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Billy Andrew Collins

NOVEMBER 17TH 2011 BY UNKNOWN

Billy Andrew Collins was born in the State of Louisiana on October 7, 1931 to Asis (Ace) and Loretta Duncan Collins Duffey. He passed away on November 17, 2011 at the age of 80 years 1 month and 10 days.

After the death of his father when Bill was seven or eight years old, Loretta and Bill returned to Advance, Missouri and Billy resided in the Advance and Bloomfield area the remainder of his life. Billy worked on a farm in the Avert, Missouri area.

Surviving are three sisters; Doris and David Blankinship of Jackson, Missouri, Nelda and Johnny Warrick of Bloomfield, Missouri, and Wanda Duffey of Florissant, Missouri; one brother, Ray and Marilyn Duffey; one brother-in-law, Owen Delbert Dye; many nieces and nephews, and many friends. Bill was preceded in death by his father, Ace Collins; his stepfather and mother, Raymond and Loretta Duffey; and one sister, Valma Dye.

Bill was a member of the Bloomfield Church of Christ. He loved attending church services, loved “Amazing Grace” and “Precious Memories”. He always reminded those he loved that “God made a beautiful world.” He was always concerned about going to Heaven. He loved meeting people - at church and anyone who came down the halls at the Golden Living Center. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Friends may call on Saturday, November 19, 2011 after 10:30 a.m., at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri.

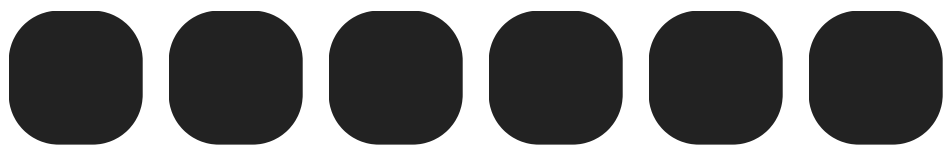
Funeral Services will be held at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, November 19, 2011 at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield Missouri with Bro. Kenneth Gaines and Ray Duffey officiating.

Internment will be at the Morgan Cemetery near Advance, Missouri with Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri in charge of all arrangements.

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Edward Dallas McRoy

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Edward Dallas McRoy, son of the late Bud and Ollie B. Pruitt McRoy, was born on August 24, 1929, in Bloomfield, Missouri, and died at his residence on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at the age of 82 years, 2 months, and 20 days.

Edward was a veteran of the U.S. Army where he served as an airplane mechanic during the Korean War. He was a retired truck driver and had served as a City Alderman for Bloomfield in 1990.

In 1948 he was united in marriage to Gloria Jean Becraft. She survives at their home in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Surviving are, one son and daughter-in-law, Dallas and Linda McRoy of Bloomfield, Missouri; two daughters, Teresa Barnes and Darlene Bowling, both of Bloomfield, Missouri; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one great-grandson, Jermy Tyre Wilson.

Friends may call on Friday, November 18, 2011 after 11 a.m., at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri.

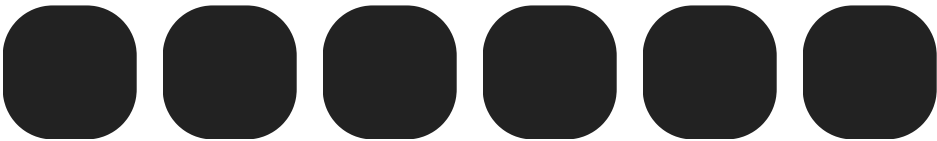
Funeral Services will be held on Friday, November 18, 2011 at 1 p.m., at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield Missouri with Rev. Bob Holland officiating.

Internment will be at the Walker Cemetery near Bloomfield, Missouri with Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri in charge of all arrangements.

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Larry Gene Matthews

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Larry Gene Matthews, son of the late Jack and Elsie Matthews was born on June 18, 1931 in Sikeston, Missouri and departed this life at the Golden Living Center in Dexter on Thursday morning November 17, 2011 at the age of 80 years.

