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# Bonnie Lee Bess

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Bonnie Lee Bess, daughter of the late J. O. and Maude Bowling Hunter, was born April 22, 1920, in Clinton, Arkansas and passed away at her home in Bloomfield on October 23, 2011, at the age of 91 years, 6 months and 1 day.

Mrs. Bess had lived in Bloomfield for many years and attended the Trinity United Methodist Church in Bloomfield.

She was first married to George Eldon Boswell in 1937. He preceded her in death in 1963. On December 24, 1968, she was married to Gerald M. Bess. He preceded her in death on December 13, 2007.

Surviving are one daughter, Connie Pixley of Bloomfield; three sons & wives, Carroll & Deann Boswell of Bowling Green, Kentucky, Eldon & Suzanne Boswell of Scott City, Tom & Shirley Boswell of Puxico; by one step son, Dennis Bess of Bloomfield, Missouri; fourteen grandchildren; twenty-five great grandchildren; two brothers, Doyne Hunter of Centralia, Missouri, Clark Hunter of Eldon, Missouri; four sisters, Jeanette McLaughn of Bakersville, California, Billie Mae Hunt of Scottsdale, Arizona, Lanora Shrum of Cape Girardeau, and Josephine Dicknite of Centralia, Missouri. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by two sons, Billy Joe Boswell and Jay Boswell, and two brothers, Ovid and Jerry Hunter.

Friends may call on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, after 11 a.m., at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield.

Funeral services will be on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, at 1 p.m., in the Chiles-Cooper

Funeral Home in Bloomfield with the Rev. Susan Hoyle of Bloomfield officiating.

Interment will be in the Oak Ridge Cemetery in Kennett, Missouri with Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield in charge of arrangements.

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

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# Harlan Foster

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Harlan Foster, son of the late Issac Howard and Susie Foster, was born in Pocahontas, Arkansas on March 8, 1931, and passed away at the Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on October 21, 2011, at the age of 80 years, 7 months and 13 days.

He had lived in the Sikeston area before moving to Puxico 49 years ago. He attended the Hobbs Chapel United Methodist Church near Puxico and was a member of the V.F.W. He was a row crop and livestock farmer and enjoyed

camping and being with his grandchildren.

On August 25, 1951, he was married to Nora Launa Long in Piggott, Arkansas. She preceded him in death on March 15, 1978.

Surviving are his companion, Evadeen Choat of Puxico, Missouri, one son and wife, Jeff & Brenda Foster of Puxico, Missouri; four daughters and husbands, Pat & David Holloway of Puxico, Missouri, Kathy & David Watkins of Oran, Missouri, Janet & Bob Muckerman of St. Louis, Missouri, Leslie & Tony Martin of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; eleven grandchildren, Patrick Holloway, Nathan & Jannette Walk, Jason & Rachel Watkins Meystedt, Ethan & Heather Watkins, Jacob Muckerman, Dan & Jessica Muckerman Presson, Zack Martin, Molly Martin, Matt & Miranda Foster, Mark Foster, Hannah Foster; three great grandchildren, Taylor, Presley & Ella; two brothers, Harold Foster of Bloomfield, Missouri, George Foster of Puxico, Missouri; two sisters, Kathryn Ruble of Kansas City, Missouri and Charlene Griffin of Chaffee, Missouri. Other relatives and many friends also survive. He was preceded in death by one grandson, John Jesse Walk, and two sisters, Joann Foster and Mary Wooley.

Visitation will be Sunday, October 23, 2011, from 5 until 8 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Monday, October 24, 2011, at 11 a.m., at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Puxico, Missouri with the Rev. Kenneth Lambert of Bloomfield, Missouri and the Rev. Glenn Epps of Puxico, Missouri officiating.

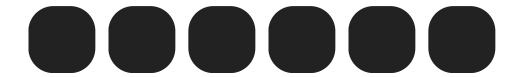
Interment will be in the Rock Hill Cemetery near Puxico, Missouri with full Military Honors conducted. Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Puxico, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

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

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# Harold E. Jones

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Harold E. Jones, son of the late William Harrison and Jessie Marie Clark Jones, was born in Fisk, Missouri on January 24, 1923, and passed away at the Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on October 20, 2011, at the age of 88 years, 8 months and 26 days.

