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Velma Irene Barker

DECEMBER 01ST 2012 BY UNKNOWN

Velma Irene Barker

Velma Irene Barker, age 87, of Alvin, Texas, passed away Thursday, November 29, 2012, at her residence. Velma was born on January 29, 1925, in Kinder, Missouri, and was an off and on resident of Alvin since 1994. Prior to residing in Alvin, she was a lifetime resident of Dexter, Missouri.

Velma was an active member of the Church of Christ in both Alvin and Dexter. Velma was preceded in death by her husband, Warren Barker, and her parents, Marie and Robert Burnett.

Velma is survived by her daughters, Sandra Barker and Ruthie Gorbey and husband, Kevin; by three grandchildren, Amanda Diaz, Jason Penn and Amy Smith; by four great grandchildren, Caitlyn Barker, Liam Diaz, Thomas Beard and Xander Searcy; and by numerous other relatives and friends.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., Monday, December 3, 2012. A graveside service and interment will follow at Dexter Cemetery.

Since Velma was an avid animal lover, in lieu of flowers, the family suggests that living memorials be made to Noah's Ark Bayou Animal Sanctuary. Donations can be made online at www.nabs-tx.com or by mail, N.A.B.S., P.O. Box 307, Liverpool, TX 77577.



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Louise Welch

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Louise Welch

Louise Welch, daughter of the late Wesley McCollough and Ethel Hutchcraft McCollough, was born April 25, 1932, in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life at Missouri Southern Healthcare in Dexter, Missouri, on November 30, 2012, at the age of 80.

Mrs. Welch was a member of the Rivers of Life Christian Center in Dexter. She had been employed as an operator for Southwestern Bell Telephone, in the deli of Town & Country Supermarket and as a health aide with the Dexter Visiting Nurses Association.

She was united in marriage to Bobby J. Welch on October 22, 1951, in Piggott, Arkansas. Mr. Welch preceded her in death on April 13, 2005.

She is survived by one daughter, Cindy Golden and her husband, Danny, of Bloomfield, Missouri, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Dale McCollough, John McCollough and Louie McCollough.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Saturday, December 1, 2012. Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, December 2, 2012, at 1:00 P.M., at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Ray Rowland officiating. Interment will follow at the Dexter Cemetery.

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Nancy Jane Stevens

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Nancy Jane Stevens

Nancy Stevens, daughter of the late Lee Walters and Eloise Smith Walters was born on July 28, 1941 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on November 24, 2012 at the Missouri Southern Healthcare in Dexter at the age of 71 years.

Ms. Stevens was a former employee with the Tennessee Department of Transportation and a resident of Dexter.

Survivors include two sons, Nick Stevens and Nathan Stevens both of Dexter; and by seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Charles Lee Walters.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter will be conducting all arrangements with no services at this time.

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Funeral services are incomplete and will be announced later by Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home.

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Lola Mae McCollough

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Lola Mae McCollough

Lola Mae McCollough, daughter of the late Charlie and Emma Osa Weaver Corlew, was born near Bloomfield, Missouri on December 29, 1930, and passed away at Missouri Southern Healthcare in Dexter, Missouri on November 29, 2012, at the age of 81.

She had lived in the Essex and Dexter areas all her life. She was a member of the Rivers of Life Church near Dexter.

On June 11, 1950, she was married to John R. McCollough in Piggott, Arkansas. He preceded her in death on October 22, 2005.

Surviving are one son, Charles McCollough of Phoenix, Arizona; one daughter, Connie Pruitt of Dexter, Missouri; four grandchildren & spouses, Christy & Danny Sindle of Dexter, Missouri, Melody & Joe Patrick of Bloomfield, Missouri, Joe McCollough and

Jessica McCollough both of Phoenix, Arizona; three great grandchildren, Hanna & Brock Patrick both of Bloomfield, Missouri, Lauren Sindle of Dexter, Missouri. Other family and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by one brother, William Joe "Dub" Corlew.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, December 1, 2012, after 1:00 p.m. at the Rivers of Life Church near Dexter, Missouri.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 1, 2012, at the Rivers of Life Church near Dexter with the Rev. Bill Pennington of Bloomfield, Missouri officiating.

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

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

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