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# Burton Lee Nation, 1945-2015

[Editor's note: This issue of Checkmark is dedicated to the memory of a dear friend who was taken from us much too soon.]

**Burton Lee Nation**, 69, of Shelbyville, veteran, farmer, husband, father, grandfather, professional firefighter, car enthusiast, Kentucky Colonel, and generally agreed upon fantastic man died Friday, the 13th day of November, 2015, at Baptist Health Louisville, surrounded by his wife and daughters. His death occurred after a short bout with cancer on World Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Day. Those who knew Burt should not be surprised that he went out fighting.



Burt impacted many during his time with the Louisville Fire Department through his fearless, heroic nature where he rose to the rank of captain. After his retirement in 1993, he continued farming and turned to his love of restoring and driving antique cars. He could often be seen cruising

the back roads across the United States and Canada driving one of his classic automobiles. His memberships included the Central Kentucky Model A Restorers Club. A generous man, he was known by his friends, family, and neighbors for his tireless work ethic, fantastic sense of humor, and amazing dancing skills. He outworked men half his age. He would wrestle a bull, plow a field, and pull a tractor from a pond before driving five hours to cheer at his grandson's basketball game. He was never too busy to help someone in need, lending a weekend of his time the way most people lend spare change.

He will be greatly missed by his friends and family. Everyone who had the privilege of meeting Burt would agree that the world has lost one of its best. He shone so brightly that the world is a dimmer place without him; even his doctor wept as he passed. His survivors include his loving wife of over forty-seven years, **Rita Nation**

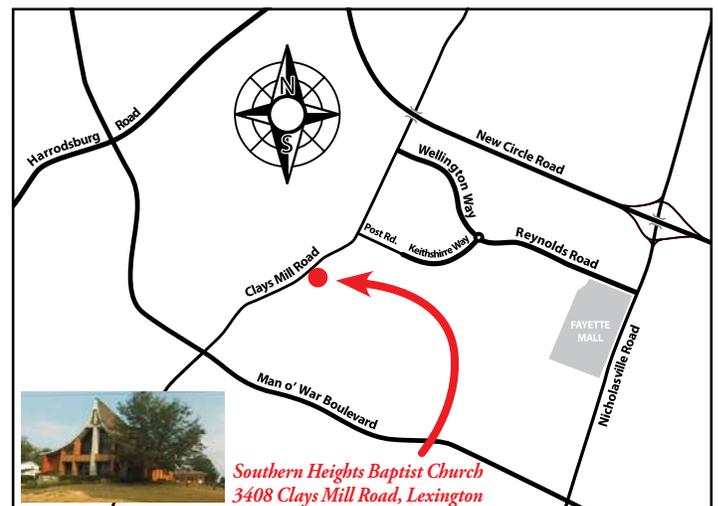
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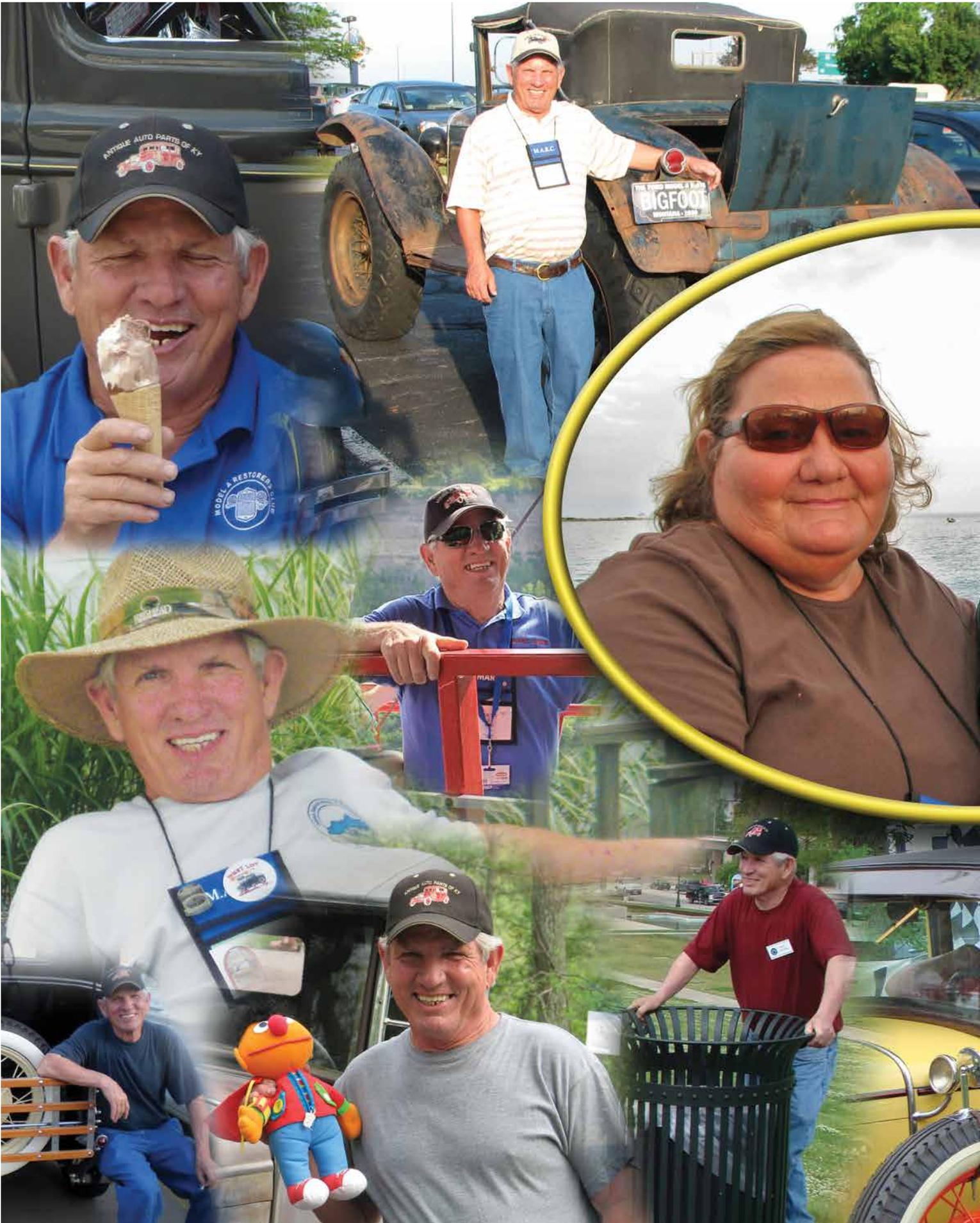
## CKMARC holiday potluck luncheon is Dec. 12

