the biggest game of my life. I needed granddaddy there. I asked the team manager, Horace Evans, to see if he could locate my granddaddy. Minutes later when Horace returned and pointed to granddaddy's exact location among the Perry fans, a surge of joy and confidence swept through my body and I was ready for battle. The Perry team won that night, defeating a tremendously tall and talented Clarkston quintet, 63 to 57, in a hard-fought battle, and I scored 28 points...to granddaddy's delight. Such a wonderful memory it was!

Growing up in the same house with my grandparents, I could always go to my Granddaddy Powell for help with my homework. As a third grader, I recall having problems with word problems in a math as-

ignment that left me bamboozled. Granddaddy slowly and painstakingly explained to me how to comprehend and figure the word problems in my math book. Suddenly, 'a light turned on in my mind,' and I haven't encountered any comprehension issues since. As I grew to be a teenager, I could confide in my granddaddy my deepest thoughts and greatest desires, as well as bringing him my problems. Granddaddy couldn't solve all my problems, but after talking with him, I always came away feeling better. After granddaddy passed from this life, I would go outside on a starry night to look up at the heavens and talk to God. I knew that granddaddy was not coming back, but I asked God to let me see him again in the Hereafter.

Grandmother Powell was equally loved. She always kept tabs on my brother Dwayne and me in our backyard basketball games. Dwayne and I have waged many tight battles on that basketball court, and we both came away better players because of it. Because of grandmother's devotion to Dwayne and myself, we named the outdoor court the "Delia E. Powell Memorial Coliseum." Grandparents are special. Such was the case of Boaz and Ruth the great grandparents of King David. Both were in the lineage of Jesus (Matt 1: 5-6), the Savior of the world.

## Obituaries

### Eleanor "Sis" Mann Davidson

Eleanor Hamilton Mann "Sis" Davidson was born on January 19, 1931 in Port Gibson, Mississippi, and left this world early in the morning on January 5, 2025 in Fort Valley, Georgia. Her parents, Shelby Jefferies Mann and Eleanor Hamilton Mann, raised Miss Sis and her two brothers. Miss Sis loved spending time with her Aunt Joy, who owned a dress shop, and her Uncle Bart. She started college, only to meet the love of her life, a handsome airman, William Houser Davidson, Jr. of Fort Valley. They married on October 1, 1950, announcing it later to the surprise of everyone but Aunt Joy. During their marriage, they had an adventure in Newfoundland when "Mr. Bill" was stationed there.

They moved back to Fort Valley where they found friends and a wonderful community. In 1961, they were blessed with their son, William Houser "Billy" Davidson III, who grew up to be just as adventurous as his parents. Throughout their years together, Mr. Bill and Miss Sis were an iconic team—working together in the family businesses: Davidson Cattle Company, Miami Valley Fruit Farm, and Miami Valley Packing Company. Miss Sis served as secretary, but she was so much more. Her quick wit and twinkling eye made her a great partner to her husband and an asset to their businesses.

An exceptional wife and business partner, Miss Sis was also a wonderful little sister to Sonny Mann and big sister to Jimmy Mann, who followed her from Mississippi to Fort Valley, where he started his family. She was a



treasured friend to many who have gone before and many more who will miss her greatly.

In 1986, she took on her greatest and most challenging and rewarding role yet. She became "Nannan" to William Houser Davidson IV. He married the love of his life, Christy, and they have added three more to Nannan's "bunch"—Ava, Emma Claire, and Harper. In 1995, her role grew as Auburn Annabelle Davidson (Saulmon) was born. She and her husband Will added Fisher to round out those who love and call Sis Davidson "Nannan." Over the years she delighted the little ones with tea parties at the little table, swimming in the pool, trips to Homosassa, Florida, many books read, hiding together in the storms, and sharing special treats. Among her signature treats are ranch style oyster crackers, sausage balls, reindeer Christmas cookies, homemade cranberry sauce, and homemade ambrosia. These legendary recipes will be carried on and prepared in loving memory for many years and generations to come.

Miss Sis was a loving aunt—especially to Gary Mann, who predeceased her, Sarah Mann Bloodworth, and her son Hamilton Reid Bloodworth. They

enjoyed special times together throughout the years, and she was very proud of them all.

Over the years Miss Sis had great adventures—she loved fishing in the gulf and could hold her own with all the other "fishermen." Grouper was a favorite, and she loved being a part of filling the freezer for future fish fries. She loved all flowers and birds, and she enjoyed growing things and watching the birds outside her living room window. She became enamored with camellias and loved being a part of the Camellia Society.

Sis Davidson was a force to be reckoned with—she was strong, as the proved in the twentythree years after her husband passed and the eleven years after her son Billy passed on. To hear her laughter was a gift, and those lucky enough to have been enveloped by the joy of that laugh will be missing it greatly in the days and years to come.

If you'd like to remember Miss Sis, in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the American Heart Association [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org) in support of an organization that helped give her so many wonderful years with her husband.

Services will be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 11:00 AM at GracePointe Church, 570 Woolfolk Road in Fort Valley, with Rev. Billy Staggs officiating. Burial will follow in Oaklawn Cemetery. Rooks Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Thank you for being a part of celebrating Miss Sis and the light she was in our world. The light has dimmed, and she will be missed very much.

### New laws will affect elections, taxes, health care

By Dave Williams  
Bureau Chief

#### Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA - Most new laws the General Assembly enacted this year took effect in July.

But some significant legislation or portions of legislation lawmakers passed pertaining to elections, taxes, and health care don't become operative until New Year's Day.

The list includes Senate Bill 189, a controversial election reform measure the legislature's Republican majorities passed along party lines. While most of the 24-page bill took effect in

July, three of its provisions don't kick in until Jan. 1.

The most far-reaching of those provisions requires homeless Georgians to use their county registrar's office as their mailing address. While Republicans said the homeless registration provision would help fulfill the overall bill's broader goal of restoring integrity to the voting process, Democrats and civil rights groups said it would disenfranchise eligible voters who happen to be homeless.

"Ill-conceived laws like Georgia's SB189 are a bad solution in search of a non-existent problem," said Damon Hewitt, pres-

ident and executive director of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, one of the civil rights groups that filed a lawsuit challenging the bill. "The people of Georgia, especially its most vulnerable, deserve better."

The other two portions of Senate Bill 189 that take effect Jan. 1 allow voters in local elections in the smallest rural counties to use paper ballots and require county election offices to take steps to prevent tampering with absentee ballots.

Two tax measures about to take effect will provide both property tax relief and greater accountability surrounding the



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traveled long distances to hear his lessons, and he wanted them to have a personal experience even if they ended up watching it on closed circuit TV. When he came out to the room, it was just me and his niece - who now leads these lessons herself.

