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Doyle Cronan

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Doyle Cronan was born June 18, 1947 in Portageville, Missouri, the son of Edna Mae Davis and Bob Kyle Cronan. He passed away on May 25, 2011 at his home in Concord, Missouri at the age of 63 years, 11 months and 7 days.

He was united in marriage to Bettie Ruth Bell of Hayti, Missouri on March 25, 1971. From this union, a son, Doyle Kyle Cronan was born. Doyle also was the proud second father to Linda kay Ritcheson (Butler), Sara Elizabeth Ritcheson (Young) and Robert Lee Ritcheson.

Doyle was someone who loved to help people. In additon to being employed at the University of Missouri Delta Center for over 30 years, he also served 20 plus years in the Missouri National Guard, The United States Army in Vietnam and Operation Desert Storm,the U.S. Department of Commerce and the United States of America with numerous commendations.

Preceding him death were his father, Bob Kyle Cronan and one brother, Walter Scott. He leaves the following to cherish his memories: his mother, Edna Mae Cronan of Concord, MO, His children: Ms. Linda Ritcheson (Butler) of Dyersburg, TN, Mr. Kyle Cronan of St. Louis, MO, Ms. Sarah Ritcheson (Young) of Elizabethtown, Ky, Mr. Robert Ritcheson of Concord, MO. Two brothers: Alfred Scott of Almo, TN, James Cronan of Concord, MO. Two sisters: Alice ritcheson of Concord, MO, Joy Hoffmeister of Jackson, MO, numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of other dear relatives and friends

Visitation will be held from 6 - 9 p.m., Friday, May 27 t the DeLisle Funeral Home in Portageville. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, May 28 at the Dry Bayou Church in Portageville.

DeLisle Funeral Home of Portageville in charge of arrangements.

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Eva Dowdy

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Eva Mae Dowdy, daughter of the late Leslie Payne and Lorene Triplett Payne, was born on January 31, 1932 in Shawnee Town, Illinois and departed this life at her residence in Dexter on May 25, 2011 at the age of 79.

Mrs. Dowdy was a member of the Risen Church in Dexter, was a volunteer at the O.A.K.S. Senior Center, was a former employee of Elders Manufacturing, a former custodian at the First Baptist Church in Dexter and a resident of Dexter.

She was united in marriage to Wendall Dowdy on November 29, 1952 in Piggott, Arkansas. Mr. Dowdy preceded her in death on April 7, 2008.

She is survived by two sons, Larry Lee Dowdy of Fulton and Jimmy Glen Dowdy and wife Carla of Dexter; by one daughter, Kathy Jean Roberts and husband Michael of Evansville, Indiana; by one sister, Joann Patterson of Columbia; by five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one sister, Shirley Simpson.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 5 - 8 p.m., Friday, May 27, 2011. Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m., Saturday, May 28, 2011 in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Joshua Carpenter officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Emily Frances Street

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Emily Frances Street, daughter of the late William Thomas and Nellie Elizabeth (Ogilvie) Sutton, passed away at her home in Bloomfield, Missouri on May 25, 2011, at the age of 75 years.

She was born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on May 25, 1936. On February 25, 1954, she was united in marriage to Tremayne Street in Tunica Mississippi.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Tremayne Street; daughter, Paula Eubanks and husband, Eddy, of Dexter, Missouri; son, Tom Street and wife, Tammy of Bloomfield, Missouri; daughter, Natalie Evans and husband Ernie of Dexter, Missouri; and daughter, Elizabeth Street of Bloomfield, Missouri. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, Shana Klipfel, Shane Eubanks, Erica Cain, Zach Cain, Blake Kimbrough, Emily Hayes and Hunter Taul, as well as four great grandchildren, Will and Wes Klipfel and Jade and Brianna Cain. She is also survived by two brothers, Bob Sutton and wife, Edra of Burns Flat, Oklahoma and Paul Sutton and wife, Barbara of Marion, Illinois; by five nieces and nephews, other family members and friends.

Besides her parents she was preceded in death by two infant brothers, James Loren and Billy Wayne Sutton; and her grandparents, Walter and Fannie (McKinnis) Sutton and Zelotes and Amanda Emily (Miller) Ogilvie.