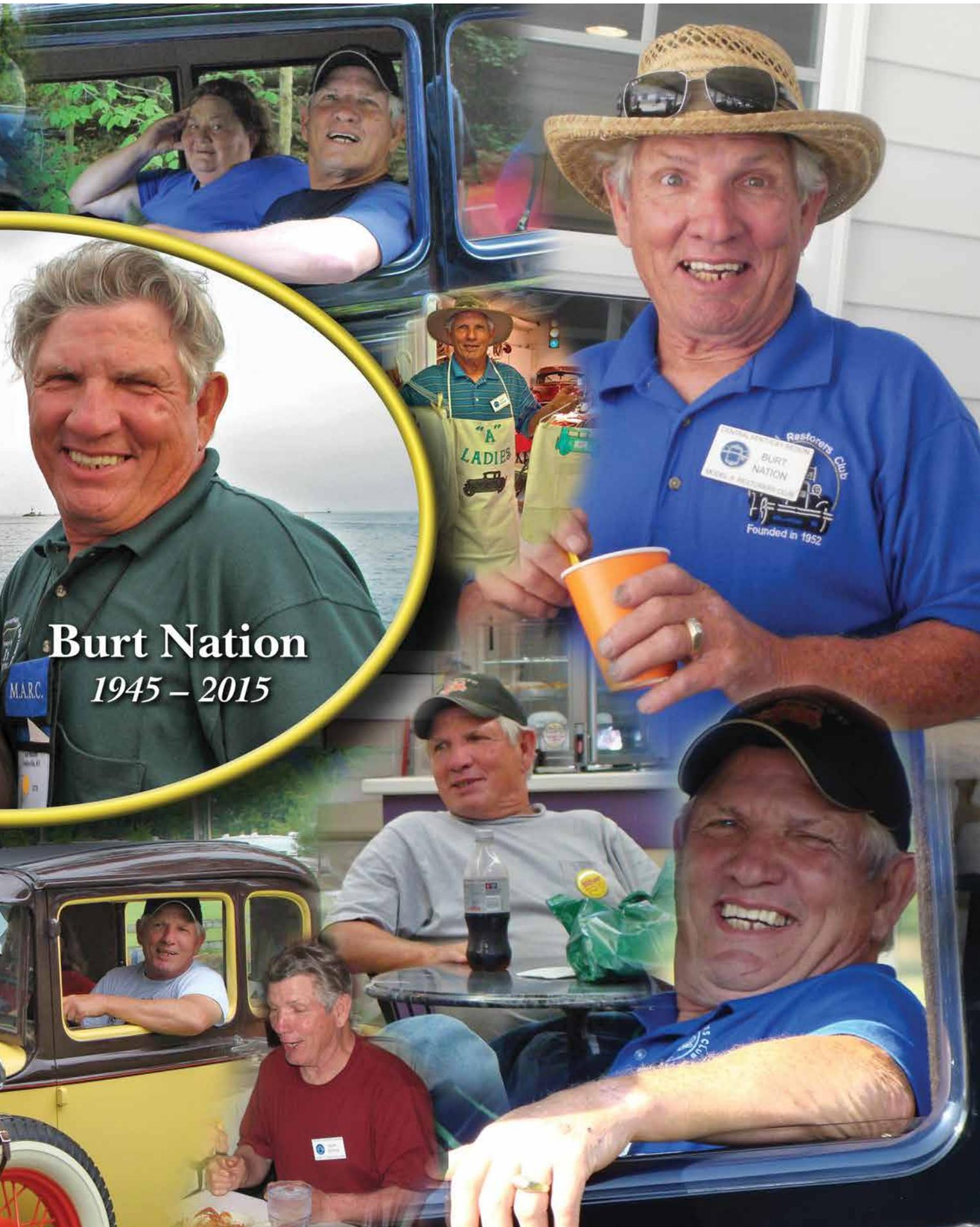
Southern Heights Baptist Church, 3408 Clays Mill Road, Lexington, will be the site of our annual Christmas potluck and auction on Dec. 12. **John and Karen Blair** and **Jeff and Mary Rhoads** will again serve as hosts.