He had lived in Nebraska and Iowa and returned to the Puxico area in 1963 where he lived until moving to Poplar Bluff recently. He was a member of the United Methodist Church. He had worked as a lineman for Chicago and Northwestern before he retired and was a farmer. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army serving during WW II.

On January 26, 1946, he was married to Evelyn Irene Mansbridge in Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Surviving are his wife, Evelyn Irene Jones of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; two daughters & husbands, Sandra Kay & Harold DePew of Walworth, Wisconsin, Carolyn & Bob Fisher of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; one son, John & Pat Biltoft of Mountain Home, Arkansas; a special adoptee, Ernie Woodall of Clarkton, Missouri, five grandchildren and spouses, Jeremy Asher, Will & Leslie Asher, Aaron & Chris Asher, Jessica & Joel Murphy, Bobbi Jo & Heath Lance; thirteen great grandchildren, Erika, Kynlee, Chad, Bailey, Dylan, Logan, Mason, Nolan, Austin, Mackenzie, Natalie, Gavin and Brooklyn; one sister, Isabel Clark of Valejo, California; and two brothers, Donald Jones of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, Willis Jones of Piedmont, Missouri. Other relatives and many friends also survive. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Linda Kay Jones.

Visitation will be Saturday, October 22, 2011, after 12 noon at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, October 22, 2011, at 2 p.m., at the Puxico Cemetery in Puxico, Missouri with the Rev. Dallas Merriman of Poplar Bluff, Missouri officiating.

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

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

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# Emma Lou Adams

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#### Emma Lou Adams

Emma Lou Adams, daughter of the late Rev. T. W. Bland and Winnie Wilkerson Bland was born on May 22, 1935 at Piggott, Arkansas and departed this life in the Saint Francis Medical Center at Cape Girardeau on October 20, 2011 at the age of 76.

Mrs. Adams was a member of the Second General Baptist Church in Dexter, a home-maker and resident of Dexter.

She was united in marriage to Charles B. Adams Jr. on March 22, 1952 at Piggott, Arkansas. Mr. Adams survives of the home in Dexter.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Barry and Diane Adams of Dexter: by one daughter and son-in-law, Charlotte and Mike Mills of Dexter: by one brother and sister-in-law, Rev. Dwight and Brenda Bland of Booneville: by three grandchildren, Michael W. Mills and wife Amy of Ashland, Matt Mills and wife Marissa of Dexter and Patrick Adams of Dexter: by four great-grandchildren, Montgomery Mills, Monroe Mills, Margot Mills and Lanie Grey Mills: by one brother-in-law, Earl C. Williams of Dexter.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Doris Williams.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 5 until 8 p.m., Saturday, October 22, 2011. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Sunday, October 23, 2011 in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Joshua Carpenter and Rev. Phil Warren officiating. Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Second General Baptist Church, 15 East Saint Francis Street, Dexter, MO. 63841 or to 18 ForeLife, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, Mo. 63841.

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# Lance Alan Espey

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## Lance Alan Espey

Lance Alan Espey, son of Beverly Webb Hunter of Dexter and Watt Espey of St. Louis, Missouri, was born August 12, 1960 in Poplar Bluff and died on October 19, 2011 at his residence in Dexter at the age of 51.

Mr. Espey was a resident of Dexter and worked on heating and air conditioning units in the area.

Besides his parents he is survived by one son, Kyle Espey of Dexter; by one daughter and son-in-law, Tara and husband Shannon Eubanks of Festus, Missouri; by seven brothers, Tom Espey of Dexter, Stacy Greer of Dexter, Tracy Greer of Sedalia, Todd Espey of St. Louis, Brad Espey of St. Louis, Matt Greer of St. Louis, and Joe Hunter of Baltimore, Maryland; and by two sisters, Debbie Hunter of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Melinda Hunter of Las Vegas, Nevada; and by two grandchildren, Austin and Aubrie Eubanks, both of Festus.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter on Friday, October 21, 2011 from 9-10 a.m. A memorial service will be conducted on Friday, October 21, 2011 at 10 a.m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Dr. Steve Easterwood

officiating.

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