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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR



SINCE the publication of the Fall/Winter 2018 issue of the WCGHA Bulletin, several individuals have passed away who were essential in the genealogical and historical aspects of Warren County, Tennessee. Tom Scott and Norman Elrod, dedicated members of the association, have both passed away. Tom Scott died November 24, 2018, and Norman Elrod's death occurred January 8, 2019. Tom Scott was a charter member of the Association and greatly helped with the Association's restoration of McMinnville's Old City Cemetery on High Street. As anyone who worked alongside Tom can acknowledge, Tom was a hard worker and did not care one bit to stand his ground. Tom was knowledgeable about the Irving College Community and its cemeteries and earlier inhabitants of the area. Tom served on the Shiloh Cemetery Committee in the Steppsville community many years.

Norman Elrod, a longtime member of the Association, was a serious collector of Warren County, Tennessee postcards and postal associated items. For many years he collected information on each of Warren County's post offices and was working on articles to be used in the WCGHA Bulletins. Norman had hoped to obtain a postmark from each post office which had ever existed in the county.

In February of this year, Mary Elizabeth Barnes another dedicated genealogist and researcher passed away. Mary Barnes worked in the Tennessee History and Genealogy Room at Magness Library for several years assisting researchers in locating information and helped researchers with their family trees. She assisted Eugene Wiseman with his book *The Warren County Story* which was published in 1995. Much of Mary's genealogical and historical research was given to the Warren County Genealogical and Historical Association and is now available for research in the WCGHA room.

Joe Lee McPeak, who died March 12 of this year, was elected Chairman in January 2003 of *The Heritage of Warren County, TN* book. Joe and his wife, Dora, were involved with the White County edition and then agreed to help with the Warren County edition. The book was published in 2005 after a lot of hard work from the McPeaks and a large group of individuals who gave their time and energy to work on, and complete, this extensive and worthwhile project. Copies of *The Heritage of Warren County, TN* can be purchased through the WCGHA.

To include a Memoriam, or other items of genealogical or historical interest, or suggestions for future articles or improvements, please contact the WCGHA Bulletin Editor.

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