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Willard Dean Kelley, son of the late Charles Kelley and Ethel Young Kelley was born on October 24, 1935 in Bloomfield, Missouri and departed this life on September 16, 2016 at the Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter at the age of 80 years.

Mr. Kelley was a member of the Liberty Hill General Baptist Church in Aid, Missouri and served in the United States Army National Guard. Willard was a former employee of Purolator, Rick Shipman Construction, and a Farmer. He also had a passion for Circle Track Racing and was an avid hunter.

On May 30, 1954 he was united in marriage to Janice Wilkison in Acorn Ridge, Missouri. Mrs. Kelley survives of the home in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Besides his wife, survivors include four daughters, Peggy Jones of Bloomfield, Missouri; Donna Cookson and husband Tony of Advance, Missouri, Barbara Shipman and husband Rick of Dexter, Missouri, Stacy Tucker and husband Corey of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by six grandchildren, Michael McCollum, James McCollum, Travis Jones, Bud Shipman, Grace Shipman, and Tyler Tucker; by six great-grandchildren, Cheyene McCollum, Dylan Boyer, Colton McCollum, Jager McCollum, Raegan Shipman, and Anslee Shipman; three sisters, Betty Stevens and Ellen LaMar both of Imperial, Missouri, and Pat Phillips of Dexter; also by other relatives and many close friends.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Billy Gene Kelley and

Eddie Wayne Kelley. [SUBSCRIBE TO "OBITUARIES"](#)

Visitation will be held  until 12:00 Noon
at the Lighthouse Christi **ShowMe Gold Sponsors**

Funeral services will then be conducted on Tuesday at 12:00 Noon with Rev. Tim Russell officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield with full military rites.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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