

# Obituaries: January 2016

## JANUARY 1

JAMES ROBERT "JIM" LOOMIS SR., 71, Apopka, died Wednesday, December 23. Mr. Loomis was a funeral director at Loomis Family Funeral Home. He was born in Fairview. Survivors: wife, Betty S.; sons, James R. Jr., Steven P., four grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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GLENN WESLEY PARKER, 71, Apopka, Apopka, died Thursday, December 24. Mr. Parker was a roofer in the construction industry. He was born in Portland, Tennessee. Survivors: brother, Roger, Apopka; sister, Arlene Owens, Portland, Tennessee. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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JOHN R. COOK, 84, Apopka, died Friday, December 25. Mr. Cook was born in Samson, Alabama. Survivors: children, Phil, West Palm Beach, Pam Oldham, Orlando; two grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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VERA SHARPE DUMPH, 100, Orlando died Monday, December 21. Mrs. Dumph was a homemaker. She was born in Uvalda, Georgia. She was a member of Faith Assembly of God, Orlando. Survivors: children, Doris Singleton, Winter Park, Joyce Spencer, Apopka, Wilbur L., Orange City, Sharon Larrimore, Orlando; brother, Howard Sharpe, Lyons, Georgia; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren. Col-lison Family Funeral Home & Crematory, Winter Park.

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PHILIP E. ANDERSON, 71, Lewisville, Texas, died Thursday, December 21. Mr. Anderson was in contract furnishings, selling and installing institutional draperies and window treatments. He was born in Apopka and was a graduate of Apopka

Memorial High School in 1962. He was an Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War. Survivors: wife, Mary Lou; sons, Phil Jr., Michael; brother, John, Apopka; three grandchildren. Dalton and Son Funeral Home, Lewisville.

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LENORA JEAN CUMMINGS, 57, Apopka, died Saturday, December 26. Ms. Cummings was a supervisor in the transportation industry. She was born in Winter Garden. Survivors: parents, Lenora and Billy Cummings, Apopka; son, Matthew, Sanford; siblings, Pamela, Tammy, Kim Haak, all of Apopka. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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HELEN M. BOYLAN, 93, Zellwood, died Monday, December 28. Mrs. Boylan was an account clerk. She was born in Brooklyn, New York. Survivors: children, Carole Gonzalez, Zellwood, Steven R. Bove, Northport, New York, Russel Bove, Longwood; three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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BETTY J. McCARTY, 80, died Monday, December 28. Mrs. McCarty was a security guard. She was born in Kinston, Alabama. Survivors: children, Dianne Tillman, Dwight, both of Apopka; siblings, Louise Grant, Carl Sasser, both of Apopka. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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DONALD THOMAS FOSTER, 65, Apopka, died Sunday, December 27. Mr. Foster was born in Washington, North Carolina. Survivors: wife, Sharon C.; daughter, Doy Lynn Fleetwood, New Smyrna Beach; stepchildren, Belinda Hendrix, Apopka, Larry Fleetwood II, Meigs, Georgia, DeVaughn Fleetwood, Apopka, five grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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ROBERTO "BOBBY" INNOCENZIO CASCARELLA II, 46, Apopka, died Thursday, December 24. He was born in Orlando. Survivors: mother, Zetta Cascarella, Mt. Dora; father, Roberto Cascarella Sr., San Antonio, Texas; siblings, Pennie Carter, Apopka, Debbie Gustavson, North Carolina, April Allen, Ocoee. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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NORA C. MASSEY, 91, Walhalla, South Carolina, formerly of Apopka, died Wednesday, December 30. Mrs. Massey was an Avon representative. She was born in Pickens County, South Carolina. She was a Methodist. Survivors: sisters, Rachel, Martha Finney, both of Walhalla, Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home, Apopka.

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MICHAEL L. AMBROSIO, 44, Apopka, died Monday, December 28. Survivors: wife, Cynthia; children, Amanda M., Ashley M.; parents, Michael and Linda; paternal grandparents; maternal grandparents. Robert Bryant Funeral Service, Orlando.

