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Linda Sue Medlin Pashia

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Linda Sue Medlin Pashia

Linda Sue Medlin Pashia, daughter of the late Clifford Medlin and Nettie Fleetwood Medlin, was born on August 25, 1950 in Dexter and departed this life on January 17, 2015 at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau at the age of 64.

Mrs. Pashia was a homemaker, a volunteer at the Gospel Rescue Mission in Dexter and a resident of Dexter.

She is survived by one son, Shane Pashia of Dexter; by one grandson, Justin Pashia; and by her aunt, Mary Lou Knight, of Dexter.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Johnny Medlin.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 from 10:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. with Rev. Roger Wooten officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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Robert Gwen Stoner

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Robert Gwen Stoner, son of Betty Stoner of Dexter and the late Robert Junior Stoner, was born on February 12, 1962 in Dexter and departed this life on January 19, 2015 at Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County in Dexter at the age of 52.

Mr. Stoner worked for Foster's Landgrading in Dexter and was a resident of Dexter.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by one son, Robert Nathan Stoner of Dexter; by one daughter Janey Marie Stoner of Dexter; by three brothers, Bobby Stoner and wife Marie of Dudley, Timothy Stoner and wife Amanda of Poplar Bluff and DeWayne Stoner and wife Dollie of Dexter; by one sister, Deborah Whitsel of Dexter; and by two grandchildren, Camden Stoner and McKinley Laffoon.

Besides his father, he was preceded in death by one sister, Joyce Whitsel.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. with Rick White officiating.

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Clifford (Bud) Carlton Shell

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[Clifford \(Bud\) Carlton Shell](#)

Clifford (Bud) Carlton Shell was born in Dexter, Missouri to parents Clinton Casper and Eva Mae Vaughn Shell on January 9, 1937. Mr. Shell went home to the Lord on Thursday, January 15, 2015 at Southeast Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri among family and friends.

Graduating from Dexter High School in the class of 1955, Clifford was a life time resident of Dexter. He was of the Baptist faith and a member of the First Baptist Church of Dexter. Bud was second generation owner of City Motor Sales later known as Bud Shell Ford with the business soon to celebrate their 72nd anniversary.

In 1997, Bud was named Man of the Year by the Dexter Chamber of Commerce, an accolade that attested to the many contributions he had made to the City of Dexter and surrounding communities.

Clifford was united in marriage to Priscilla Smith in Hernando, Mississippi in 1957.

To this union three children were born, John David (Patti) Shell, Robert Alan (Debbie) Shell and Mary Elizabeth Shell all of Dexter. Six grandchildren, Clinton (Jeri) Shell of Puxico, Olivia Shell (Adam) Carter of Jackson, Missouri, Clayton Shell of Dexter, Tyler (Alexa) Montgomery of Nashville, Tennessee, Christine Barnes of Dexter and Elizabeth Farrah of Essex. Three great-granddaughters, Zoey, Gabbie and Freya Shell.

In 1991, Clifford was married to Patty Kinder of Essex. Clifford is survived by his wife of the home, step-sons, Todd (Joann) Kinder of Dexter, Travis (Tracey) Kinder of Hot Springs, Arkansas and step-grandchildren, Abbi and Maddie Shell of Hot Springs, Arkansas, McKenna and Cooper Tidwell of Dexter. Sisters, Pat (Wendell) Taylor of Anderson, South Carolina and Sue (John) Morlan of West Plains, Missouri. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins survive also.

Besides his parents, his sister, Phyllis Rehm, preceded Mr. Shell in death.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Services will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 2:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Roy Sherfield and Glynn Jarrell officiating.

Interment will follow in Chalk Bluff Cemetery in Dexter.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Keller Public Library, 402 West Grant Street, Dexter, Missouri 63841 or the Stoddard County Children's Home, Memorial Tribute Fund, P.O. Box 164, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

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Leonard Edward Smith

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Leonard Edward Smith, son of the late Clarence Houston Smith, Sr. and Geneva Viola Shelton Smith, was born on March 23, 1950 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on January 14, 2015 at Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston at the age of 64.

Mr. Smith worked as a farmer and was a resident of Bernie.

He is survived by one son, Christopher William Smith of Walnut Hill, Illinois; by one daughter, Monica Beck of Essex; by four brothers Clarence Houston Smith, Jr., Jerry Wade Smith, Elmer Milton Smith and Delmar Shelton Smith, all of Dexter; and by four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Michelle Smith, and by one grandson in infancy.

Graveside services will be conducted on Sunday, January 18, 2015 at 2:00 P. M. at the Bernie Cemetery with Randy DeProw officiating.

Arrangements are being handled by the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home.

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Edna Revalee Williams

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Edna Revalee Williams, age 98, a long-time resident of Dexter, Missouri, went home to be with the Lord at her residence on January 14, 2015. In her final days she was surrounded by family

Edna was born on April 10, 1916 in Bernie, Missouri to the late Thomas and Treasa Whitehead.

She was a loving and devoted daughter, wife, sister, mother, aunt, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Edna had a quick sense of humor and never-ending curiosity to try new adventures. An excellent seamstress and quilter, she spent hundreds of hours in her earlier years sewing for family, making beautiful quilts and embroidering large floral or nature scenes.

At age 70, she taught herself to type and began researching her family history, compiling several books, which she gladly shared with all those who had similar interests, and gave helpful advice to others who were starting to do research on their own family tree. Edna was a voracious reader and prolific writer.

Later, she took up oil painting, displaying most of her art in her home for family, friends and visitors to enjoy.

At age 83, she began collecting shells from the coast of North Carolina. She picked up thousands, bringing them home and making pieces of art to share with family and friends. She was happiest giving these beautiful wreaths, flower pots and decorative balls away to others.

She was generous and kind to all.

Edna was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Treasa Whitehead; her husband, Franklin Matthew Williams; her brother, Avery; and her sister, Velta Lee.

She leaves to cherish her memory her loving daughters, Beverly Velazquez, Babara Miriani and Betty Hitchuk; grandchildren, Jon Heikka, Adrienne Miriani, Allison Miriani and Anthony Miriani; great-granddaughters, Maile Heikka and Rebecca Putvin; sisters, Wanda Gough and Delta Ivy; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home, 125 West Stoddard Street, Dexter, Missouri on Saturday, January 17, 2015 from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

A private interment will follow.

The family extends their appreciation to VNA Hospice for their support and compassion.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: VNA Hospice, P. O. Box 1608, Sikeston, Missouri 63801

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