She lived in numerous towns across the midwest until her family settled in Dexter when she was bout 14 years old. She attended and graduated from Dexter High School in 1954, and received degrees in Special Education, a Masters in Education Administration and Nursing from Southeast Missouri State University. She loved working as a nurse and was currently employed by Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter. In recent years she accepted Christ as her personal Savior and drew spiritual comfort from her visits with Dr. Odus Eubanks.

Visitation will be held at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield on Saturday, May 28, 2011, at 5 p.m.

Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, May 29, 2011, at 3 p.m., in the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home with Dr. Odus Eubanks, Pastor of Ellington Methodist Church of Ellington, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bloomfield Cemetery with Pall Bearers, Shane Eubanks, Eddy Eubanks

, Zach Cain, Blake Kimbrough, Ernie Evans and Matt Klipfel.

Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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George Melvin "Jim" & Mary Louise Owens

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George Melvin "Jim" Owens, son of the late Abe and Elizabeth Grey Owens, was born in Kimundy, Illinois on August 17, 1920, and passed away in Georgia on March 2, 2011, at the age of 90 years.

Mary Louise Owens, daughter of the late Lawrence and Bessie Baird West, was born in Essex, Missouri on September 18, 1924, and passed away in Georgia on March 20, 2011, at the age of 86 years.

Mr. & Mrs. Owens had lived in Essex, Missouri for many years before moving to Darien, Georgia several years ago. They were of the Baptist faith and Mr. Owens was veteran of the U. S. Navy. Mr. Owens was retired from Arvin Automotive and Mrs. Owens had worked on a river boat as a cook.

On May 16, 1942, they were married in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Surviving are one son, Roy Wayne Owens of Townsend, Georgia; and one brother of Mr. Owens, LeRoy Owens of St. Louis, Missouri. Other relatives and many friends also survive. Mr. Owens was preceded in death by four brothers, Don, Dan, Fred and Ira Owens. Mrs. Owens was preceded in death by five brothers, Louie, Leonard, Ernest, Harold and Eugene West; and six sisters, Maxine Bitler, Fay Autrey, Nettie Vickery, Daisy Smith, Irene Alderman and Mildred Rhodes.

Visitation will be Monday, May 23, 2011, after 10 a.m., at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Memorial Funeral services will be held Monday, May 23, 2011, at 11 a.m., at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. Doyle Corlew of Dexter, Missouri officiating.

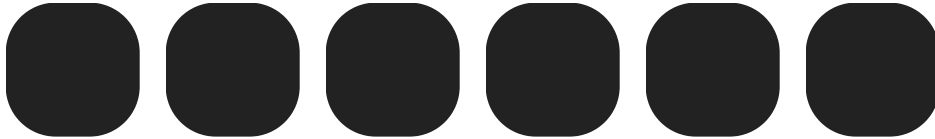
Interment will be in the Essex Cemetery in Essex, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at **www.watkinsfuneralhome.com**

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Levella Gold

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Levella Gold, daughter of the late Charles Roscoe Farmer and Lucy Ruggles Farmer was born on February 4, 1916 at Falls City, Nebraska and died on May 17, 2011 at the St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau at the age of 95.

Mrs. Gold was a food service employee for the Chaffee School District, a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Dexter and a resident in Dexter.

She was united in marriage to Carl J. Baker, Mr. Baker preceded her in death. She was then united in marriage to Earl Gold, Mr. Gold preceded her in death.

She is survived by one daughter, Carla Ruth Schepper of Gordonville, Missouri; by one brother, Allen Farmer of Dexter; by two sisters, Yvonne Taylor of Wappapello, Missouri and Frankie Kinder of Dexter; by nine grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Besides her two husbands and parents she was preceded in death by two daughters, Charlotte A. Cook and Donna Rodriguez; by six brothers, Charles I. Farmer, Jim Farmer,

Raymond Farmer, Robert Farmer and Earl and Earnest Farmer in infancy and by four sisters, Roxine Terrill, Hortense Davis, Lawanda Farmer and Ruth Elledge.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, May 20, 2011 from 5 until 8 p.m. Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 10 a.m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

Interment will follow in the Caroline Dowdy cemetery.

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