He spoke to us briefly then entered the sanctuary for the lesson. A few minutes later, Jill emerged to apologize to me on

various tax incentives the state offers businesses as bait to lure jobs to Georgia.

Georgia voters ratified an amendment to the state constitution last month with 63% of the vote that prohibits local governments from raising residential property assessments in a given year by more than the annual rate of inflation, even if a home's market value has gone up more.

Cities, counties and school districts will be allowed to opt out of the measure if they choose. However, any local government that wishes to take that step will be required to file its intent to do so with the Georgia secretary of state's office by March 1 and hold at least three public hearings.

The Tax Expenditures Transparency Act of 2024 will require the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts to complete at least 12 analyses each year of state income tax credits or sales

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standard. He wanted to make sure I felt welcomed and important, and that it mattered that I was there. He cared about that.

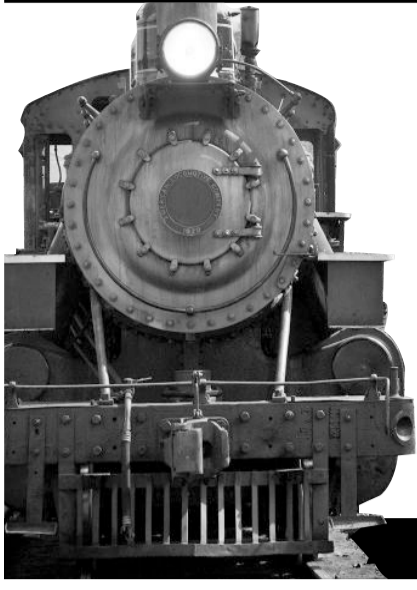
He wanted everyone to feel that way. Whether you needed a home, whether you were suffering from guinea worm half way around the globe, or whether you just wanted you and your family to live in peace.

He cared. And for that, he gave his best. And for that, I appreciate him immensely.

sen based on a ranking of need. Two other new laws that take effect Jan. 1 with health-care ramifications are intended to help military families and first responders.

House Bill 880, which passed the Georgia House and Senate unanimously, will allow military spouses to use an existing professional license "in good standing" from another state to obtain a license in Georgia. Supporters said making it easier for military spouses to get jobs in Georgia could help put a dent in the state's nursing shortage.

Another measure that made it through the General Assembly without a single "no" vote - House Bill 451 - will require insurance companies to cover mental-health services for first responders suffering post-traumatic stress disorder from being exposed to traumatic events in the line of duty.



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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PEACH COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA DWIGHT AND JANICE CORNELI- OUS, Petitioners, vs. Civil Action No.: 23-V-502 A TRACT OF LAND KNOWN AS 807 CARVER DRIVE, PEACH COUNTY, GEORGIA TPID: F04C 072; and ANGELA JOHNSON, Respondents. NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLI- CATION**

**TO RESPONDENTS:** Joseph A. McKenzie, Tavonya B. McKenzie, Monte J. McKenzie, Anthony Clark, Meisha L. Blocker, Sonia Alvarez and Clarence McKenzie whose ad- dresses are unknown and may reside outside of this state and are entitled to notice of the above cause and any unknown or known parties claiming any interest in the land known as **807 Carver Drive, Fort Valley, Peach County, Georgia; TPID F04C072.**

By Order for Service of Publication dated December 19, 2024, you are hereby notified that the above refer- enced Petition to Quiet Title Against All the World and any known or un- known parties claiming any interest in the Land known as 807 Carver Drive, Fort Valley, Peach County, Georgia; TPID F04C072. was filed on December 21, 2023, in Peach County Superior Court.

Any party claiming an interest in the below described property shall appear at the Peach County Superi- or Court within sixty (60) days from the date of the order for service by publication.

Any adverse party shall be entitled to have at least thirty (30) days after completion of service to file any pleadings he desires in the matter before the Court.

All persons owning or claiming any right, title, interest claim or demand in and to the above-described parcel of land should appear before the Special Master appointed by Judge Kenneth R. Smith, Peach County Superior Court, 205 West Church Street, Fort Valley, Georgia 31030 to make known their rights, title, claim and any other matters material to their respective rights.

Order Signed By: Kenneth R. Smith  
Peach County Superior Court  
Attorney for Petitioner: William R. Jerles, Jr.  
Daniel, Lawson, Tuggle & Jerles, LLP  
912 Main St., Perry, Georgia 31069  
(478)987-2622  
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2025  
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**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CRED- ITORS STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH**

The Last Will and Testament of **NELLIE P. SINGLETON** having been Probated in Solemn Form and Letters Testamentary, having been issued to ELIZABETH SINGLETON BROWN AND NANCY REE SINGLETON, this is to cite all creditors of said estate to make their demands known to us and all debtors of said estate to make immediate payment to us.

This 23RD day of DECEMBER, 2024.  
ELIZABETH SINGLETON BROWN, NANCY REE SINGLETON, Execu- trices  
C/O Robert J. Aromatorio Collins & Aromatorio, P.C.  
GA Bar No.023708  
P.O.Box 250  
Byron, Georgia 31008  
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1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2025  
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**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CRED- ITORS STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH**

The Last Will and Testament of **DA- VID JACKSON SHERRILLS** having been Probated in Solemn Form and Letters Testamentary, having been issued to DEBORAH L. MOONEY- HAM this is to cite all creditors of said estate to make their demands known to us and all debtors of said estate to make immediate payment to us.

This 23RD day of DECEMBER, 2024.  
DEBORAH L. MOONEYHAM, Ex- ecutrix  
C/O Robert J. Aromatorio Collins & Aromatorio, P.C.  
GA Bar No.023708  
P.O.Box 250  
Byron, Georgia 31008  
478-956-3071  
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2025  
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**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CRED- ITORS OF CHARLES B. EVANS, JR., DECEASED**

All creditors of the above-named deceased are hereby notified to render an accounting to the undersigned of their demands against his estate as provided by Official Code of Georgia Annotated §53-7-41. Failure to render said accounting within the time provided by law may cause the loss of certain of your rights as provided in said Section. All persons indebted to said decedent are hereby required to make payment to the undersigned.

