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Sue Eskew

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Sue Eskew

Sue Eskew, daughter of the late Arthur Birchfield and Georgia Taylor Birchfield, was born on January 12, 1934 and passed away on April 17, 2014 at SoutheastHEALTH in Cape Girardeau at the age of 80.

Mrs. Eskew was a member of the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Dexter, a former member of the Library Board and a member of the Dexter Genealogy Society. She was a housewife and a resident of Dexter.

On April 1, 1952, she was united in marriage to Wes Eskew in Piggott, Arkansas. Mr. Eskew survives at the home.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by five sons, Allen Eskew and wife Teresa of Layton, Utah, Bruce Eskew and wife Debby of Dexter, Doug Eskew and wife Susan of Brandon, Mississippi and Steve Eskew and wife Tiffany of Springfield, Missouri; by one daughter, Debbie Eskew Nelson of Springfield, Missouri; by three sisters, Colleen Godfrey of Grass Valley, California, Linda McClard of Hamilton, Ohio and Bonnie Lemons of Stephens City, Virginia; by nine grandchildren, Chris Nelson, Ashley Perryman, Stacy Earnest, Greg Eskew, Natalie Eskew, Jessica Eubanks, Kevin Eskew, Emily Eskew and Ariana Eskew; and by nine great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Gary Birchfield; and by two sisters, Sondra Birchfield and DeAnn Jenkins.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, April 21, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, April 21, 2014 at 1:00 P.M. with Rev. Mike Williams officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

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Dale Ellis

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Dale Ellis

Dale Ellis, son of the late William and Pearl Dowdy Ellis, was born in Parma, Missouri on June 11, 1937, and passed away on April 17, 2014, Southeast Health Care of Stoddard County in Dexter, at the age of 76 years 10 months and 6 days.

He had lived in Dexter the last 53 years, he worked for the City Of Dexter as Park Maintenance. He attended the Friendship Baptist Church of Dexter, Missouri.

On May 17, 1961, he was married to Doris Faye Butler in Stoddard County, Missouri.

Surviving are, his wife, Doris Ellis of Dexter, Missouri; one son and daughter in law, Ronnie & Tracyee Ellis of Dexter, Missouri, two daughters and sons in law Bonnie & Steven Smith of Dexter, Missouri, and Lesa Lafferty of Dexter, Missouri, seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; one son in law, Aaron Grobe of Dexter; two brothers Billy Ellis of Morehouse, Missouri & Edwin Ellis of Parma, Missouri, two sisters Norma Hoskins of Morehouse, Missouri and Margaret Baker of Dexter, Missouri. Many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive. He was preceded in death by one brother, Paul Ellis, and one sister, Daisy Breece, and one daughter Connie Grobe.

Friends may visit Monday, April 21 2014, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, April 22, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. Dale Holman of Advance, Missouri.

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

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com
Watkins & Sons Funeral Service
info@watkinsfuneralhome.com or phone 573 624 3548

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Sally Nell Fauller

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Sally Nell Fauller

Sally Nell Fauller, daughter of the late William and Katie Dowdy McGuire, was born in Wyatt, Missouri on September 24, 1910, and passed away at the Royal Manor Nursing Facility in Nicholasville, Kentucky on April 12, 2014, at the age of 103 years.

She had lived in the Sikeston area for many years before moving to Nicholasville, Kentucky in 1996. She was of the Baptist faith.

On July 19, 1926, she was married to William "Bill" Fauller in New Madrid County, Missouri. He preceded her in death on October 27, 1987.

Surviving are two daughters, Nola Gipson of Sun City West, Arizona, Delberta Minner of High Ridge, Missouri; eight grandchildren, fifteen great grandchildren; and eighteen great great grandchildren. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by one son, Donald Fauller, one daughter, Betty Fauller, five brothers and two sisters.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Watkins & Sons Funeral Service in Dexter.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri.