Lunch will be served at about noon (but earlybirds can get a head start on the fellowship). Afterward, there will be a short business meeting, election of officers and directors, and silent auction. Be sure to bring your items to donate for the auction. Proceeds go directly to help offset club operating expenses.

The club will provide meat, plates, cups, napkins, and drinks. Please bring a potluck dish to share (don't forget a serving utensil, too). Treasurer **Mike Tearney** will be available to collect your \$20 dues for 2015.







**Burt Nation**  
*1945 – 2015*

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Restorers Club  
**BURT NATION**  
MEMBER & RESTORER  
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# Burt Nation

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of Shelbyville; his two daughters, Sylvia McCarty and her husband, Reverend Jeff McCarty, of Lyndon, and Dr. Lori Nation and her husband, Jerry Legrand, II, of Simpsonville; and his two grandchildren, Luke McCarty and Hannah McCarty.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the First Baptist Church of Fisherville or any act of kindness to others in the manner that Burton Nation demonstrated during his life. May his memory live eternally.

— *Hall-Taylor Funeral Home*



## Thanks

I would like to express a heartfelt thank you for all the cards and calls after the passing of my mother. The vase filled with fall colored cut flowers sent by the club filled our kitchen with love and friendship. We have always felt the club was family, but it became clearer and the bond stronger after our loss. Warm regards, **Judy Brumfield**

## Sympathy

Martha L. Humphries, 100, died Nov. 27. She was the mother of **Sam Humphries** and grandmother of **Sam Humphries, Jr.** We offer our sincere condolences to **Sam, Eleanor, and Sam, Jr.**

## For Sale

1930 Model A coupe with rumble seat. Blue with yellow wheels and whitewall tires. Asking \$14,000 or best offer. Contact **Sue Sperry** at (502) 459-4133 (Louisville area).

## For Sale

1929 Ford phaeton. \$22,500. Contact **Gene Brown** at (859) 358-9040 (Richmond).



## ‘MARC’ your calendar

- ✓ **Dec. 12** — CKMARC holiday potluck luncheon and election of officers at Southern Heights Baptist Church in Lexington. See details on page 1.
- ✓ **Jan. 23, 2016** — Winter potluck gathering at the Rabbit Run Recreation Center in Lexington (**Delmer and Linda Dalton**).