### **Obituaries**



## Karla J. Turner

FEBRUARY 18TH 2015 BY DEE LOFLIN

#### Karla J. Turner

**Karla J. Turner**, daughter of the late Donald Greer and Lavada Tarrants Greer, was born on September 20, 1963 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on February 17, 2015 at her residence in Dexter at the age of 51.

On June 7, 1985, Karla was united in marriage to Donald Turner in Morehouse, Missouri. Mr. Turner survives of the home.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Rebekah Greer of Dexter; by two sisters, LaDonna Haynes of Sikeston and Marti Ann Greer of Morehouse; and by three grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter on February 20, 2015 from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Lighthouse Christian Center at 1:00 P.M. with Rev. Tim Russell officiating.

Interment will follow in the Matthews Community Cemetery in Matthews, Missouri.

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## Norma J. Fortner

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#### Norma J. Fortner

**Norma J. Fortner,** daughter of the late James Melvin and Letha Pearl Martin O'Dell, was born in Dexter, Missouri on April 13, 1935, and passed away on February 17, 2015, at the Golden Living Care Center in Bloomfield, at the age of 79 years, 10 months and 4 days.

She had lived in the Bloomfield area most of her life, had worked at Elder's Manufacturing and was a General Baptist Church member.

On April 13, 1953, she was married to Elmer Dean Fortner in Essex, Missouri. He preceded her in death on July 24, 2014.

Surviving are two sons, Larry Fortner of Bloomfield, Jeff Fortner of Dexter; one daughter, Janet Wilson of Dexter; nine grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; two brothers, James F. O'Dell and Charles W. O'Dell both of Dexter; four sisters, Frances Elizabeth Riggs of Scott City, Gloria Kathryn Robinson of Dexter, Freda Elene Warren of Clarkton and Delcie Lee Hesselbein of St. Peters. Other relatives and friends also survive.

Friends may visit Thursday, February 19, 2015, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Watkins &

Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Friday, February 20, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter with the Rev. Joe Payne of Dexter, Missouri officiating.

Interment with be in the Bloomfield Cemetery in 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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## Hans Warren Porter

#### Hans Warren Porter

**Hans Warren Porter,** son of the late James E. Porter Jr. and Anna Reffert Porter was born on December 24, 1953 at Dexter and departed this life in the emergency room of the Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center on February 15, 2015 at the age of 61.

Mr. Porter was baptized at the Rivers Of Life Ministries near Dexter, a former seam buster for Elder Manufacturing Company in Dexter, a former carry out for Town and Country Super Market in Dexter, a former resident of Dexter and was currently residing in Puxico.

He is survived by two sisters and their spouses, Henny Vandiver-Baisden (Curtiss) and Marianna Burge (Jimmie) all of Dexter: also by nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Ingrid Morlan and by one brother, Harry Porter.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 12:30 P.M. until 2:30 P.M., Thursday, February 19, 2015.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Danny Collins officiating.

Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery near Dexter.

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# Jimmy Glenn Bridges Sr.

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Jimmy Glenn Bridges Sr.

**Jimmy Glenn Bridges Sr.**, son of James Glenn Bridges and the late Shirley Faye Tucker Bridges was born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on November 3, 1959 and departed this life at his residence in Bernie, Missouri on February 10, 2015 at the age of 55.

Mr. Bridges had worked at IXL and Bootheel Auto Upholstery both of Bernie, was a member of Bernie General Baptist Church.

Survivors include his father, James Glenn Bridges of Park Hills, Missouri; one son, Jimmy Glenn Bridges, Jr. and wife Darla of Bernie; by three brothers, Darrell Bridges of Dexter, Missouri, Robert Bridges of Villa Ridge, Missouri and Danny Bridges of Park Hills, Missouri; by one sister, Linda Price of Bernie, Missouri; by two grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death other than by his mother, by four brothers, Norman Bridges, William Dub Bridges, Gary "Archie" Bridges and J.C. Wilburn.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 11:00 A.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie in charge of all arrangements.

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## Terry Lynn Cravens Freeman

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Terry Lynn Cravens Freeman

**Terry Lynn Cravens Freeman** of Euclid Ohio, daughter of Chester G. Cravens and Marcelene Bowman Cravens, was born on July 31, 1951 in Dexter, Missouri and died on February 4, 2015 at her home in Euclid, Ohio at the age of 64 years.

Terry was a Dexter High School graduate and graduated from SEMO University at Cape Girardeau, Missouri. After earning her Master's Degree in Education, Terry became the literary instructor for the Euclid School District where she worked for 25 years.

Terry was married to Mark Freeman in Dexter, Missouri on December 30, 1972. Mr. Freeman survives of the home.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Lindsay Freeman of Ithica, New York and Lauren Freeman of Euclid, Ohio; by her mother, Marcelene Cravens of Dexter; by one brother, Gary Cravens and wife Sandy of West Plains, Missouri; by one sister, Janna Kay Schwartz and husband Brian of Roanoke, Virginia; and by one grandson, Cullen Freeman of Euclid, Ohio.

Besides her grandparents, she was preceded in death by her father, Chester Cravens; by two aunts, Jeanette Satterfield of Dexter and Norma Bowman Walker of Franklin, Tennessee.

Terry was dearly loved by her family, friends, fellow educators and all that had the privilege of knowing her. She will be missed by all.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

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