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Bobby Jones

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Bobby Jones

Bobby Jones of Essex, Missouri, son of the late Rufus Jones and Lilly Dillinger Jones, was born on August 8, 1933, in Holland, Missouri, and passed away at his home in Essex, Missouri on November 8, 2014, at the age of 81 years and 3 months.

Mr. Jones had lived in St. Louis for 50 years before moving to Essex Missouri. He was a certified welder and painter for Stupp Bro. Bridge and Iron Company until he retired. Bobby was a veteran of the United States Army and was a member of the Garden Ridge General Baptist Church.

On August 3, 1953 he married Betty Lou Cheatham in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Jones of Essex, Missouri; two daughters, Sharon Meredith of Cedar Hill, Missouri, Tanya Jones of Festus, Missouri; four sons, Don Jones of St. Louis Missouri, Bobby Jones of Festus, Missouri, Gary Jones of Hillsboro, Missouri, Michael Jones of Farmington, Missouri; seventeen grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren. Many family and countless friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and 1 brother and 2 sisters.

Friends may call on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, after 11:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. in the

Watkins & Sons Funeral Chapel, Missouri with the Rev. Bill Fox of Garden Ridge officiating.

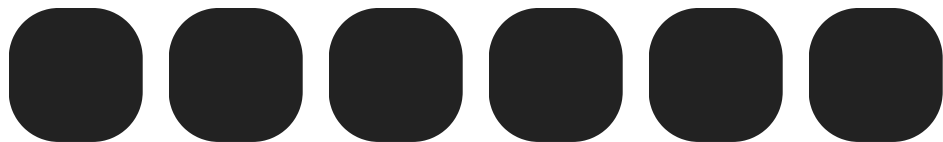
Burial will be in the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield with full military honors. Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com
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C. H. Trey Parsons, III

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[C. H. Trey Parsons, III](#)

C. H. “Trey” Parsons, III, the older son of C. H. Parsons, Jr. and Betty Sue Parsons was born at Cape Girardeau, Missouri, on May 3, 1967 and departed this life on November 2, 2014, at the age of 47.

Trey graduated from Dexter High School with the Class of 1985. He received a football scholarship from the University of Missouri where he attended until he sustained a career ending injury. He graduated from Arkansas State University in 1994 with a B.S. Degree.

Trey was united in marriage to Kathryn Elizabeth Matthes on December 29, 1994. Kate survives in Dexter, Missouri, along with their son, John Rhys Parsons.

In addition to his wife and son, Trey is survived by his parents of Dexter, Missouri, Rafe B. Parsons and his wife, Colleen, and Grace Parsons, a niece, of Columbia, Missouri. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Graveside services will be conducted Saturday, November 8th, at 11:00 A.M. at the Dexter Cemetery with Dr. Barry Winders officiating.

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

The family requests that in lieu of flowers memorials may be made to 18 ForeLife and the Dexter Public Library.

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James Barry Crosby, Jr.

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James Barry Crosby, Jr.

James Barry Crosby, Jr., son of the late James B. Crosby, Sr. and Phyllis Land Crosby was born on May 18, 1959 in Woburn, Massachusetts and departed this life on November 5, 2014 at Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County in Dexter at the age of 55.

Mr. Crosby had worked as a tool and die maker at L & M Manufacturing in Fisk, Missouri and was a resident of Dexter. He enjoyed woodworking and was a very proud grandfather.

He was first united in marriage to Teresa Luebrecht on June 26, 1981 in Booneville, Missouri. She preceded him in death on September 18, 2009. On January 27, 2012, he was married to Carline Carter in Benton, Missouri. Mrs. Crosby survives of the home.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, James Lawrence Crosby and Blaine Allen Crosby and his wife Megan all of Dexter; by one daughter, Tamara Dawn Crosby of Dexter; by one brother, David Crosby of Bossier City, Louisiana; by two sisters, Patty McDougal and her husband Will of Wolcott, New York and Diane Collins and her husband Jim of Crimes, Oklahoma; by one step-son, Jimmy Hampton, Jr. of Dexter; by one step-daughter, Carla Harris of Doniphan; and by five grandchildren, Makinley Crosby, Aurora Hampton, Donna Underhile, Beth Underhile and Faith Underhile.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, November 8, 2014 from 12:30 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Saturday, November 8, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. with Dwight Hensley officiating.

Interment will follow in Walker Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.

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Kathryn Neloise Johnson

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Kathryn Neloise Johnson, daughter of the late Carl C. Armstrong and Sadie I. Reece Armstrong, was born on August 23, 1927 in Pratt, Kansas and departed

this life on November 4, 2014 at Southeast Hospital in Cape Girardeau at the age of 87.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dexter, a homemaker and a resident of Dexter.

On November 1, 1944, she was united in marriage to Clifton E. Johnson in St. John, Kansas. Mr. Johnson preceded her in death on January 24, 1999.

She is survived by two sons, Gary E. Johnson of Sikeston and Gordon A. Johnson and his wife Lana of Evans, Georgia; by one daughter Tammie L. Byrd and her husband Keith of Dexter; by seven grandchildren, Blaine Johnson, Barry Johnson, Jeremy Johnson, Jessica (Clayton) Knapp, Mica (Tony) Tinnin, Clint (April) Quick and Kate (Eric) Ross and by ten great-grandchildren, Darien Dearth Johnson, Caleb Dearth Johnson, Clay Knapp, Zander Knapp, Payton Tinnin, Gracie Tinnin, Chloe Tinnin, Brody Ross, Bryce Ross and Ridley Forrester.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Clyde Armstrong; by one sister, Ruby Lucas; and by one grandson, Jared Johnson.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, November 6, 2014 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Friday, November 7, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. with Dr. Barry Winders officiating.

Interment will follow in the Hagy Cemetery.

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Theral Vanover

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Theral Vanover

Theral "Tubie" Vanover, son of the late R. V. and Trecie Latham Vanover, was born in Sikeston, Missouri on August 24, 1954, and passed away in Memphis, Tennessee on November 3, 2014, at the age of 60 years, 2 months and 10 days.

He had lived in the Puxico area most of his life and was a 1973 graduate of Puxico High School. He was an over the road truck driver and was a member of the Puxico Masonic Lodge #596.

Surviving are two daughters & husbands, Tonya & Darrin Woolard of Puxico, Wendy & Mark O'Kelley of Poplar Bluff; one son, Eddie Vanover of Wappapello; three grandchildren, Seth and Tori O'Kelley and Sara Woolard. Other family and friends also survive. He was preceded in death by three brothers, Vernon, Olen and Edward Vanover, and two sisters in infancy, Barbara and Vereda.

Visitation will be held on Friday November 7, 2014, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday November 8, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Puxico, Missouri with the Rev. Dennis Doublin of Puxico officiating.

Interment will follow in the Puxico Cemetery in Puxico, Missouri with Watkins & Sons

Funeral Service of Puxico in charge of arrangements.

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

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