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Margaret Irene Forristal Ward

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Margaret Irene Forristal Ward

Margaret Irene Forristal Ward, daughter of the late Thomas Alexander Forristal and Norma Leona Stackhouse Forristal was born on August 20, 1942 at Gainesville, Arkansas and departed this life in the SoutheastHealth Center of Stoddard County on February 4, 2014 at the age of 71.

Ms. Ward is survived by two daughters, Cathleen Donohue and her companion Monroe Quinn of Dexter and Norma Halford and her husband Bradley of Oran: by two brothers, Henry Forristal of Riverside, California and Charles Forristal of Hemet, California: by two sisters, Ellen Williams of Lee, Florida and Dorothy Kolb of Rockport, Oregon: by five grandchildren, Christina Cash, Marcus Flacy, Zachary Anderson, Darrell (Trey) Anderson III and Nathan Quinn: by three great-grandchildren, Caitlin Cash, Chloe Cash and Kurt Flacy.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Lawrence Forristal.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of Ms. Ward's death care.

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Reuben Owens

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Reuben Owens

Reuben Owens, son of the late Orlie Owens and Esley Belle Stephens Owens was born in New Madrid County, Missouri on June 27, 1936 and departed this life in Golden Living Center in Malden, Missouri on February 3, 2014 at the age of 77.

Mr. Owens was a Self Employed Truck Driver, was a resident of Bernie and was affiliated with Bernie Church of Christ.

He was united in marriage to Reba Ann Henson in Tunica, Mississippi on April 23, 1955. Mrs. Owens remains at their home in Bernie.

Other survivors include two sons, Buford Dwight Owens of Fruitland, Missouri and Michael Douglas Owens of Elkhorn, Nebraska; by one daughter, Melanie Ann Ayers of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by six grandchildren, Natalie Burnside, Scarlett Dawson, Krystal Hobgood, Waylon Owens, Jessica Cabaniss and Paul Owens; by nine great-grandchildren, Emma Dawson, Aidan Burnside, Preston Burnside, Kierstyn Burnside, Dalton Hobgood, Cane Hobgood, Bella Owens, MaKenzie Cabaniss and Lillie Cabaniss; by two brothers, Bill Owens and Jerry

Owens both of Bernie, Missouri; by two sisters, Amy Green of Campbell, Missouri and Theetta Cokley of Bernie, Missouri; by one sister in law, Ruby Karnes of Clinton, Mississippi; also by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death other than by parents by one son, Reuben Dewayne Owens; by one brother, Buford Owens, by one sister, Patricia Johnson.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Thursday, February 6, 2014 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral Services will be conducted on Friday, February 7, 2014 starting at 11:00 A.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie, Missouri with Josh Ketchum officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

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Halen S. Smith

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Halen S. Smith

Halen S. Smith, son of the late John Tyler and Anna Mayberry Smith, was born in Leora, Missouri on November 3, 1918, and passed away at the Puxico Nursing Center in Puxico, Missouri on February 3, 2014, at the age of 95 years and 3 months.

He had lived in the Puxico area all of his life. He had worked in maintenance for the Missouri Dept. of Transportation. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Puxico, the Puxico V.F.W. Post 7288 and was a veteran of the U. S. Army.

On September 14, 1941, he was married to Rilla Lee Hicks in Bloomfield. She preceded him in death on July 13, 2010.

Surviving are two sons and wives, Sanford & Delitha Smith of Puxico, Roger & Brenda Smith of Cape Girardeau; one daughter and husband, Marilyn & Sonny Newsom of Puxico; five grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren; and one brother, John C. Smith of Garden City, Michigan. Other family and friends also survive. He was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.

Visitation will be held on Thursday February 6, 2014, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Friday February 7, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at the Watkins and Sons Chapel in Puxico, Missouri with Rev. Dennis Doublin and Travis Reems both of Puxico, Missouri officiating.

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

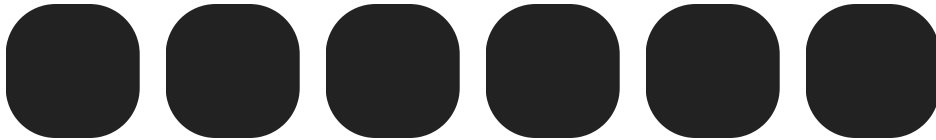
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Paula Jean Simms Beck

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Paula Jean Simms Beck, daughter of the late Gary Simms Jr. and Joyce Marie Gaskins Simms was born in Caruthersville, Missouri on February 23, 1963 and departed this life in Crowley Ridge Nursing Center in Dexter, Missouri on February 2, 2014 at the age of 50.

Mrs. Simms was a former MedTech and was a homemaker.

She was united in marriage to Timothy Beck in 1994. He survives his wife.

Other survivors include two sons, Nathan Ellis of Bernie, Missouri and Joshua Ellis of Broseley, Missouri; by one daughter, Brandi Ellis of Dexter, Missouri; by two sisters, Sandy Brashear of Sikeston, Missouri and Shelly Caldwell of Bernie, Missouri; by three grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents, by one sister, Penny Blackshear.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Tuesday, February 4, 2014 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Pastor Ivan Mekan officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Wilma McGuire

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Wilma McGuire

Wilma "Pinkie" A. McGuire, daughter of the late Parvin, Sr. and Cozette Hester Williamson, was born in Essex, Missouri on October 21, 1949, and passed away at the Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County in Dexter, Missouri on January 27, 2014, at the age of 64 years, 3 months and 6 days.

She had lived in Essex, Missouri all her life. She had worked for Elders Manufacturing for 29 years and had served as President of the Union for many years. She also worked at the Essex One Stop until she retired.

Surviving are one daughter, Kelly Smith of Dexter, Missouri; one son, Jonathan McGuire of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; four grandchildren and spouse, Sha & Mickala Waller of Essex, Bradley Pope of Puxico, Matthew McGuire of Essex, Ryland McGuire of Delta; two great grandchildren, Brody Lee and Gunner Ray Waller both of Essex; one brother and wife, Parvin, Jr. and Carolyn Williamson of Dexter, Missouri. Other relatives and friends also survive.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Larry Joe and Tim Williamson.

Friends may visit on Friday, January 31, 2014, after 10:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Friday, January 31, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. James Malloy of Essex, Missouri officiating.

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

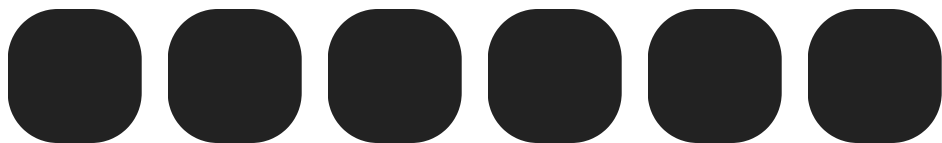
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