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Food pantry serves over 200 residents

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The first Geneva County Community Church Food Pantry event served over 200 Geneva County residents on April 14. The pantry utilized the Geneva County Farm Center to undertake this venture, after first meeting with the Geneva County Commission in late February.

"We thank the county commissioners and Judge Seay for the use of the Geneva County Farm Center," said Mims Hill Church Pastor Bob Michaels. "I think it was a very successful endeavor."

Michaels, director of the newly organized pantry, went on to say that he is thankful that a lot of people got food they needed to help them through this hard time. Michaels says, "I thank God for this opportunity to share, to feed his sheep."

Michaels asks that the

Geneva County church families keep praying that the pantry continue to do the work God has called them to do. He is grateful for the churches support and thanks the almighty God

for his wisdom to do what they need to do to feed his sheep.

There was over \$28,242 of wholesale food given away; this amounted to over 17000 pounds of food. This was just one effort by the Geneva County church mobile food pantry to help the people in need, in the county.



Geneva County Farm Center served as a drive thru food bank

OBITUARIES-**Colonel (Ret.)** Edwin Eugene Johnson Jr.

Colonel (Ret.) Edwin Eugene Johnson Jr., Age 85, beloved father, grandfather, and great grandfather, passed away on Friday, April 17, 2020 in Dothan, Alabama. At the time of his death, Colonel Johnson was residing at the assisted living facility at The Terrace at Grove Park. He is preceded in death by his wife, Gloria Early Johnson, His eldest son, Edwin Eugene Johnson III, his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E.E. Johnson. And a sister, Claudia Gilliland Jayne (John).

Survivors include sons, Eric Ellis Johnson, formally of Dothan, currently in Samson; James Murphy Johnson (Anna) of Dothan. Grandchildren, Sarah Johnson Franks (D.J.), formally of Dothan, currently in Pensacola, FL, Aubrey Johnson (Clayton), formally of Dothan, currently in Bethlehem, FL, Amelia Johnson and Lois Johnson of Dothan; Great grandchildren, Grayson Franks of Pensacola, FL and Sawyer Ward of Bethlehem, FL; Sister, Emma Sorrells (Ronnie) of Samson. Several nieces and nephews throughout Alabama and Florida as well.

Colonel Johnson was a lifelong resident of Samson, Alabama. He was a graduate of Auburn University, receiving a B.S. Degree in Agriculture Economics. While at Auburn, he was a member of the R.O.T.C. training corp and a member of the Pike Fraternity. He also was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church in Samson. During his life Colonel Johnson was a cattle farmer, a peanut and soybean farmer, a chemical salesman, and an Agribusiness teacher at Samson High School. He was mostly remembered as a solider. He was a 43 year veteran of the Alabama Army National Guard. He had the "unique" distinction to have served every day that he was eligible to serve. The day he turned seventeen (17) he signed up and the day he turned sixty (60) he was forced to retire. Colonel Johnson was an intensely patriotic gentleman who instilled "Duty, Honor and Courage into every member of his family and to many of his friends and students. He had many Army National Guard "buddies" throughout the state of Alabama. He was a military historian, and in later life, he became a noted inspirational speaker at social gatherings throughout Geneva County. Also, in later years he served as a Gideon in the Geneva County Association.

Due to the Covid-19 Virus, a condensed family graveside service was held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, April 20, 2020 at Travelers Rest Cemetery in Samson, Alabama with Reverend John Boss officiating. A "Celebration of Life" service will be held at a date to be determined, in the coming months with full military honors. Also, before that service, a more detailed obituary will be released about Colonel Johnson and

Flowers will be accepted, and memorial contributions may be made to the Travelers Rest Cemetery Fund in Samson, Alabama

Warren~Holloway~Ward Funeral Home (334) 684-9999, is in charge of arrangements. "Continuing The Trust You've Placed In Us" To sign a guest register, please visit: www.whwfuneralhome.com.

Virginia Ann McCall



Virginia Ann McCall of Geneva passed away on Thursday, April 16, 2020. She was 75. No services will be held at this time.

Mrs. McCall was born in Covington County, AL on February 22, 1945, to the late Laura Virginia Miller. She enjoyed being with her family and taking care of her

cats and dogs. Mrs. McCall loved nature and being outdoors. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Edward Jordan, and O'Neal Jordan.

She is survived by her son, Brian Michael McCall (Tracie) of Enterprise; three grandchildren, Bailey McCall, Brice McCall, and Harley Parker; two greatgrandchildren, Sam and Kaylee Parker; five brothers, Paul Jordan, Frankie Jordan, Jessie Jordan, Henry Jordan, and Jimmy Jordan; three sisters, Lowett Carter, Sue Carter, and Barbara Ann Taylor; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Poarch Creek Indians produce lifesaving supplies

The Poarch Band of Creek Indians announced last week that a company the Tribe owns, Muskogee Technology, started producing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to assist in the fight against COVID-19.

Muskogee Technology's President and CEO, Westly L. Woodruff, released the following quote:

"Muskogee Technology is

always looking for new paths to help. We are honored to serve and do what we can during this pandemic. I am proud we have the agility to refocus our equipment, workforce, and other vital resources critically needed to assist our healthcare communities during these trying times."

The equipment will be provided to Baptist Health Care. Baptist's CEO and President Mark Faulkner said: "We are thankful Musk-

ogee Technology can shift their production to gowns for our doctors, nurses and team members. COVID-19 has changed the health care landscape and as we work to provide care to our patients and others we serve, we are grateful this local company can partner with us in this way."

Muskogee Technology delivered their first batch of gowns yesterday. Woodruff began working with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) upon learning of the shortage of PPE necessary to combat COVID-19. In addition to saving lives by stepping up for the healthcare communities, Muskogee Technology is able to retain their 77 employees.



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