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**STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained within that certain Security Deed dated March 18, 1994, from Jan A. Grinnell to The United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agricul- ture, recorded on March 18, 1994, in Deed Book 147 at Page 524, Peach County, Georgia records, with said Security Deed being assumed by Sarah F. Seman, by agreement; and

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained within that certain Security Deed dated October 3, 1997, from Sarah F. Seman to The United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agricul- ture, recorded on November 3, 1997, in Deed Book 181 at Page 256, Peach County, Georgia records, and said Security Deed having been given to secure a note dated October 3, 1997, in the amount of \$51,999.42, and said Note being in default, the undersigned will sell at public outcry during the legal hours of sale before the door of the courthouse of Peach County, Georgia, on February 4, 2025 the following described real property (hereinafter referred to as the "Property"):

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT, LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE, LY- ING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 208 OF THE NINTH LAND DISTRICT OF PEACH COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DE- SCRIBED AS LOT 2, CONTAINING 0.632 ACRE, OF A RESUBDIVISION OF LOT 11 OF OLD BASSETT ES- TATES ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY DATED NOVEMBER 10, 1993, PREPARED BY ROBERT L. STORY, GEORGIA REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR NO. 1853, AND RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 220, CLERK'S OFFICE, PEACH SUPERIOR COURT, GEOR- GIA; REFERENCE TO SAID PLAT AND THE RECORD THEREOF BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN AND MADE A PART OF THIS DE- SCRIPTON.

The debt secured by the Secu- rity Deed(s) and evidenced by the Note and has been, and is hereby, declared due and payable because of, among other possible events of default, failure to make the payments as required by the terms of the Note. The debt remaining is in default and this sale will be made for the purpo- ses of paying the Security Deed(s), accrued interest, and all expenses of the sale, including attorneys' fees. Notice of intention to collect attorneys' fees has been given as provided by law. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, the person(s) in posses- sion of the property is/are The Estate of Sarah F. Seman.

The property, being commonly known as **1402 Woolfolk Rd, Fort Valley, GA 31030 in Peach County**, will be sold as the property of The Estate of Sarah F. Seman, subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien and not yet due and payable), any matters affecting title to the property which would be disclosed by accurate survey and inspection thereof, and all assessments, liens, encumbrances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record to the Security Deed(s).

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 44-14- 162.2, the name, address and tele- phone number of the individual or entity who shall have the full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the above-described Secu- rity Deed(s) is as follows: Dawson's Realty & Mortgages, Inc., 1293 Whis- perwood Lane, Lawrenceville GA 30043, 678-558-7822. The foregoing notwithstanding, nothing in O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2 shall require the se- cured creditor to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the mortgage instrument.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed(s).

Albertelli Law  
Attorney for Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development as Attorney in Fact for Sarah F. Seman  
100 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1000  
Atlanta, GA 30339  
Phone: (770) 373-4242  
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- 24-036313  
1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2025  
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**GEORGIA, PEACH COUNTY NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CRED- ITORS**

All creditors of the Estate of **INEZ MOORE, deceased, of Peach County, Georgia**, are hereby notified

to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate re- quired to make immediate payment.

This 18th day of December, 2024.  
Gloria Hardin, Administrator  
c/o Rebecca C. Moody, Esq.  
MOODY AND ASSOCIATES LAW FIRM, LLC  
P.O. Box 422  
Perry, GA 31069  
478-988-0238  
12/25/2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2025  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

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1/1 & 1/8, 2025  
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**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CRED- ITORS STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH**

All creditors of the estate of **GUDRUN W. PELLETIER, de- ceased, late of Peach County, Georgia**, are hereby notified to ren- der their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.  
**Robert M. Pelletier, Executor 6446 N. 105 Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68134 712-309-1164**

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Perry, GA 31069  
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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PEACH COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA DWIGHT AND JANICE CORNELI- OUS, Petitioners, vs.**

**Civil Action No.: 23-V-0496 A TRACT OF LAND KNOWN AS 220 DAVIDSON DRIVE, PEACH COUNTY, GEORGIA TPID: F04B 127; and ALONZO TUCKER, Respon- dents. NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLI- CATION**

**TO RESPONDENTS:** Any admin- istrator, executor, heir, assignee or beneficiary of the Estate of Annie Laney, and any administrator, execu- tor, heir, assignee or beneficiary of the Estate of Bobbie Laney, whose addresses are unknown and may reside outside of this state and are entitled to notice of the above cause and any unknown or known parties claiming any interest in the land known as **220 Davidson Drive, Fort Valley, Peach County, Georgia; TPID F0.**

By Order for Service of Publication dated December 19, 2024, you are hereby notified that the above refer- enced Petition to Quiet Title Against All the World and any known or un- known parties claiming any interest in the Land known as 807 Carver Drive, Fort Valley, Peach County, Georgia; TPID F04B 127. was filed on December 21, 2023, in Peach County Superior Court.

Any party claiming an interest in the below described property shall appear at the Peach County Superi- or Court within sixty (60) days from the date of the order for service by publication.

Any adverse party shall be entitled to have at least thirty (30) days after completion of service to file any pleadings he desires in the matter before the Court.

All persons owning or claiming any right, title, interest claim or demand in and to the above-described parcel of land should appear before the Special Master appointed by Judge Kenneth R. Smith, Peach County Superior Court, 205 West Church Street, Fort Valley, Georgia 31030 to make known their rights, title, claim and any other matters material to their respective rights.

Order Signed By: Kenneth R. Smith  
Peach County Superior Court  
Attorney for Petitioner: William R. Jerles, Jr.  
Daniel, Lawson, Tuggle & Jerles, LLP  
912 Main St., Perry, Georgia 31069

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**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER STATE OF GEORGIA PEACH COUNTY**

By virtue of a power of sale con- tained in a certain security deed from Daisy M Oates to United States of America, acting through the Farm- ers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture and recorded in Deed Book 300, Page 71, Peach County, Georgia records given to secure a note in the original amount of \$87,463.00 with interest on the unpaid balance until paid, the fol- lowing described property will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door of PEACH COUNTY, Georgia, or such other location within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in February, 2025, to wit: February 04, 2025, the following described property: TRACT ONE: All that certain tract, lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 214 of the 9th Land District of Peach County, Georgia, and in the City of Fort Valley therein, being more particularly described as follows: To obtain the point or place of beginning, start at the intersection of the center line of South Macon Street formerly known as State College Drive and now known as State University Drive and the center line of Solomon's Gin Road, and run thence in a North- easterly direction 205 feet along the center line of State University Drive to a point; thence run perpendicular to the center line of State University Drive in a Northwesterly direction a distance of 45 feet TO THE POINT OR PLACE OF BEGINNING on the Northwest right of way line of State University Drive; and from said point or place of beginning; thence North 60&deg;00' West a distance of 77.30 feet to a point; thence North 30&deg;00' East a distance of 44.00 feet to a point; thence South 60&deg;00' East a distance of 77.30 feet to a point on the Northwest right of way line of State University Drive; thence run South 30&deg;00' West a distance of 44.00 feet to the point or place of beginning; all as is more fully shown and described on that certain plat of survey for Mrs. W. L. Windham prepared by H. C. Kendrick, Jr. , GRLS No. 1592, dated December 22, 1973, and recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 202, Clerk's Office, Peach County Superior Court; reference to said plat and the record thereof is incorporated herein and made a part of this description. TRACT TWO: All that certain tract, lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the State of Georgia, County of Peach and in the City of Fort Valley therein, fronting East 32 feet, more or less, on State University Drive and running back with uniform width a distance of 100 feet, more or less. Said tract is bound- ed on the North and South by lands formerly owned by Henry Toomer; on the East by State University Drive and on the West by lands formerly owned by Annette and C.L. Shepard, Jr.

