### **Obituaries**



## Robert Lee Massingill

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#### Robert Lee Massingill

**Robert Lee Massingill**, son of the late Alexander Massingill and Betty Duvall Massingill, was born on May 15, 1939 in Hattieville, Arkansas and departed this life on October 23, 2014 at the Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri at the age of 75.

Mr. Massingill was of the Baptist faith. He worked as a farmer and was the owner of Massingill Farms, a veteran of the United States Army and a resident of Dexter.

In 1965, he was married to Joyce Nunn. She preceded him in death in August of 1987. He later was united in marriage to Mary Ellen Ellis Massingill on September 22, 1990 in Dexter. She survives of the home.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sons, Chad Massingill of Dexter, Robert Wayne Massingill of Higginson, Arkansas and Mike Richard of Denver, Colorado; by four daughters, Patricia Kahler of Denver, Colorado, Pamela Hodges of Farmington, Arkansas, Rhonda Lewis-Gromer of Dexter and Sherry Cowgur of Joplin, Missouri; by one brother, Elbert Massingill of Dexter; and by fourteen grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren.

Besides his first wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Jo Toutcheque; by one brother, Frank Massingill; and by three sisters, Zettie Douglas, Wiladean Monroe and Mildred Davis.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Sunday, October 26, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Matthew Hodges officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery, Bernie, Missouri.

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# Dorothy L. Edwards

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Dorothy L. Edwards

**Dorothy L. Edwards**, daughter of the late Ernest Eugene Singleton Gromer and Addie Oevia Mason Gromer, was born in Dexter, Missouri on May 31, 1933, and passed away at

the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri on October 23, 2014, at the age of 81 years, 4 months and 22 days.

She had lived in Essex most of her life and was of the Pentecostal Faith. She had worked at Swifts Poultry in Dexter.

On November 25, 1950, she was married to Robert Lee Edwards in Essex, Missouri. He preceded her in death on April 12, 2012.

Surviving are one son, Mike Edwards of Dexter, Missouri, two daughters, Rebecca Edwards of Dexter, Missouri, Linda Cloninger of Advance, Missouri; ten grandchildren; twenty-four great grandchildren; three great grandchildren; three brothers, Charles Gromer of Jackson, Missouri, Allen Gromer of St. Louis, Missouri, Cecil Gromer of Columbia, Missouri; two sisters, Mary Gromer of Dexter, Missouri and Annie Pruitt of Bloomfield, Missouri. Other family and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by one step-grandson, Michael and three brothers. Alva, Howard and Harold Gromer.

Visitation will be held on Friday, October 24, 2014, after 11:00 a.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 24, 2014, at Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with Bro. Ronnie McAtee of Advance, Missouri officiating.

Interment will be in the West Pleasant Valley Cemetery near Bloomfield, 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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## Timmie Louis Hampton

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### Timmie Louis Hampton

**Timmie Louis "T" Hampton**, son of the late James Willie "Buddy" and Ruby Mae Halcrombe Hampton, was born in Essex, Missouri on April 12, 1950, and passed away at his home in Memphis, Tennessee on October 18, 2014, at the age of 64 years, 6 months and 6 days.

Mr. Hampton had lived in Memphis, Tennessee since 1981. He grew up in Essex, lived in Malden from 1971 until moving to Memphis. He had worked as a supervisor at the Interpac company. He was a member of Jacob's Well Outreach Ministries and loved to fish and work on cars.

Surviving are two sons, Reginald Reed of Senatobia, Mississippi, Timothy Reed of Malden; one daughter, Katrina Reed of Robinsonville, Mississippi; eight grandchildren, one great grandchild; two brothers, James Freeman Hampton of Malden, Amos Hampton of Sikeston; six sisters and spouses, Nancy & Series McLeod, Johnnie & Robert Beechham and Deborah Evans all of Memphis, Tennessee, Gerldine Hampton, Earnestine & Robert Jones all of Malden, Lisa Hampton of Essex. Other relatives and friends also survive. He was preceded in death by his step-son, Marvin Reed, sister, Gladys Dalton and grandson, Ashton Smith.

Friends may visit Saturday, October 25, 2014, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, October 25, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri with Pastor Robert Beecham of Memphis, Tennessee officiating.

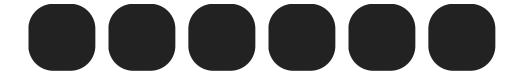
Interment with be in the Macedonia Cemetery in Malden, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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### Donna Irene Shaver

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Donna Irene Shaver

**Donna Irene Shaver,** daughter of Beryl Burroughs Hester of Dexter and the late James Hester, was born in Bury St Edmunds Suffolk, England on August 4, 1958 and departed this life on October 17, 2014 at her residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 56.

Mrs. Shaver was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Hayti and had worked as a cook at the Airport Café in Dexter.

She was united in marriage to Charles Shaver in Idalia, Missouri. Mr. Shaver survives at the home.

In addition to her husband and mother, she is survived by three sons, Daniel Maddox of Bell City, Ben Maddox of Texas and Justin Maddox of Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri; by one step-daughter, Danielle Shaver of Caruthersville; by two sisters-in-law, Judy Hester of Dexter and Barbara Orr of Fisk, by seven grandchildren, Peyton Maddox, Bryson Maddox, Tristan Maddox, Vincent Maddox, Derron Maddox, Dillion Maddox and Shaylee Maddox; by one niece, Kayla Hester; by one nephew, James Hill; and by a special friend, Bryon Lovell of Dexter.

Besides her father, she was preceded in death by one brother, Jimmy Hester.

Visitation was held at the Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter on Monday, October 20, 2014 from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lighthouse Christian Center at 3:00 P. M. with Rev. Doug Wahls officiating.

Interment followed in the Walker Cemetery.

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### Hazel Marie Franks

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#### Hazel Marie Franks

**Hazel Marie Franks** of Dexter, daughter of the late Floyd and Gracie Mae Holmes Cullum, was born in New Madrid County, Missouri on February 24, 1941, and passed away at Southeast Healthcare of Stoddard County in Dexter, Missouri on October 20, 2014, at the age of 73 years, 7 months and 26 days.

She had lived in Dexter most of her life.

She was married to Jesse Monroe Franks and he preceded her in death in 2012.

Surviving are two sons, Bobby Franks of Perryville, Kenneth Franks of Cape Girardeau; three daughters, Ruby Mosier of Mineral Point, Mary Franks of Cincinnati, Ohio, Barbara Franks of Perryville; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; two brothers, Roy Cullum of Bernie, Billy Gene Cullum of Dexter; and one sister, Linda Smith of Poplar Bluff. Other relatives and friends also survive.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Shirley Cullum and one sister, Helen Franks.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 21, 2014, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 22, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at Watkins

& Sons Funeral Service in Dexter, Missouri with Rev. Kenneth Biggs of Dexter officiating.

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

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