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Carolyn Burns

JULY 07TH 2011 BY UNKNOWN

Carolyn Burns

Carolyn Burns, daughter of the late Herman Woodall and Lilly Dubois Woodall was born on April 2, 1941 at Jackson County, Alabama and departed this life in the Golden Living Center at Bloomfield on July 7, 2011 at the age of 70.

Mrs. Burns was a home-maker and resident of Bloomfield.

She was united in marriage to Luther Burns Jr. on January 24, 1958 at Dexter. Mr. Burns preceded her in death on December 12, 2003.

Survivors include two sons and daughter-in-laws, Randy and Sheri Burns and Kenny and Mary Ellen Burns all of Bloomfield: by three grandchildren, Amy Graham, Ryan Burns and Kayla Burns: by six great-grandchildren, Austin Eskew, Adison Musgrave, Isaiah Graham, Gracie Burns, Rylee Burns and Veronica Burns: by two brothers, Gene Woodall of Matthews and Pete Woodall of the State of Alabama: by four sisters, Nina Reed of Jackson, Gail Gibson of Dexter, Nancy Cooper of Bloomfield and Cathy DeMeyer of St. Louis: by other relatives and friends.

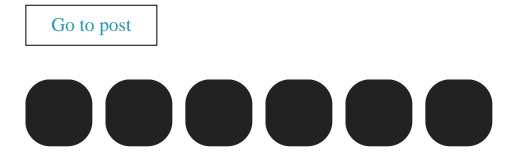
Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Paula Kay Burns: by two sisters, Virginia Masters and Wanda Atchley.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 5 until 8 p.m., Friday, July 8, 2011. Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 9, 2011 in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Buddy Heaton officiating. Interment will

follow in the Walker Cemetery.

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Orval E. "Monk" Harrison

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Orval E. "Monk" Harrison, son of the late Charles Wesley and Mary Agatha McFarland Harrison was born May 1, 1914, and reared in Sikeston, Missouri, and passed away at Saint Thomas Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee, on July 2, 2011, at the age of 97 years, 2 months and 1 day.

On January 27, 1945, he was married to Lena McKenzie in Piggott, Arkansas. She preceded him in death on February 13, 2011.

Surviving are one daughter, Hannah Jane Harrison of Brentwood, Tennessee; one sister, Maxine Berkbigler of Floresville, Texas; one brother-in-law, Wayne McKenzie of Parma, Missouri; and seventeen beloved nieces and nephews, other relatives, and friends. In addition to his parents and wife he was preceded in death by three brothers; Emory, Norval and Charles Harrison.

Orval was owner and operator of Harrison Farms at Parma, Missouri, where he was actively engaged in the business to 90 years of age. He raised corn, milo, soybeans, cotton, wheat, and horses. However, Orval was known throughout the U. S. for raising the finest beef cattle. His adept hand at raising beef cattle attracted buyers from all over the country and prompted the owner of South Memphis Stockyards to publicly declare his cattle to the the finest beef cattle to ever pass through the gates. Also, he was an avid hunter spending countless hours training his hunting dogs and proving his prowess on quail hunting expeditions with dear friends.

Most importantly, Orval Harrison was a very generous man in coming to the aid of those less fortunate, and he fed the needy with his beef. No one coming to his door seeking help was turned away.

He accepted Christ publicly at a Billy Graham Crusade in Nashville, TN, and in recent years, he was a highly respected member of the Brentwood, TN, community being honored with a Tennessee State Senate Resolution as one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens.

Visitation will be held Friday, July 8, 2011, after 10 a.m., at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Parma, Missouri.

Services will be held Friday, July 8, 2011, at 1 p.m., in the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Parma, Missouri, with Allen Tesreau of Campbell, Missouri, and the Rev. Roy Sherfield of Dexter, Missouri, officiating.

Interment will be in the Park Cemetery in Malden, Missouri, with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Parma, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

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

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Geneva Zengerle Pruitt

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Geneva Kathleen Zengerle Pruitt, daughter of the late James Wyatt Bailey and Lillie Ann Hayes Bailey, was born on January 28, 1918 at Aid, Missouri and departed this life in the Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter on July 4, 2011 at the age of 93.