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FRIEND EVERETT COLLINS, 99, Apopka, died Saturday, January 2. Mr. Collins was a purchasing agent in the aircraft manufacturing industry. He was born in Milford, Connecticut. Survivors: son, Jim, Apopka; six granddaughters; 13 great-grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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TIMOTHY W. HARRISON, 45, Apopka, died Saturday, January 2. Mr. Harrison was cabinetmaker in the carpentry industry. He was born in Orlando. Survivors: wife, Karen; children, Timothy Jr., Billy, Trey, Raelin, all of Apopka; mother, Shirley Cooper, Apopka; siblings, Billy

Ray, Robert, both of Okahumpka, Scotty, Apopka, Amy Lynd, Virginia; one grandchild. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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ERNEST L. HORNE, 79, Orlando, died Thursday, December 31. Mr. Horne was a business owner in the real estate industry. He was born in Jolo, West Virginia. Survivors: wife, Shirley; son, Gregory, Longwood; sister, Evelyn Ruble, Apopka; four grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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KATHERINE GIBSON, 68, Apopka, died January 3, 2016 at Orlando Regional Medical Center. Survivor: son, Matt Wynn. Baldwin Brothers Cremation Society, Apopka.

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HECTOR RAMOS PUEBLA, 55, Apopka, died Friday, January 1. Mr. Puebla was a welder in the construction industry. He was born in San Antonio, Texas. Survivors: son, Hector; siblings, Victoria Chavez, Apopka, Janie Briones, Beatrice, Teresa Estrada, Maria Mecias, Ramon Leal, Felix Jr., Jose, Alejandro, Elias, Francisco. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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PAUL BROOKS, 57, Eustis, died Tuesday, January 5. Mr. Brooks was supervisor in the agricultural industry. He was born in Orlando. Survivors: wife, Jennifer; children, Rob Flannery, Orlando, Jon T., Eustis, Cheyenne, Eustis; siblings, Diane, Henry, Lester, Eddie; Eva Brown, Ellie White, Glen; two grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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BETTY LOU ARNOLD CRAVEN, 89, Longwood, died on Thursday, December 31. Mrs. Craven was a homemaker. She was born in Bristol, Tennessee. She moved to Central Florida in 1952 from Vienna, Virginia. Survivors: sons, Thomas K., Casselberry, Mark P., Franklin, Tennessee; sister, Barbara Ar-

nold, Apopka; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild. Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home, Altamonte Springs.

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MYRTLE P. BLACKWELDER, 96, Apopka, died Thursday, January 14. Mrs. Blackwelder was a homemaker. She was born in High Springs. Survivors: children, Wayne, Apopka, Patricia Wilson, Kingsport, Tennessee, Alicia, Apopka, Sue Woodall, Georgia; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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FLOYD DAVID HARRIS, 65, Sorrento, died Monday, January 11. Mr. Harris was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was born in Ocala. Survivors: wife, Pam; daughters, Candy, Ocala, Mary Lindley, Sorrento; son, Phillip, Gainesville; two grandchildren. Baldwin Cremations, Apopka.

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ALMA RUTH FRITTS, 73, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 12. Mrs. Fritts was a financial supervisor. She was born in Bluff City, Tennessee. She was a member of Wekiwa Springs Baptist Church, Apopka. Survivors: husband, Lawrence; children, Melanie Miller, Elizabethton, Tennessee, son, Troy; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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KATHLEEN L. SPEENBURGH, 71, Apopka, died Monday, January 11. Mrs. Speenburgh was a bank teller. She was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Survivors: children, Roy C., Longwood, James Keopke, Orlando, Denise Homeyer, New York, Sheila, New Hampshire; siblings, Freddie, West Virginia, Vickie May, Jerry O'Brien, both of Apopka; eight grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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UYU LEE, 75, Apopka, died Saturday, January 9. Mr. Lee was a business owner. He was born in Osaka, Japan. Survivors: children, Jae, Las Vegas, Nevada, Jung, Su, both of Apopka, Suong, Boston, Massachusetts; eight grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

GEORGE A. BURROWS, 70, Zellwood, died Sunday, January 10. Mr. Burrows was retired from Michigan Bell. He was born in Southfield, Michigan. He was a member of the Zellwood Station Red Caps and founding member of the Armed Forces Veterans of Zellwood Station. Survivors: wife, Diane,

daughters, Amy, Deanna; son, Devin; stepsons, Michael and Steve Cruickshank; four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren. Baldwin Cremations, Apopka.

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JOHN FOSTER "JACK" REITER SR., 96, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 12. Mr. Reiter was an optician in the optical industry. He was born in Crary, North Dakota. Survivors: children, Barry, Apopka, Bitsi Rose, Ginger Panter, Margi Hall, John Jr., Bernadette, all of Texas, Phil, Utah; siblings, Bert, Salt Lake City, Utah, Joe, Phoenix, Arizona; 18 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

#### JANUARY 22

EVELYN LOUISE REAVES-McCRAY, 67, Apopka, died Thursday, December 31. Mrs. Reaves-McCray was a homemaker. She was born in Apopka. Survivors: daughter, Vickie Wooten, Ft. Lauderdale; sons, William J. Brown Jr., Daric, Orlando; sister, Gloria J. Davis, Apopka; brother, Carlton Reaves, Snellville, Georgia. Unity Memorial Funeral Home, Apopka.

