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Therma Alfreda Reed

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Therma Alfreda Reed

Therma Alfreda Reed, daughter of the late Walter Alexander Summers and Allie Belle Davenport Summers, was born on October 19, 1924 in Ardeola, Missouri and departed this life on October 11, 2014 at the Golden Living Center in Dexter at the age of 89.

Mrs. Reed was a member of the Faith Lutheran Church in Dexter. She was a homemaker, a member of the Eagles Auxiliary and a resident of Dexter, Missouri.

On August 10, 1966, she was united in marriage to Paul Allen Reed in Miami, Oklahoma. Mr. Reed preceded her in death on July 31, 1981.

She is survived by one son, Mark Alan Reed of Tucson, Arizona; by one daughter, Paula Leigh Striler and husband Bruce of Ballwin, Missouri; by one sister, Wilma Bernice Hyslop of Dexter; by two grandchildren, Eric Alan Striler and Matan Clay Medlock; by one great-grandchild, Dario William Medlock; by one step-daughter, Vicki Jo Proctor McCormick and husband James of Newton, Illinois; and by many relatives and friends.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by an infant son, Gary Pruitt; by two brothers, Luther Ferrell Summers and Albert Carman Summers; and by four sisters, Jewell Lee Summers, Lottie Fern Johnson, Bessie Naomi Dudek and Dorothy Mae Sneed.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home on Sunday, October 19, 2014 from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Sunday, October 19, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Justin Sponaugle officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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Joyce M. Chapman

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Joyce M. Chapman

Joyce M. Chapman, daughter of the late Thomas Edgar Griffin and Viola Ester Hume, was born in Malden, Missouri, on October 26, 1934, and passed away at Cypress Point

Skilled Nursing Home in Dexter, Missouri on October 14, 2014, at the age of 79 years, 11 months, and 18 days.

Mrs. Chapman had lived around the Essex area her entire life. She was a member of the Olive Branch General Baptist Church in Essex, Missouri. She had worked at Hart Truck Lines and Fram Filters as their secretary and as a cook at Richland Schools.

On April 16, 1955, she was married to Harold W. "Bud" Chapman in Essex, Missouri. He preceded her in death on August 26, 2004.

Surviving are one son and daughter in law, Harold & Cherie Chapman of Columbia, Missouri; two daughters and son in laws, Carla & Mike Taylor of Sikeston, Missouri and Christy & Brett Dorton of Dexter, Missouri; nine grandchildren; five brothers, Charles, Jerry, Bobby, and Danny Griffin all of Dexter, Missouri and Larry Griffin of Caruthersville, Missouri; and one sister, Cathy Graham of Scott City, Missouri. Other relatives and friends also survive.

She was preceded in death by one brother in infancy, Donald Griffin.

Friends may visit Friday, October 17, 2014, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, October 18, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. Dale McFarland of Sikeston, Missouri officiating.

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

Please make any memorial donations to Old Bethel Cemetery, 11430 S. Lakeview Dr., Dexter, MO, 63841 or The Stoddard County Children's Home, PO Box 164, Dexter, MO, 63841.

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Frances E. Womack

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Frances E. Womack

Frances E. Womack, daughter of the late Elgin Shaw and Ida Golden Haynes, was born on October 8, 1926 in rural Hayti, Missouri and departed this life on October 12, 2014 at her residence in Dexter at the age of 88.

Mrs. Womack was of the Nazarene faith and a homemaker.

On March 27, 1943, she was united in marriage to Louis Harlond Womack. Mr. Womack survives of the home.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, Bobby Allen Womack and his wife, Gloria of Bossier City, Louisiana and Raymond Lewis Womack of Minooka, Illinois; by one daughter, Janet Dodge of Dexter; and by six grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by four sisters, Maggie Williams, Inez Hatley, Mildred Friel, and Bonnell Cook.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, October 17, 2014 from 12:30 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Friday, October 17, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Ron Williams officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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Onie Clark

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Onie Clark

Onie Clark, daughter of the late John Perkins and Eliza Ayers Bryant, was born around Malden, Missouri area, on April 6, 1928, and passed away at her home in Essex, Missouri on October 12, 2014, at the age of 86 years, 6 months and 5 days.

Mrs. Clark had lived around the Essex and Penermon area her entire life. She was a member of the Bethel Ame Church in Sikeston, Missouri and had worked at Tyson for 20 years before she retired. She loved working in her yard and in her garden.

On May 10, 1947, she was married to Theoplis Clark in Parma, Missouri. He survives in the home.

Surviving are her husband, Theoplis Clark of Essex, Missouri; five sons, Theoplis Clark, Jr. of Bernie, Missouri, Ray Lavern Clark of South Haven, Mississippi, Glenn Edward Clark of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, Keal Myron Clark of Essex, Missouri, and Marvin Crigler of Chesapeake Bay, Virginia; three daughters, Bernice Grayer of Essex, Missouri, Eliza Johnson of Sikeston, Missouri, and Lula Crigler of Chicago, Illinois; 17 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; two great great grandchild; four brothers, Henry and Russell Bryant both of Chicago, Illinois and Theodore and William Bryan, both of St. Louis, Missouri; one sister, Barbara Bryant of St. Louis. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by two grandsons, Myron Keith Johnson and Ray Lavern Clark, Jr.; six brothers, Thomas, John, and Louis Perkins, Oliver Bryant, T.L. Bryant, and L.C. Bryant; and one sister, Mary Crigler.

Friends may visit Saturday, October 18, 2014, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, October 18, 2014, at 12:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri with her son, the Rev. Glenn Clark of Poplar Bluff, Missouri officiating.

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

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Mitchell Calvin Conner

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Mitchell Calvin Conner

Mitchell "Mitch" Calvin Conner, son of the late Calvin Granvil Conner and Betty Stoker Taylor of Dexter, was born on June 29, 1961 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on October 11, 2014 at his residence in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 53.

Mr. Conner worked as a network administrator at Associate Electric in New Madrid, Missouri and was a veteran of the United States Navy serving in Desert Storm. He loved traveling, riding motorcycles, learning to use computers, playing his saxophone and he especially loved his mother and sister.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by one sister, Candy Conner of Dexter; by his step-mother, Mary Lou Conner of Circle City; and by three half-sisters, Tina Riggs of Bloomfield, Rhonda Tilly of Poplar Bluff and Shelly Clark of Circle City.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 2:00 P.M.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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