Mr. Matthews was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dexter, Missouri. He was a retired salesman of the American Tobacco Company and worked as the Zoning Inspector for the City of Dexter for several years after his retirement. He enjoyed spending time with his family and was an avid fisherman the majority of life.

On June 17, 1950, he was united in marriage to Arabella Peggy Matthews. Mrs. Matthew survives in Dexter.

Other survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Greg Matthews and Barbara of Nixa, Missouri and Bryce Matthews and Sherry of Dexter, Missouri; by daughter-in-law, Melba Matthews of Springdale, Arkansas; by one brother, Lyman Matthews of Thousand Oaks, California; by six grandchildren, Morgan and Landon Matthews of Springdale, Arkansas, Amy and Lane Matthews of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Austin and Corbin Matthews of Dexter, Missouri; also by two great-grandchildren, Madilyn and Mason Dunn of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Randy Matthews; one sister, Irene Hunt, by five brothers, Jack Matthews, Reese Matthews, Joe Matthews, Jim Matthews, and Johnny Matthews.

Friends may call at the First United Methodist Church in Dexter from 10:00 until 11:00 P.M. Friday November 18, 2011. Funeral services will then be conducted on Friday at 11:00 P.M. in the First United Methodist Church in Dexter with Rev. Mike Wood officiating. Interment will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Fruitland, Missouri .

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Dexter.

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Kim Darlene Morgan

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Kim Darlene Morgan, daughter of Robert Dodd and Dixie White Watkins, was born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, on March 27, 1957, and passed away at her mother's home in Dexter, Missouri on November 16, 2011, at the age of 54 years, 7 months and 20 days.

She had lived in the Dexter, Missouri area most of her life. She was of Baptist Faith.

Surviving are two sons, DJ Morgan and Chris Jenkins, both of Dexter, Missouri; three brothers, Brian Dodd of Bernie, Missouri, Joey Dodd of Benicia, California, and Mike Watkins of Dexter, Missouri; and three grandchildren. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by three stepbrothers, Richard Watkins, Robert Watkins, and John Kevin Watkins.

Friends may visit on Saturday, November 19, 2011, after 11 a.m., at the Pleasant Grove Church in Pyletown, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2011, at 1 p.m., at the Pleasant Grove Church in Pyletown, Missouri with the Rev. Paul Pierce of Pyletown, Missouri officiating.

Interment will be in the Sycamore Cemetery in Pyletown, Missouri with Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

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Ed Gayle

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Ed Gayle, son of the late Walter M. Gayle and Nannie Emma Ruth Gayle, was born on May 24, 1925 at Littlefield, Texas and departed this life in the Saint Francis Medical Center at Cape Girardeau on November 15, 2011 at the age of 86.

Mr. Gayle was a member of the First Baptist Church in Dexter, the former owner of Gayle's Jewelry in Denver City, Texas for 47 years, a former city council member and Mayor of Denver City, Texas. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in the European Theatre during World War II, where he received the Purple Heart.

He enjoyed woodworking, horseback riding and farming. Mr. Gayle was very patriotic and one of his most memorable experiences, was getting to place the wreath on the Tomb Of The Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery while he was on the World War Two Honor Tour in 2007.

He was united in marriage to Dolores O'Keeffe on May 18, 1948 at Denver City, Texas. Mrs. Gayle survives of the home in Dexter.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Howard and DeVonna Gayle of Eastland, Texas: by one daughter and son-in-law, Holly and Jay Lemons of Dexter: by four grandchildren, Chawnda Branscome, Dustin Patterson, Joshua Gayle and Kristyn Lemons: by six great-grandchildren, Logan Gatlin, Skye Patterson, Madilyn Patterson, Mark Gayle, Brendon Gayle and Audrey Gayle: by three sisters, Naomi Wisener of Tyler, Texas, Marie Galle of Jal, New Mexico and Jean Poe of Denver City, Texas.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Mark Gayle: and by four brothers, Virgle Gayle, Alvin Gayle, Walt Gayle and Don Gayle.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m., Friday, November 18, 2011. A memorial service will then be conducted at 11 a.m., in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Dr. Steve Easterwood officiating.

Memorials may be made to the 18 Fore Life, in care of Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, Mo. 63841.

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