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RUBEN SANTIAGO-PEREZ, 69, Apopka, died Thursday, January 14. Mr. Santiago-Perez was born in Coamo, Puerto Rico. Survivors: wife, Irma Melendez; children, Irma, Lisandra; brothers, Luis, Tomas; four grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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YONEL MEUS, 37, Apopka, died Friday, January 1. Mr. Meus was born in St. Marc, Haiti. Survivors: parents, Viergela Joseph and Tiquel Meus; stepmother, Leanne Meus, Apopka; brothers, Kerlens, Trevon, both of Apopka; sisters, Ketlande, Apopka, Kailey, Tampa, Felicia Bell, Tennessee. Unity Memorial Funeral Home, Apopka.

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NORRIS DAQUAN ADAMS JR., 37, Apopka, died Friday, January 1. Survivors: parents, Diedre Hollis and Norris Adams; grandparent, Hazel Stewart-Hollis, Apopka; sisters, Ayanna, Zamiyah, Apopka; brothers, Raydreon Rowe, Deandre, Apopka. Unity Memorial Funeral Home, Apopka.

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ROBERT DAVID RUDD JR., 47, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 19. Mr. Rudd worked in construction. He was born in Jacksonville. Survivors: parents, Robert "Jack" and Donna, Apopka; son, Adrian P., Ocoee; brother, Danny, Winter Springs; sister, Tammy Brown, Apopka. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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EDWIN FRANKLIN SEWELL, 90,

Cadwell, Georgia, formerly of Apopka, died Friday, December 25. Mr. Sewell was a retired plant manager for the Coca-Cola Company. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. Survivors: daughter, Pat West, Cummings, Georgia; sons, Robert G., Rentz, Georgia, Kirby, Bahama, North Carolina; brothers, Wilber, Winter Haven, Buford, Sorrento; sister, Betty, Ahab, Alabama; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson. Townsend Brothers Funeral Home, Dublin, Georgia.

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ROY JOSEPH DOWLING SR., 71, Apopka, died Thursday, January 14. Mr. Dowling was a business owner. He was born in New Hyde Park, New York. Survivors: wife, Susan; children, R.J., Apopka, Shannon Webster, Chuluota, Nicole Ewing, Apopka; brothers, Bob, Altamonte Springs, Pat, New York; sister, Joyce Yess, New York; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild, Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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#### JANUARY 29

KENNETH M. 'KEN' PITSKY, 60, Apopka, died Thursday, January 21. Mr. Pitsky worked in quality control in the fasteners industry. He was born in Yonkers, New York, and moved to Central Florida in 1989. Survivors: wife, Marilyn; sons, Michael, DeLand, Phillip, Bristow, Virginia; sister, Lorraine Walter, Ft. Pierce; nine grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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ELLA FRANCES SUMMERLIN, 80, Apopka, died Friday, January 22. Mrs. Summerlin worked in electronics. She was born in Uvalda, Georgia. Survivors: children, Doyle L., Danny L., Dolores A. Patten; siblings, Mary Letos Gilbert, Leland Martin Willis; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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JOHN J. TUNNEY, JR., 75, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 26. Mr. Tunney was in sales. He was born in Avella, Pennsylvania. Survivors: wife, Bonnie; children, Amy Baker, Lynne Crossland, Matthew; sisters, Kathleen Wilson, Patricia Bassler; seven grandchildren. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.

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REBECCA LAWSON 'BECKY' BRANHAM, 62, St. Cloud, died Friday, January 15. Mrs. Branham was an electronics assembler for Lockheed Martin Corporation. She was born in Akron, Ohio. She was Protestant. Survivors: husband, Richard A.,

Jr.; mother, Lillian Honeycutt, Apopka; daughter, Crystal L., St. Cloud; sons, Clinton H., St. Cloud, Christopher J., Orlando; sisters, Marsha Lambert, Orlando, Joanna Bowyer, Texas; four grandchildren. Conrad & Thompson Funeral Home, Kissimmee.

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HELEN W. BRYAN, 94, Apopka, died Monday, December 28. Survivors: children, Grady Chappell, Helen Cochran, Tommy Chappell, Linda Bush; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great-grandchildren. DeGusipe Funeral Home and Cremation, Maitland.

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MICHAEL RAY SIMPSON, 60, Apopka, died Tuesday, January 26. Mr. Simpson worked in the construction industry. He was born in Chicago, Illinois. Survivor: wife, Roberta. Loomis Family Funeral Home, Apopka.