Said property is the same that de- scribed in deed dated April 1, 1944 from Henry Toomer to Alfred Ellis, Jr. and Martha J. Ellis, recorded in Deed Book T, Page 89, Peach County Re- cords. Being real property commonly known as **614 State University Drive, Fort Valley, GA 31030.**

The debt secured by the above-referenced security deed has been declared due because of the default in the payment of said debt per the terms of the note and other possible defaults by the borrower or the suc- cessor thereto. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the debt and all expenses of this sale including attor- ney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). Said sale will be made subject to the following items which may affect the title to said property: All restrictive covenants, easements and rights-of-way appearing of record, if any; all zoning ordinances; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or by an inspection of the property; all outstanding or unpaid bills and assessments for street im- provements, curbing, garbage, water, sewage and public utilities which may be liens upon said property; and any outstanding taxes, assessments and other liens superior to the security deed being foreclosed hereby. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the above-described property is in the possession of the borrower and/or other persons with the consent and acquiescence of the borrower. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2, the name, address and telephone number of the person or entity who shall have full authority to negotiate, amend, or modify all terms of the above-described mort- gage is as follows: Dawson's Man- agement c/o USDA 3775 Venture Drive Duluth, GA 30096 770-962-4981 The foregoing notwithstanding, nothing in O.C.G.A. Section 44-14- 162.2 shall be construed to require United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Admini- stration, United States Department

of Agriculture to negotiate, amend, or modify the terms of the Securi- ty Deed described herein. United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture as Attorney in Fact for Daisy M Oates Attorney Contact: Miller, George and Suggs, PLLC 3000 Langford Road, Building 100 Peachtree Corners, GA 30071 Phone: 404-793-1447 Fax: 404-738-1558 24GA414-0222 THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFOR- MATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. A-4830876 01/08/2025, 01/15/2025, 01/22/2025, 01/29/2025 3262 (ASAP# 4830876)

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CRED- ITORS STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH**

All creditors of the estate of **JAMES RONALD NELMS, deceased**, late of Peach County, are hereby notified to render their demands to the un- dersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to me.

This 23RD day of December, 2024.  
Phyllis Jacks, Administrator  
Collins & Aromatorio, P.C.  
Robert J. Aromatorio  
GA Bar No.023708  
P.O.Box 250  
Byron, Georgia 31008  
478-956-3071  
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2025  
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**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER GEORGIA, PEACH COUNTY**

Under and by virtue of the Pow- er of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Anthony J Henry** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nomi- nee for United Wholesale Mortgage, its successors and assigns, dated August 5, 2014, recorded in Deed Book 516, Page 414, Peach County, Georgia Records, and as modified by that certain Loan Modification Agreement recorded in Deed Book 678, Page 475, Peach County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 608, Page 260, Peach County, Georgia Records, conveying the after- described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$151,938.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Peach County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in Febru- ary, 2025, the following described property:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" AT- TACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby de- clared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney's fees (notice pursuant to O.C.G.A. Â§ 13-1-11 having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordi- nances, restrictions, covenants, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to the Security Deed first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as- is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA Â§ 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: M&T Bank, One Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203, 800-724-1633. Note, however, that such entity is not required by law to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is Anthony J Henry or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **302 Amber Drive, Byron, GA 31008.** Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC as Attorney in Fact for  
Anthony J Henry  
McCalla Rayer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
1544 Old Alabama Rd  
Roswell, GA 30076  
[www.foreclosurehotline.net](http://www.foreclosurehotline.net)  
5783019 EXHIBIT "A"

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 60 of the Fifth Land District of Peach County, Georgia, known and designated as Lot 72, Block "A," Phase 4, Section 2, of a Subdivision known as THE PRESTON, according to a plat of sur- vey of said Subdivision prepared by Collins & Company, certified by Jesse Collins, Jr., Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2085, dated January 30, 2013, a copy of which is of record in Plat Book 27, Page 127, Clerk's Of- fice, Peach Superior Court. Said plat and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto for all purposes.

The above-described property is conveyed subject to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restric- tions as contained in instrument of record in Deed Book 317, Pages 236-252; amended by instruments of record in Deed Book 345, Pages 558-559, Deed Book 418, Pages 479-480, Deed Book 486, Pages 534-535 and Deed Book 492, Pages 181-182, Clerk's Office, Peach Superi- or Court; also, subject to easements and rights-of-way for public roads and utilities as they now exist, and build- ing lines and other matters shown on the aforesaid recorded plat of survey. MR / February 4, 2025  
Our file no. 5783019-FT5  
01/08/2025, 01/15/2025, 01/22/2025, 01/29/2025  
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**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH**

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF the power of sale contained in that certain Deed to Secure Debt, Ass- ignment and Security Agreement dated October 22, 2021, executed and delivered by **Briggs Brothers Enterprises Corporation** to The Development Authority of Peach County and recorded on November 1, 2021 in Deed Book 662, Page 255, Peach County Deed Records ("Security Deed"); conveying the after-described property (through the open end provisions therein) to secure that certain promissory note (as it may have been amended, modified, extended, and/or renewed, the "Note") executed and delivered by Briggs Brothers Enterprises Corpora- tion (the "Borrower") dated October 22, 2021 in the original principal amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100s (\$200,000.00) with interest thereon as set forth therein. The Development Authority of Peach County being the current owner and holder of the Note, there will be a sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Peach County, Georgia during the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday of Febru- ary, 2025, of the following described property (the "Property"):

All that tract of parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 169 and 184, 9th Land District, Fort Valley, Peach County, Georgia, being shown and designated as Tract A, containing 18.81 acres, according to that certain Subdivision Plat for Peach County Development Authority, prepared by Wellston Associates Land Surveyors, LLC, certified by Carl B. Levi, G. R. L. S. No. 2744, dated May 21, 2018, and recorded in Plat Book 28, Page 216, Clerk's Office, Peach Superior Court. Said Tract A having such size, shape and dimensions as shown on said plat, which by reference thereto is made a part hereof.

The indebtedness secured by the Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due and payable by reason of default for, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and the Security Deed. The indebtedness remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying said debt and all expen- ses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including but not limited to attorneys' fees (the statutory notice of intent to collect attorneys' fees having been served). The Property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes that are a lien, but not yet due and payable); any mat- ters that might be disclosed by an accurate survey and/or inspection of the Property; any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, and covenants; and mat- ters of record superior to the Security Deed. Additionally, this sale will be conducted subject to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and sub- ject to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loans with the holder of the Security Deed.

