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Mom, Dad Jamie, Josh, Cole & Chloe

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# Republican frontrunner for governor to attend meet and greet in Hoopeston Saturday

The Republican frontrunner in the 2022 gubernatorial race is expected to be in Hoopeston Saturday.

Darren Bailey, of Xenia, will be at McFerren Park during Saturday's Learn & Lead Academy Color Run.

The meet & greet will allow area residents to meet Bailey who, in the first poll of the election season, is handily ahead of his fellow hopefuls.

The Chicago-based Ogden & Fry poll was conducted

October 3-4, with 404 respondents. Of those, 347 said they would "definitely" vote in the 2022 GOP primary in June, with 37 voting "maybe" and 18 "unlikely.

The poll asked, "If the gubernatorial primary were held today, for whom would you vote." The Republican field included Bailey, who received 134 votes, or 33.3 percent. Jesse Sullivan, who recently declared his candidacy, came in second at 6.2 percent, 25 votes. Gary Rabine came in at 5.2 percent, or 21 votes, and Paul Schimpf and "other" at three percent, with 12 votes each.

While Bailey is ahead of the pack of declared candidates, "undecided" is leading the race with 49.3 percent -

Bailey, 55, currently represents the 55th district in the state senate, where he is the leading Republican on the ag

See FRONTRUNNER on other side



### Almost done

A Silver Bros. excavator is still Wednesday evening after another day of dismantling the former Hoopeston Plumbing and Heating building, 219 S. Market. After the late Brian Suiter took ownership in 2007, part of the second floor collapsed. Mr. Suiter then removed the rest of the upper level brick by brick. In August 2020, the north wall collapsed, injuring Mr. Suiter and sending bricks into the alleyway. Mr. Suiter later died of his injuries His heirs were contacted about the structure but did not respond to city officials.







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#### **Obituaries**

HAMMER - Holley "Dale" Hammer, most commonly known as "Unc," 78, of Potomac, passed away at 7:49 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021, at Carle Foundation Hospital, in Urbana.

Holley was born March 5, 1943, in Lafayette, IN, the son of Holley Houston and Tommie Mae (Kingrey) Hammer.

He is survived by two sons, Holley D. Hammer Jr., of Franklin KY, and Joseph Hammer of Oklahoma.; two daughters, Erikka Dalye Hammer and Amanda Mounts both of West Lafayette IN, five grandchil-



HOLLEY HAMMER

dren, Katie Jo Hammer, Victor Hammer, Liam Laplante, Jonathan Rodriguez and Emily Wheeldon. He is also survived by five sisters, Linda S. (Dave) Ferney of Lafayette, Patricia A. (Ron) Howard of Lafayette, Rebecca K. Riggins of Odin IN, Jaqueline (Doug) Moorefield of Sheldon IL and Cynthia B. (Robert) White of Richmond IN.

#### **Frontrunner** continued from other side

committee. He supports reopening the state economy and schools, is pro-life and pro 2A and supports fiscal responsibility. More information is available at baileyforillinois.com.

The run/walk will be held from 9 a.m. -12:30 p.m. and along with the run/walk, will feature vendors and a silent auction. Admission is \$5.



**BAILEY** 

## – *Briefly* Addiction recovery group

Addiction recovery group for men. 6 p.m. Sundays in Rossville. Call or text 217-304-4211 or 217-260-1361 for details.

#### Weather

Chance of thunderstorms/showers today. High 76. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 68. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 80, low 66. Sunday, mostly sunny. High 84, low 66.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly with special mention of nieces Brenda Cannon, Sandy Barnes and great niece Stephanie Kitchens, who provided him with health and home throughout his years in later life.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Holley "Hoop" Houston Hammer and two sisters, Wanda Jean Kitchens and Doris June Hall.

Holley worked as a carpenter and then later as a truck driver for most of his life. He settled down in the small town of Potomac where he enjoyed sitting on the front porch visiting with people or taking strolls uptown, he never met a stranger. He was a jokester with a wonderful sense of humor. Holley had quite the inquisitive personality. He enjoyed the little things in life like a simple car ride. He also enjoyed Facebook, solitaire, crossword puzzles and going to church.

Holley was a loving father, brother, uncle, and friend and will be greatly missed by many.

A Celebration of Holley's life will be held at 11:30 a.m.

EST. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Tri-County Baptist Church, 307 S. 3rd Street Ambia, IN 47917, with Pastor Daniel Meece officiating. Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, at the church.

Cremation rites have been accorded by the Blurton Funeral Home, in Potomac. Condolences may be shared with the family on his everlasting memorial page at: www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com.



## **Classifieds**

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#### **RUMMAGE SALES**

HOOPESTON: 853 E. McCracken. Sat., 8-4. Furniture, Christmas items, household, tools, games, books. Too much to list all!

HOOPESTON: 310 E. Main (inside building). Fri. & Sat., 8-7 Multi family sale! Something for everyone!