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From Our Family to Yours

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Family Owned & Operated Sincere Service Is Our Way of Life

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The Owen Family Difference

Family Newsletter

The Owen family and staff have served the community through funeral care for over 75 years. Our mission is to serve families before, during and after a funeral service. We value the trust families place in us as we care for their loved one.

As a locally owned and family operated funeral home we have deep roots in this community and are committed to serving as a neighbor and friend. We are active in the community and make a personal difference by supporting local causes. We believe in giving back to the community who has trusted us in funeral care for over 75 years.

While Owen has stayed committed to serving the community many people do have questions about what makes Owen different from other homes. Following are questions many have asked.

• Does Owen Funeral Home have experienced funeral directors available on the weekends?

Owen has 17 Licensed Funeral Directors on staff with over 545 years of combined funeral experience. Owen is fully staffed 7 days a week and provides each family with personal care.

• Can Owen Funeral Home offer multiple funeral services at the same time? Yes, the Owen family has expanded the funeral home facilities three times in order to accommodate the growing needs of our families. We are proud to offer a beautiful homelike atmosphere with chapels thoughtfully decorated with flat-screen televisions. We offer a Family Lounge with Internet Access throughout the building and a technology lounge at our Dixie location. Our outdoor space is relaxing with rocking chairs and beautifully landscaped grounds. It is our desire you feel relaxed and comforted while in our home.

• If I prepay my funeral - is my funeral service and merchandise (casket, burial vault, etc.) guaranteed?

This is an important question because not all funeral homes offer this service. Owen guarantees prepaid funeral services and merchandise. When you choose Owen you also choose "Peace of Mind."

Does Owen provide grief support following a loved one's service?

Yes, Owen has full-time staff dedicated to providing grief support groups, individual counseling and pastoral care, educational programs and more. We have dedicated resources to ensure a family's needs are met during their time of sorrow; no matter how many months this may take.

• Does Owen have a Monument Department?

Yes, in 2013 the Owen family decided to add a Monument Department to assist families in addressing their memorialization needs.

If you have questions of your own, please stop by or contact us by phone or email.







Cruisin with Owen

Western Caribbean Cruise on the "Carnival "Dream" February 27 - March 7, 201610 Days – Passport Required!

Prices are per person and vary on occupancy and room type.

Balcony: Single - \$2,379.00

Inside:Single - \$1,849.00 Ocean view – Not allowed

Double - \$1599.00 Double - \$1339.00 in room block.

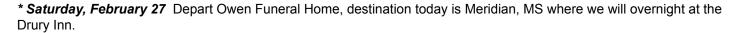
Triple: - \$1,499.00 Triple: - \$1,239.00

Requires a deposit to confirm pricing and reservation.

Deposit Due: \$350.00 per person due August 14, 2015

Final Payment Due: December 4, 2015 (Along with copy of passport)

Price includes: Bus Transportation to New Orleans, (2) Hotel stays with complimentary breakfast, and price of Cruise including taxes.



- * **Sunday, February 28** Breakfast at the hotel. We will depart Meridian at 8:00 am, traveling to New Orleans, LA. Upon arrival we will board the Carnival "Dream" Fun Ship, disembark the port at 4:00 pm.
- * Monday, February 29 & Tuesday, March 1 Fun Day at Sea
- * Wednesday, March 2 Montego Bay, Jamaica from 9:00 am 6:00 pm.
- * Thursday, March 3 Ship Tenders at this port. Grand Cayman Islands from 7:00 am 4:00 pm.
- * Friday, March 4 Cozumel, Mexico from 10:00 am 6:00 pm
- * Saturday, March 5 Today is a Fun Day at Sea
- * **Sunday, March 6** Disembark our Carnival Fun Ship docking in New Orleans at 8:00 am. We will board our Toby Tours motorcoach and travel to Athens, AL for our overnight stay.
- * **Monday, March 7** Continental Breakfast Included. We return home today with memories to cherish a lifetime. We will arrive back in Louisville approximately 4:00 pm.
- ***For reservations please contact Genene Nisbet @ 502-447-7759

For more detailed information, we invite you to visit our website owenfuneralhome.com. Details are listed under Aftercare on the Community Programs.

Michael Burns says, "Thanks!"

Following a devastating house fire, Michael and his children are rebuilding with the help of others. He especially wants to thank those in the community for their prayers and generous outpouring of support. It is in tough times that you often learn how really blessed you are. Thank You!