Notice to the debtor as required by O.C.G.A. § 44-14-162.2 has been given. Please note that The Deve- lopment Authority of Peach County,

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located at the business address of 425 James E. Khoury Drive – Unit B, Fort Valley, Georgia, 31030, is the entity that has the full authority to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the loan documents. The Development Authority of Peach County can be contacted through the following representative: Hays B. McQueen, James-Bates-Brannan-Groover-LLP, 231 Riverside Drive Macon, Georgia, 31201, Tel: (478) 749-9915.

The Development Authority of Peach County, as Attorney-in-Fact for Briggs Brothers Enterprises Corporation.

Hays B. McQueen, Esq.  
James-Bates-Brannan-Groover-LLP  
231 Riverside Drive  
Macon, Georgia, 31201  
(478)749-9915  
1/18, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2025  
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### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT TO REDEEM [REF. O.C.G.A. Section 48-4-5 et seq.: 48-4-45 & 48-4-46]

**TO: Robert Lee Sapp & Myrtle Sapp, As well as any Heirs, all occupants, all parties known and unknown having recorded in Peach County Superior Court and Right Title, Interest in or including any Tenant/Owner or occupant. Parcel ID# 039 077 known & located at 5686 Buckeye Rd., Perry, GA 31069.**

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in land lot 25 of the ninth land district Peach County Georgia containing 1 acre more or less being known and designated as lot 3 on a plat of survey entitled "Property of Anderson Home Builders" dated July 7, 1970, said plat being recorded in plat book 8 page 228. Clerks office Peach Superior Court. Described in deed book 119 page 718. Now in deed book 717 Page 857 Recorded March 4, 2024. Recorded with the Clerk of the Peach County Superior Court, 205 W. Church St Fort Valley GA 31030.

All persons, Etc. Robert Lee Sapp & Myrtle Sapp as well as any heirs, all occupants, all parties known and unknown. Any previous owners who claim interest including, Piedmont Housing Inc., Whitney Howard R & Jerry L., Rigmardia, Salvatore & Mary Wright, Lyles D & Carolyn Sue, Anderson, John C. RE: Foreclosure of Equity of redemption for tax sale deed (REF. O.C.G.A. § 48-4-45, 46) Take notice that: This Right of Redemption will expire and be forever barred as of 9 a.m. EST on and after the 7TH day of FEBRUARY, 2025. The Tax Deed to which this Notice relates is dated February 6th, 2024 and was recorded on the 4th day of March 2024 in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, Peach County, Georgia. The property may be

redeemed on or before the time and the date stated above by payment of the redemption price as fixed and provided by law \$25,902.45 to the undersigned at the following address: Gregory Imberger 218 Williamsburg Trl., Byron, GA 31008. Phone (702)-374-9577.

Please be governed accordingly.  
12/18, 12/25, 2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 2025  
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### Notice of Dissolution of The Beginning Learning Center Inc.

Notice is hereby given that **The Beginning Learning Center Inc.**, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Georgia, is in the process of being dissolved effective 12/30/24. The principal office of the corporation is located at 406 Carver Drive, Fort Valley, GA 31030.

Any claims against the corporation should be made in writing to The Beginning Learning Center, Inc 406 Carver Drive, Fort Valley, GA 31030 within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice.

This notice is published in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 14-2-1410.  
1/8, 1/15, 2025  
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### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PEACH COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA Civil Action No. 24-V-0215 SARAH ELIZABETH HINSON, Plaintiff,

v. **KENNETH CLAYTON HINSON, Defendant.**

**In Re: Natalie Susan Hinson, YOB: 2012**

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

**To: Kenneth Clayton Hinson, Legal Father of Natalie Susan Hinson 1010 Beverly Road, Fort Valley, Georgia 31030**

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL 9407111206206865537249**

By Order of the Court for service by publication dated December 20, 2024, you are hereby notified that on June 12, 2024, Plaintiff, Sarah Elizabeth Hinson, filed suit against you for Complaint for Divorce and Petition to Terminate Parental Rights of Defendant. You are required to file with the clerk of the Superior Court, and to serve upon Plaintiff's Attorney, Jocelyn P. Daniell, an answer in writing within 60 days of December 20, 2024.

You are further notified that as the Legal Father of the Natalie Susan Hinson born to Sarah Elizabeth Hinson in 2012, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 19-7-1 (b)(8), you are hereby notified that the above action was filed in Peach County Superior Court Clerk's Office, Georgia, on June 12, 2024 seeking the termination of your parental rights. A hearing in this case is scheduled to be heard on February 21, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. before the Honorable Ken Smith in the Peach

County Courthouse. You shall have the right to appear and show cause why your rights to the child who is the subject of the proceeding should not be terminated. A copy of the petition, motion, and/or notice may be obtained, if permitted by law, from the Clerk's Office of the Peach County Superior Court.

Said Petition seeks to terminate your rights and obligations with respect to the above-listed minor child, and of the child arising from the potential parental relationship, including the right to inheritance. You are hereby notified that you will lose all rights to the child and will neither receive notice, nor be entitled to object to the adoption of the child, unless you appear in the divorce hearing and show cause why your rights should not be terminated. Be Governed Accordingly.

Witness, the Honorable Ken Smith, judge of Superior Court of Peach County.

This December 20, 2024.  
/s/Jocelyn P. Daniell  
Jocelyn P. Daniell  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
524 South Houston Lake Road  
Suite C100  
Warner Robins, GA 31088  
(478)953-6103  
12/25/2024, 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2024  
3254

### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF PEACH COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA ESTATE NO. 2024-PRO-7031 IN RE: ESTATE OF BEITY A. EVANS, DECEASED

**NOTICE**

**IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will (and codicil(s)) in Solemn Form in the above-referenced estate having been duly filed.**

**TO: MICHAEL R. WEST AND ANTHONY K. WEST**

This is to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the petition to probate will in solemn form, in this Court on or before JANUARY 15, 2024.

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the ground of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a probate court clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.