Mrs. Pruitt was a member of the First Baptist Church in Dexter, a member of the JOY Club at First Baptist Church, a member of the Daughters of The American Revolution, the former owner of Doc's Restaurant at Lake Wappapello and a resident of Dexter.

She was first united in marriage to Louie Cleatus Norman at Sugar Tree. Mr. Norman preceded her in death in March of 1939. She was then united in marriage to Harris "DOC" Zengerle on July 3, 1943 at Dexter. Mr. Zengerle preceded her in death on December 17, 1973.

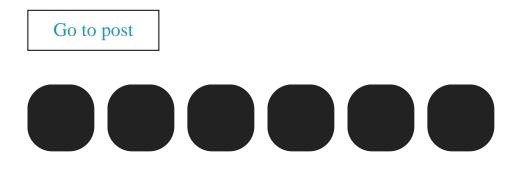
She is survived by two daughters, Helen Jane Norman Hertzog of Greenwood, Missouri and Louise Norman Stevens of Dexter: by seven grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Besides her husbands and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Jesse Bailey and Woodrow Bailey: by five sisters, Edna Anderson, Ora Almond, Iva Chasteen, Lucille Bland and Allene Stohlton.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from Noon until 1:30 p.m., Thursday, July 7, 2011. Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:30 p.m., in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Dr. Steve Easterwood officiating. Interment will follow in the Harper Cemetery at Aid.

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Velda Irvin

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Velda "Rinky" Irvin, daughter of the late Rube and Lora Lewis Duncan, was born in Buffington, Missouri on January 22, 1932, and passed away at the Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri on June 28, 2011, at the age of 79 years, 5 months and 6 days. She had lived in Morehouse, Missouri most of her life and was a member of American Legion Ladies Auxiliary in Sikeston. She had retired from National Lock in Sikeston and then worked for 13 years at the Standard Democrat Newspaper in Sikeston.

On February 3, 1957, she was married to Robert L. Irvin in Holly Springs, Mississippi. He preceded her in death on April 21, 1985.

Surviving are two sons, Donnie Vent of Jackson, Tennessee, Jeffery Vent of Sikeston, Missouri; two daughters, Sherri Kerr of Wildwood, Missouri, Gayle Childs of Morehouse, Missouri; eight grandchildren; two great grandchildren; one brother, Glyn Duncan of Long Beach, California. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters in infancy.

Graveside funeral services will be held on Thursday, June 29, 2011, at 11 a.m., in the Essex Cemetery in Essex, Missouri.

Interment will follow 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.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 201 N New Madrid, Sikeston MO 63801.

Pall Bearers will be Brian Vent, Kevin Vent, Zachary Kerr, Adam Kerr, Scott Turner and Aaron Baughn.

Watkins and sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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Leona Hunt

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Leona Hunt

Leona Hunt, daughter of the late Len and Clara Casey Wilburn, was born in Lavalle, Missouri on July 18, 1922, and passed away at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri on June 26, 2011, at the age of 88 years, 11 months and 8 days.

Leona had lived in Lavalle and Parma, Missouri before moving to Dexter in 1975. She was a member of the First General Baptist Church in Dexter, Missouri.

On October 10, 1942, she was married to Jr. C. Hunt in Charleston, Missouri. He preceded her in death on April 17, 1988.

Surviving are two sons, Kenneth Tucker and Curtis Hunt both of Dexter, Missouri, nineteen grandchildren; and fifteen great grandchildren. Many other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by two sons, Doyle and Wayne Hunt; three brothers and one sister.

Friends may visit on Wednesday, June 29, 2011, after 11 a.m., at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

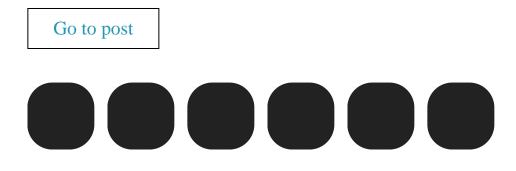
Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2011, at 1 p.m., in the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. Kenneth Biggs of Dexter, Missouri officiating.

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

Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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