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DEATHS

September 29-October 5

William Russell McDonald
1998-2020
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Wednesday, October 7 at 2 pm. Burial followed at Jefferson Cemetery.

Raymond A. Gulley
1932-2020
Services to celebrate Gulley's life will be held privately.

Glenda Lee Fuller
1941-2020
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Rybolt Chapel, on Thursday, October 1 at 2 pm. Burial followed at Knox Chapel Cemetery.

Vicky E. Small
1946-2020
Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Tuesday, October 6 at 1 pm. Burial followed at Gardens of Memory.

Thomas E. Bishop
1946-2020
A private graveside service for Bishop will be held at Marion National Cemetery at a later date.

Richard Allen Angell
1951-2020
A private graveside service for Angell will take place at a later date at Estates of Serenity.

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INDIANA QUIZ

There are many interesting museums in Indiana. Match each one below to its location.

1. Red Skelton Museum
2. Old Rotary Jail Museum
3. Howard Steamboat Museum
4. Clabber Girl Museum
5. Elwood Haynes Museum

- A. Crawfordsville B. Terre Haute C. Kokomo
D. Vincennes E. Jeffersonville

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Weaver historical marker unveiled



Several members of the Prince Hall Masonic Lodge standing in front of the new marker. Photo by Sean Douglas

Sean Douglas

From the 1840s until the 1930s, the Weaver settlement, located just west of Jonesboro, served as both a haven for African-Americans looking to flee threat to their freedom during the pre-Civil War era and a thriving community whose roots weave itself into the fabric of Grant County history.

On Thursday, after years of hard work and dedication, the Weaver Settlement Historical Marker was officially unveiled and christened at the Prince Hall Masonic Lodge, ensuring that Weaver, and it's incredible legacy, would not be forgotten.

"Some like-minded people came together and decided we wanted to do something different," Weaver Historical Landmark Committee member Joselyn Whitaker said. "We wanted to make sure that this historical, hollow ground was never left to us, to Grant County, to Indiana, and to American history."

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City Hall reopens to the public; Charles Mill Dam study meeting in late October

On Monday, Sept. 28, the City of Marion announced that after six months, City Hall would be reopened to the public. However, safety measures will be still be enforced. Anyone entering the building is required to wear a mask and social distancing must continue to be



practiced.

Additionally, the Grant County Soil and Water Conservation District and City

of Marion have partnered with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Lake and River Enhance-

ment Program to conduct a feasibility study to possibly remove the Charles Mill Dam in the Mississinewa River near Matter Park. Ecosystems Connections Institute, LLC in partnership with Christopher Burke Engineering collected a wide assortment of infor-

mation about the dam, the river and pool above the dam over the course of this past summer.

A public meeting to share information about the study is scheduled for Thursday, October 29th, 2020 at 6:30pm in Council Chambers of City Hall.

Bridge closed



The main eastbound artery from downtown Marion — the Ind. 18 bridge over the Mississinewa River — was closed Thursday by the Indiana Department of Transportation so that work could begin on repairing the cushion between the concrete deck and the bridge structure beneath. Flaws were found recently by paint crews

maintaining the bridge. State highway traffic is being rerouted on Ind 9 and Ind. 37, while local traffic is going north or south on Branson Street to get around the closure. The westbound lanes remain open and the work is expected to be completed by late October. Photo by Ed Breen