Kim Wilson, Judge of the Probate Court

By Katrina Corbin, Clerk of the Probate Court  
205 West Church Street, Fort Valley, GA 31030  
478-825-2313  
12/18, 12/25, 2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 2025  
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### STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 19th day of December, 2024, KIMBERLY AYER HATTAWAY** filed a Petition in the Superior Court of Peach County, Georgia, seeking a name change from **KIMBERLY AYER HATTAWAY to KIMBERLY NICOLE AYER**. Any interested or affected party has the right to appear and file objections. At the expiration of thirty (30) days from the filing of the Petition, upon proof of publication, and if no objection is filed, the Court shall proceed to hear and determine all matters raised by said Petition. Edwin S. Varner, Jr. Attorney at Law State Bar No. 725500 1719 Russell Pkwy., Bldg. 200 Warner Robins, GA 31088 (478)922-3010 12/25/2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2025 3251

### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

#### STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH

The Last Will and Testament of **RONALD BERNARD CANNON** having been Probated in Solemn Form and Letters Testamentary, having been issued to FAYE SENKBEIL this is to cite all creditors of said estate to make their demands known to us and all debtors of said estate to make immediate payment to us.

This 23RD day of DECEMBER, 2024.

FAYE SENKBEIL, Executrix  
C/O Robert J. Aromatorio  
Collins & Aromatorio, P.C.  
GA Bar No. 023708  
P.O. Box 250  
Byron, Georgia 31008  
478-956-3071  
1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 2025  
3259

### CITATION TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN AND: RLI INSURANCE COMPANY.

The conservator(s) of the above estate, has/have applied for Discharge from said trust. This is to notify the above interested party(ies) to show cause, if any they can, why said conservator(s) should not be discharged from office and liability. All objections must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and filed with the above Probate Court, 205 W. Church Street, Fort Valley, GA 31030 on or before February 5, 2025, said date being more than 30 days from the date of publication, or if personally served, then 10 days from the date of such service. All pleadings must be signed before a notary public or probate court clerk, and fees must be tendered with your pleadings, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel at the below address/

telephone number for the required amount of filing fees.

If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled for a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.  
Kim Wilson, Probate Judge  
By: K. Corbin, Probate Clerk/Deputy clerk  
205 W. Church Street  
Fort Valley, Georgia 31030  
478-825-2313  
12/25/2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2025  
3250 (Estate of Jaqueline Hernandez, Citation)

### NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE

**Please take notice Byron Self Storage located 107 W White Rd/107 W.E. Green Jr Pkwy/500 GA-49 Byron GA 31008** intends to hold a public sale to sell the property stored in the following unit stored at the Facility. The public sale to the highest bidder will occur as an Online Auction via [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) on 1/21/2025 at 12:00PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials. Kelli Jordan unit #045; Carla Moss unit #220; Tyler Morgan unit #282; Brianna Griffin unit #C212; Billy Cantrell unit #C507; Michael Ross unit #E037; Jarvis Poole unit #E044; Steven Davis unit #E058; Shelton Suddeth unit #E120; Tenisha Jones unit #E405; Tiffany Brown unit #E427; Michael Ross unit #EP146. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply.  
1/01/2025 & 1/08/2025  
3255 (L2L- 55900)

### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

#### STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PEACH IN RE: ESTATE OF BENNIE RAY CARVER

All creditors of the estate of Bennie Ray Carver, late of Peach County, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

This 12th day of December, 2024. Tina Carver Smith, Executor of Bennie Ray Carver, deceased  
343 Hedge Row Drive  
Byron, GA 31008  
12/18, 12/25, 2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 2025  
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### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF PEACH COUNTY OF STATE OF GEORGIA

**IN RE: ESTATE OF BOBBY SOLOMON, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2024-ADM-70333 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES, and to whom it may concern: EARL SOLOMON has petitioned**

**to be appointed Administrator(s) of the estate of BOBBY SOLOMON, deceased, of said County.** (The Petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statement, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. §53-12-261.) All interested parties are hereby notified to show cause why said Petition should not be granted. All objections to the Petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before January 22, 2025.

BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the Petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or before a Probate Court Clerk, and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact Probate Court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing.  
Kim Wilson, Judge of the Probate Court

By: Katrina Corbin, Chief Clerk of the Probate Court  
205 Church Street,  
Fort Valley, GA 31030  
478-825-2313  
12/25/2024 & 1/1, 1/8, 1/15, 2025  
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### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF RIGHT TO REDEEM TAKE NOTICE THAT:

All that tract of land situate, lying and being in Peach County, Georgia. In the Fifth Land District, and in Land Lot 78 thereof, and being known as Parcel HA" containing 0.182 acres, more or less, and Parcel " B# containing 0.52J acres, more or less, as shown on a plat survey prepared by Terry M. Scarborough on March 4, 2009, of record in Map Book 26, Page 201 < Clerk's Office, Peach County, GA. Said plat and the recorded copy thereof are made a part hereof by reference thereto for all purposes. The Order of Year's Support recorded in Book 4 J 3, Page 160, on the 15th day of October, 2008, was, entered prior to a survey of the property and was in error. This Order is entered to correct the legal description awarded to Elaine Tanner in the prior order and to release the property described in the document from the original deed awarded Elaine Tanner the property owned by B. Glenn Tanner and said deed was in error. Sold together with a 1 972 J 2x60 Fleetwood Serial # DK5TS5515 Mobile Home. As described in Deed Book 437, Page 629. Further described as **Map & Parcel 065D031.**

1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2025  
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# Georgia Power encourages customers to be vigilant of scams in 2025

By Georgia Power

Atlanta – January 3, 2025 – Scams of various types often increase around the holidays and during the first of the year as post-holiday bills begin to arrive and as tax season approaches. Georgia Power, the state's largest electric utility, encourages customers to beware of scams in 2025, especially those threatening power disconnection "unless immediate payment is made" and attempts to have customers "update their billing information" in an effort to steal personal information.

In addition, various "tech-scams" continue to evolve and include:

- Tech Scam – Georgia Power Payment Through Unauthorized Apps: The company continues to hear of scammers requesting funds from customers

via mobile and online means like Cash App, asking customers to pay an account that "looks like" Georgia Power, including illegal use of the company's logo. Georgia Power does not accept payments via Cash App. Valid Georgia Power payment options include Venmo, Apple Pay, Amazon Pay, Google Pay, and PayPal – learn more here.

- Tech Scam – Fake Digital Ads: Georgia Power is receiving reports of digital ads on Google and other platforms that direct customers to non-company websites to pay their bills, which then request personal or financial information. Customers should always ensure that the webpage is the official Georgia Power website, with correct spelling: [www.GeorgiaPower.com](http://www.GeorgiaPower.com). Don't be fooled by ads that lead to fake websites.

Georgia Power works every day to combat new and existing scams and continues to partner with law enforcement and other agencies in supporting their efforts to identify and prosecute criminals who pose as Georgia Power employees to defraud customers. Customers are encouraged to report scams at [www.GeorgiaPower.com/ReportAScam](http://www.GeorgiaPower.com/ReportAScam).

The company reminds customers of the following additional tips and guidelines to avoid becoming the victim of a scammer:

- Georgia Power:
  - Does not call to ask a customer to provide a credit card or pre-paid debit card number over the phone.
  - Does not accept cryptocurrency as a payment option. Scammers often demand Bit-

coin or other cryptocurrencies, or demand use of money transfer apps for immediate payments.