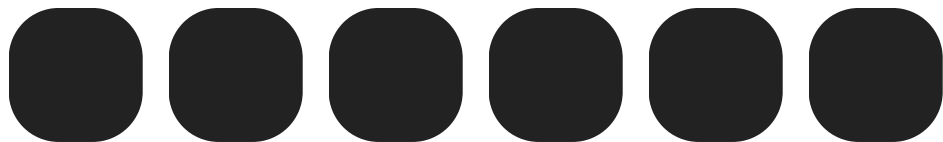
Burial will follow in the Dexter Cemetery in Dexter, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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Eula Faye Baca

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[Eula Faye Baca](#)

Eula Faye Baca, daughter of the late Samuel Jasper and Esta Ruth Jones Harmon, was born in Manilla, Arkansas on October 27, 1933, and passed away at the St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on April 14, 2014, at the age of 80 years.

Mrs. Baca had lived in Lubbock, Texas, where she was a dietary manager for a nursing home, she moved to Bloomfield in 1997. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bloomfield.

On June 13, 1981, she was married to Claudio H. Baca in Lubbock, Texas.

Surviving are her husband, Claudio H. Baca of Bloomfield, Missouri; one daughter, Ruth Strickland of Bloomfield, Missouri; one son, Larry Harmon of Dexter, Missouri; thirteen grandchildren; many great grandchildren; several great great grandchildren. Other relatives and many friends also survive. She was preceded in death by three daughters, Larmie, Jenny and Kathy; four sisters, Vera, Zerah, Glowesta and Josephine; and two brothers, Denver and Jasper.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2014, at the First Baptist Church in Bloomfield with Steve Morrison of Bloomfield officiating.

Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, c/o Steve Morrison, 806 Stoddard Rd, Bloomfield, MO 63825.

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

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Alan Douglas Zunkel

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Alan Douglas Zunkel

Alan Douglas “Doug” Zunkel died peacefully with family by his side on April 9, 2014 in his Vancouver home. His life is celebrated by family, friends, and colleagues around the country and the world.

Doug was born on May 3, 1941 in Bethany, Missouri as the eldest son of Kenneth and Ezma Zunkel. Doug grew up in Princeton, Illinois with his younger brother, David, and was a standout student and athlete.

He was the salutatorian of his class and the captain of the football team. He also attained the rank of Eagle Scout. After Doug graduated from Princeton High School, he went west to attend the Colorado School of Mines. During college, Doug was a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and served the chapter proudly as President. He graduated from the Missouri School of Mines in 1964 with a bachelor’s of science degree in metallurgical engineering.

Doug returned to the Colorado School of Mines in 1964 and earned his master’s degree and his doctor of science degree in 1967. Doug was a United States Army veteran, serving honorably from 1967 to 1969. In the Army, Doug attained the rank of Captain and worked on NASA’s Apollo lunar module. After his tenure in the Army, Doug began a long and illustrious career in the precious metals

industry.

Described by his granddaughter Bonnie as the smartest man she knew, Doug worked for and consulted for Fortune 500 companies, including Exxon, and many prestigious law firms around the country.

Doug was a highly sought after precious metals expert who loved his work. He established A.D. Zunkel Consultants, Inc. in 1986 and worked up until the week of his passing. Doug belonged to numerous technical and professional societies, including the Society of Mining Engineers, the Metallurgical Society, and the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. He served as a trustee of the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers from 1987 to 1988 and was the President of the Metallurgical Society in 1987. Doug generously established the John P. Hager Undergraduate Scholarship Fund at the Colorado School of Mines to support students in the Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering.

Doug was a lifelong St. Louis Cardinals and Green Bay Packers fan, a golf enthusiast, a world traveler, a tremendous chef, and an expert on the genealogy of the Zunkel family. He was also a life member of the Philatelist Society.

Doug is survived by his loving wife Olivia Ann, his daughter Lea Ann, his son Ken, his brother David, his granddaughter Bonnie, his niece Erica, and his nephew Mark. He has reunited with his beloved father-in-law, George "Pop" Baker, in heaven.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you please make a donation to Hospice or Essex United Methodist Church.

Graveside services will be conducted at 3:00 P.M., Monday April 14, 2014 at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery at Bloomfield with full military honors.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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