Stepping Stones 2015 with Brian Free & Assurance

Thursday, September 10th 11:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Valley View Church 8911 Third Street Road – Valley Station



Donations of Personal Care Items for:

- Shively Area Ministries
- South Louisville Community Ministries
- Southwest Community Ministries

The Owen family invites you to Stepping Stones 2015, an annual program sponsored by Owen Funeral Home. If you like southern gospel quartet music, then get ready for an upbeat, moving day with Brian Free & Assurance and a tasty buffet planned by Mark's Feed Store.

This year we again ask that you join in supporting our local area ministries by bringing a donation of personal care items (i.e. tooth brushes, tooth paste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, etc.)

Schedule:

11:30 a.m. Lunch (Free Lunch Ticket Required Due to Limited Seating)

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Brian Free & Assurance Quartet Lunch reservations are limited and required. They may be picked up on August 28 at an Owen Funeral Home location.

Please pre-register by mailing to the attention of Genene Nisbet, Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway, Louisville, KY 40216 or emailing genene.nisbet@owenfuneralhome.com

Rollin' with Owen

Amish Country Montgomery Indiana Thursday, October 8, 2015

Cost: \$69.00 (Make payable to Toby Tours)
Payment due: September 4, 2015

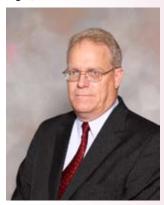
All are welcome! Join us for a fun day get-away. We will board the Toby Tours Bus and travel to Montgomery, IN. Joined by our guide, we will tour the Amish community with a home-cooked meal (included) in an Amish home. We will stop at some of the Amish Stores. Please note: they do not accept debit cards or credit cards – only cash or check. We will arrive back at the Owen Funeral Home approximately 6:00 p.m.

For reservations or info: Genene Nisbet 502-447-7759 or genene.nisbet@owenfuneralhome.com



Meet one of our Owen Family Members...

Mark McNeil Manager, Owen Funeral Home Dixie



Mark joined the Owen Funeral Home Family in 2000. He has been in the funeral business since 1978. He graduated from Mid-America College of Funeral Service in 1982. He is a welcomed addition to our staff. Along with his experience he brings a compassionate presence as he serves families.

Mark is married to the former Valeri Nana. Valeri is now a manager of DXP Imaging- Dixie. They married in 1982 and have lived in the Dixie Highway area their whole lives. They have five children including three daughters Katie, Halle, and Addisyn and two sons Jason and Drew. They have also added a son-in-law Evan and daughter-in-law Sonya and 2 grandsons Zeke and Jett. They are a family that enjoys having fun together.

Mark and Valeri are committed to the Southwest Louisville Community. They attend Valley View Church. They are involved in their youngest daughters', Halle and Addisyn's, sports through Prairie Village Softball, Derby City Crush Softball and Bullitt Athletics Cheer. Mark is also a member of the Valley Masonic Lodge #511.



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Neighborhood News

Grief Support Groups

Provided by Owen Funeral Homes as a Free Public Service

"Transitions"

Group for Bereaved Persons & Families in their first few months of grief Location and times assigned quarterly

"Now and Beyond"

Group for Spousal Loss Every 3rd Friday, 2:00 p.m. Southwest Regional Library (NEW Location) Every 3rd Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. Owen Funeral Home, Jeffersontown

"A Parent's Grief"

1st and 3rd Monday, at 6:30 p.m. Hillview Baptist Church

Monthly Men's Breakfast

Every 3rd Monday, at 9:00 a.m. The Kitchen Restaurant 5300 Cane Run Rd

Monthly Spousal Loss Luncheon

Every 1st Friday, 2:00 p.m. Golden Corral Restaurant, 5362 Dixie Highway

For Information: Please call Genene Nisbet, Bereavement Services Specialist at 447-7759.

You Are Always Welcome -

Owen Funeral Home staff welcomes the opportunity to show you around either of our facilities and to answer any questions you might have. Call the office or stop by.

From Our Kitchen To Yours

by Shannon Mazur

Ham Roll

Here is a quick, fun hit for any occasion:

8 oz. packages of cream cheese
 large package of cooked ham slices
 bunch of green onions
 Pinch of Garlic
 Pinch of Pepper

Mix all ingredients but the ham slices in a bowl. Spread the mix on ham slices. Roll the ham slices with the mixture and cut into 4 rolls. Place toothpick in each if desired.

Serves about 7 – 10 people