- Does not call customers to set up automatic payments, to "update" credit cards or other sensitive account information or to ask customers to "pay for a new meter."

- The company also does not send employees into the field to collect payment in person or to pay anywhere other than an Authorized Payment Location (APL).

- Tips to #StopScams:
  - If a customer receives a suspicious call from someone claiming to be from Georgia Power and demanding immediate payment to avoid disconnection, the customer should hang up and log-on to their account at [www.GeorgiaPower.com](http://www.GeorgiaPower.com) to

confirm the status of their account.

- As scammers have tried to promote the use of fraudulent 800 numbers, customers should direct-dial the company's customer service line using the number on their bill (888-660-5890), which can be verified at [www.GeorgiaPower.com/ContactUs](http://www.GeorgiaPower.com/ContactUs). Do not trust "Caller ID" identifications.

- Customers are also asked to report any scam attempts online at [www.GeorgiaPower.com/ReportAScam](http://www.GeorgiaPower.com/ReportAScam).

- Delete all emails that demand immediate payment or personal information or that are from a company that is not Georgia Power.

- If an account becomes past due, Georgia Power will contact the customer via a pre-recorded message to the primary account

telephone number or by letter requesting that the customer call the number on their bill to discuss the account. Georgia Power's pre-recorded message will not ask customers to remain on the line or press a number to speak to a representative immediately.

- In the rare event that an employee needs to visit a customer's home or business for a service-related issue, they will be in uniform and present a badge with a photo, their name and the company's name and logo. They will also be in a vehicle marked with the company' logo.

To learn more about how you can defend yourself against scammers and avoid falling victim to common mistakes, visit [www.GeorgiaPower.com/Scams](http://www.GeorgiaPower.com/Scams).

# Congressman Bishop Supports Bipartisan Bill That Keeps Government Open, Provides Disaster Relief, Extends Farm Bill, & Delivers Economic Aid To Farmers

By Office of U.S. Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.

WASHINGTON – Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. (GA-02) a senior member of the U.S. House Appropriations Committee and member of the House Agriculture Committee, supported the passage of a bipartisan bill that provides continued funding for federal departments, agencies, and programs as well as an extension of Farm Bill programs. The bill also includes urgently needed disaster relief for Americans as well as \$10 billion in long overdue economic aid for farmers. This morning President Biden signed the bill into law.

"While it is not a perfect bill, I am happy that Democrats and Republicans, in the end, were able to come together in the best interests of the American people," said Congressman Bishop. "It is our Constitutional duty as Members of Congress to ensure that the government is open and working for the people. Additionally, this bill provides billions in supplemental economic aid for farmers and extends vital Farm Bill programs that affect every-single American from the materials that help build our country to the clothes we wear to the food we eat. Finally, this bill delivers urgently needed recovery aid, now, to Americans still reeling from natural disasters across the country."

Had the temporary funding bill not passed, it would have triggered a government shutdown of federal departments, agencies, and programs that would have hindered a wide range of services – from national security to veterans, from healthcare to housing, and from Social Security and Medicare to nutrition – on which millions of Americans depend.

Passage of this temporary funding bill also provided \$100 billion for disaster assistance to help communities recover from Hurricanes Helene and Milton as well as other storms, floods, and wildfires.

Congressman Bishop, along with Congressman Austin Scott (GA-08), led a bipartisan group of their Congressional colleagues and joined with Georgia State leaders – the Governor, Ag Commissioner, State Forester, University of Georgia, and state industry partners – and their counterparts from other affected states, to expedite the federal emergency response to these recent natural disasters.

Working together, Bishop and Scott invited Congressional leaders to see, first-hand, why disaster relief and the Farm Bill safety net are vital to Georgia's and America's farmers and producers. Hurricane Helene affected every commodity

that Georgia produces.

- Over 36% of Georgia's forest land was damaged and timber landowners lost \$1.3 billion in downed trees.

- Cotton producers sustained \$350 million in crop production and quality losses.

- Pecan growers lost nearly 400,000 trees, totaling over \$196.8 million in tree and nut losses.

- Chicken growers and cattlemen sustained \$650 million in direct losses to facilities like chicken houses, barns, water tanks, and shelters.

All told, University of Georgia estimates that the hurricane caused at least \$2.5 billion in direct damages to agriculture and forestry. If you add in the indirect losses to manufacturers, sawmills, input suppliers, and other industries that support our farmers and ranchers – the damage is closer to \$6 billion.

The bill includes \$674 million in economic and disaster relief for Georgia agriculture as well as \$1.6 billion in funding that Thomas County, Richmond County, McDuffie County, Laurens County, and the entire state need to recover after losing lives and property due to Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

Congress has yet to complete a new, five-year authorization of the Farm Bill. Negotiations are

ongoing and the current, 2018 Farm Bill was already extended at the end of 2023 to the end of 2024. The temporary funding bill also extended the 2018 Farm Bill provisions for another year while negotiations continue.

Had the Farm Bill extension not passed, it would have jeopardized the economic safety net that Georgia farmers rely on to produce the highest quality, most affordable and abundant, food and fiber.

For some time now, Congressman Bishop has been fighting to secure supplemental economic assistance for farmers who have experienced extraordinary financial stress due to increases in their input costs and decreases in their income margins over the last several years.

The \$10 billion in economic assistance included in the temporary funding bill will help farmers until a new Farm Bill is finalized.

"Thankfully, a bipartisan agreement was reached, putting the needs of people over politics," said Congressman Bishop. "But our work is not done, and I look forward negotiating with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to complete a full-year funding bill before the new March deadline as well as finalize and pass the Farm Bill as quickly as possible."

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**French:** Serpent  
**German:** Schlange

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Chinese New Year is the longest Chinese holiday, as it lasts 16 days. However, only the first seven days are a public holiday.

Answer: Dragon puppet

**Get the PICTURE?**

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

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Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to dog training.

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**THIS DAY IN HISTORY**

JANUARY

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**1759:** The first American life insurance company is incorporated in Philadelphia.

**1908:** Grand Canyon National Monument is created.

**1935:** Amelia Earhart becomes the first person to fly solo from Hawaii to California.

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# Former President Jimmy Carter Dies at the age of 100

## National Day Of Mourning Set For Jimmy Carter

By Dave Williams  
Bureau Chief

Capitol Beat News Service

ATLANTA – Flags flew at half-staff across the nation Monday, a day after former President Jimmy Carter died at age 100 at his home in Plains.

Gov. Brian Kemp issued two executive orders following the passing of the longest living ex-president, one ordering all U.S. and Georgia flags to fly at half-staff at all state buildings and grounds for 30 days and the other declaring a state of emergency in Carter's home county of Sumter through Jan. 12 to bring all state resources to bear for the influx of visitors expected to attend funeral services.

President Joe Biden ordered an official state funeral for fellow Democrat Carter to be held at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 9, a

national day of mourning, while Congress extended an invitation to the Carter family to have the former president to lie in state inside the U.S. Capitol Rotunda.

"Over six decades, we had the honor of calling Jimmy Carter a dear friend," Biden and First Lady Jill Biden said in a statement late Sunday. "But what's extraordinary about Jimmy Carter, though, is that millions of people throughout America and the world who never met him thought of him as a dear friend as well.

"With his compassion and moral clarity, he worked to eradicate disease, forge peace, advance civil rights and human rights, promote free and fair elections, house the homeless, and always advocate for the least among us. He saved, lifted, and changed the lives of people all across the globe."

Carter was born in Plains in 1924 to James and Bessie Carter, owners of a local peanut farm and warehouse. He attended the U.S. Naval Academy in Maryland and went on to serve seven years as a naval officer, rising to the rank of lieutenant.

After his father's death, Carter resigned from the Navy and came home to manage the family business. From there, he ran for the state Senate, serving two terms before being elected Georgia's 76th governor in 1970.

He won the presidency in 1976, running as a Washington outsider in a post-Watergate era that found voters tired of the scandal and corruption that had led to the resignation of then-President Richard Nixon in 1974.

After a single term marked by inflation at home and the Iranian hostage crisis overseas,

voters turned to Ronald Reagan in 1980, sending Carter back to Georgia.

But the nation's only president from the Peach State thus far was nowhere near done with his career. He founded the non-profit Carter Center in Atlanta in 1982, which continues to promote international human rights and global health initiatives.

Carter was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2002 for his efforts as a humanitarian and philanthropist.

Carter entered home-hospice care last February, several months after traveling to Atlanta to attend former First Lady Rosalynn Carter's funeral.

Georgia Republicans and Democrats alike praised Carter Sunday for his contributions to the nation both during and after his presidency.

"President Carter was an exemplary statesman who was respected by many and served our nation with skill and experience," GOP Lt. Gov. Burt Jones said. "President Carter's legacy will live on in the numerous nonprofits, charities, and organizations Rosalynn, his family and he started."

U.S. Sen. Raphael Warnock, D-Ga., called Carter one of his heroes.

"His leadership was driven by love, his life's project grounded in compassion and a commitment to human dignity," Warnock said. "For those of us who have the privilege of representing our communities in elected office, Jimmy Carter is a shining example of what it means to make your faith come alive through the noble work of public service."

U.S. Rep. Nikema Williams,



Photo By The White House Historical Association; Michael Brochstein/SOPA Images/LightRocket via Getty  
Jimmy Carter

D-Atlanta, who also chairs the Georgia Democratic Party, named her son, Carter, after the former president.

"Throughout his extraordinary life, President Jimmy Carter was a force for peace, human rights, and a voice for marginalized communities," Williams said. "The once peanut farmer from Plains, Ga., became a Nobel Peace Prize winner, reminding us that everyday people have the power to change the world."

### In Honor of President Jimmy Carter from Peach County Government & E911

From Peach County Government / FaceBook

In recognition of the incredible life and legacy of President Jimmy Carter, Peach County will be flying flags at half-staff leading up to his funeral services. As a true champion for peace, equality, and humanitarian efforts, President Carter's impact on both our nation and the world is immeasurable.

Our thoughts are with his family, friends, and all those who have been inspired by his dedication to public service.

Let us all take a moment to reflect on his contributions and the values he instilled in us all.

From Peach County E911 / FaceBook

Peach County 911 sends our condolences to the friends and family of President Jimmy Carter. He lived a remarkable life and left an indelible mark on Georgia and our country through his 100 years of life. May he rest in peace.

### Georgia Farm Bureau President Tom McCall issued the following statement on the passing of former U.S. President Jimmy Carter

By GA Farm Bureau

Georgia Farm Bureau President Tom McCall said today that former President Jimmy Carter's contributions to agriculture have helped shape the way others think about agriculture.

"The former president is easily recognized as the most famous peanut farmer and his work in and out of the fields in South Georgia have given others a different level of respect for farming and agriculture," McCall said.



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President Carter Portrait 1994 .

"Mr. Carter's national campaign for the 1976 presidential election helped others better

understand the plight of rural Americans. For those connected to agriculture, Georgia's number one economic driver, we can all appreciate that," McCall said.

McCall said, "Georgia Farm Bureau expresses our deepest gratitude to Mr. Carter for dedicating himself to a rural lifestyle and tirelessly working on behalf of other people while serving as a state lawmaker, Georgia governor, U.S. president and in his retirement. We say, thank you."

### Statement from President Carter's Family

Contributed

Jan. 2, 2025 - The outpouring of love and support we have received from around the world confirms what we have known all along — Jimmy Carter's family extends far beyond blood relatives. We are sincerely grateful for everyone's words of comfort and acts of kindness following the passing of such a champion of human rights, justice, and peace.

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The winner will be on the 2025 Southern Bride magazine's cover and be featured inside. The runner-up will also be featured.

Any bride who got married in 2024 and is a resident of the Middle Georgia area is eligible to enter.

Submit a high-quality wedding photo, along with you and your partner's full names, address, wedding date, wedding location and venue, photographer's name, jeweler's name and contact information (phone number & email) to [brieanna@hhjonline.com](mailto:brieanna@hhjonline.com).

Voting will start January 22nd on [hhjonline.com](http://hhjonline.com) and end January 30th. The winner will be announced January 31st.

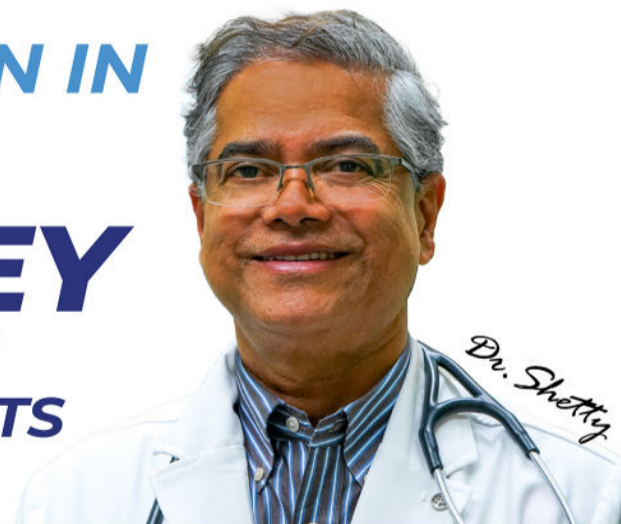
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