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### Harold J. Zimmerman

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Harold J. Zimmerman

**Harold J. Zimmerman**, son of the late John Ernest Zimmerman and Nora Ethel McGowan Zimmerman was born in Bernie, Missouri on September 28, 1928 and departed this life at his residence in Bernie, Missouri on May 19, 2015 at the age of 86.

Mr. Zimmerman was a farmer and love to play music. Harold & the Boys played at the Nutrition Center in Dexter, Missouri weekly; at Nursing Homes, His home Church, of Sunnyvale General Baptist Church of Rural Malden, Missouri and Revival's all across the heartland.

He was united in marriage to Eva Nell Allen in Malden, Missouri on April 3, 1946. She survives in their home in Bernie.

Other survivors include, two sons, Harold Dewayne Zimmerman of Lexington, Tennessee and Lanny Bruce Zimmerman of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by one daughter, Janice Annette Fadler of Bernie, Missouri; by one sister Geraldine Blackman Sturges of Campbell, Missouri; by ten grandchildren, twenty eight great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death other than by his parents, by four brothers, Hershel Zimmerman, Melvin Zimmerman, Howard Zimmerman and Lloyd Zimmerman; by three sisters, Pearl Mickey, Dimple Miller and Marjorie Zimmerman.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Thursday Evening, May 21, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

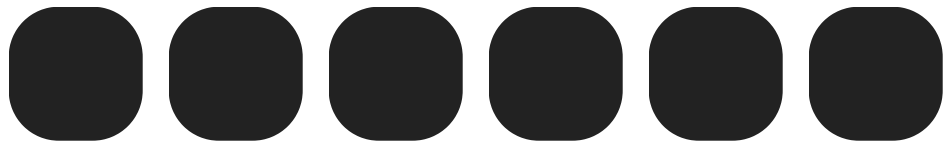
Funeral Services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie on May 22, 2015 starting at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. James Hamlett officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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## John Henry Underwood

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[John Henry Underwood](#)

**John Henry Underwood**, son of the late Roy Emmitt and Norma Davis Underwood, was born in Bloomfield, Missouri on July 29, 1937, and passed away at the Golden Living

Center in Bloomfield, Missouri on May 19, 2015, at the age of 77 years, 9 months and 20 days.

John had lived in Bloomfield all of his life. He was a member of the First Church of God in Dexter and was an active member of the communities coffee shop participants.

Surviving are one son, Troy Dean Underwood of Bloomfield; one daughter, Kim Denise Brown of Cape Girardeau; four grandchildren, troy Dewayne Underwood, Jacob Lee Underwood and Isabella Loveless all of Bloomfield, Samantha Brown Deimund of Cape Girardeau; one brother and wife, Steve & Joyce Underwood of Bloomfield; one sister, Geneva Grim of Dexter; and one sister in law, Imogene Underwood of Bloomfield. Other relatives and friends also survive.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Elmer & Delmar Underwood; and two sisters, Frances Berry and Wilma Morrow.

Friends may visit on Thursday, May 21, 2015, after 10:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will follow at 12:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Leonard Madigan of Dexter and Rev. Greg Stevens of Bloomfield officiating.

Interment to will be in the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery with full military honors, Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home of Bloomfield, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.watkinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.watkinsfuneralhome.com)  
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## Mary Gromer

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### Mary Gromer

Mary Gromer, daughter of the late Ernest and Addie Mason Gromer, was born in Marquand, Missouri on August 29, 1932, and passed away at the Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri on May 18, 2015, at the age of 82 years, 8 months and 19 days.

She had lived in Dexter most of her life and had worked at Swift & Company, the International Hat Factory and worked at the Crowley Ridge Care Center before she retired. She had attended the Sweet Prospect General Baptist Church in Dexter.

Surviving are three brothers & wives, Cecil & Margaret Gromer of Columbia, Missouri, Charles Gromer of Jackson, Missouri, Allen & Norma Gromer of Union, Missouri; a niece that was her care giver, Tracey Gromer of Dexter. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by three sisters, Dorothy Edwards, Virgie Allen, Annie Pruet; and three brothers, Howard, Alva D. and Harold Gromer.

Friends may visit on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at 11:00 am at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. Dean Williams of Dexter officiating.

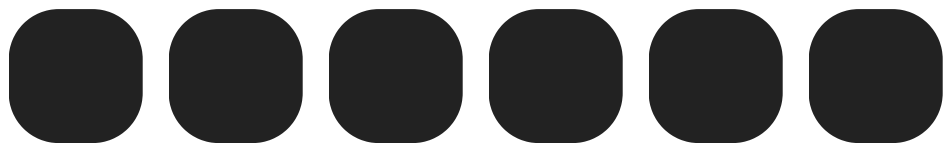
Interment will be in the Dexter Cemetery in Dexter, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.watkinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.watkinsfuneralhome.com)  
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## Brenda Smith

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[Brenda Smith](#)

**Brenda Smith**, daughter of the late Sylvester August & Rita Marie Hagen Wibbenmeyer, was born in Perryville, Missouri on September 8, 1955, and passed away at the Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County in Dexter, Missouri on May 18, 2015, at the age of 59 years, 8 months and 10 days.

She was raised in Perryville and moved to Parma when she married where she had worked at Winchester Place and the D & L One Stop.

Brenda loved her family and cooking meals to have them around. She made a mean chicken and dumplings and turkey dressing. She treated people the way she wanted to be treated and treated everyone equal. She especially liked crab legs at Red Lobster.

On October 6, 1973, she was married to Jimmy Smith in Risco, Missouri.

Surviving are her husband, Jimmy Smith of Parma; one son and wife, Chris & Janice Smith of Risco; one daughter and husband, Teletia & Steve Prewett of Doniphan; six grandchildren, Cody Smith & Ana Smith both of Risco, Samantha Smith of Puxico, JC Pinkerton of Farmington, Allen Prewett and Brittany Hall both of Doniphan; one great grandson, Karrson Sisco of Puxico; two sisters, Mary Jane Combs of St. Louis and Patricia Hicks of Old Appleton. Other relatives and friends also survive.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Sara Smith; two brothers, Stephen & John Wibbenmeyer; two sisters, Regina Thompson and Lillian Martin; and two nieces, Laura Wibbenmeyer and Renee' Weibrecht.

Friends may visit on Thursday, May 21, 2015, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the First Baptist Church in Parma, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held Friday, May 22, 2015, at 2:00 pm at the First Baptist Church in Parma, Missouri with the Rev. Nicholas Robertson of Risco officiating.

Interment will be in the Rosewood Cemetery in Malden, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Parma, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the family c/o Watkins & Sons Funeral Service, P O Box 96, Dexter, MO 63841.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.watkinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.watkinsfuneralhome.com)

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## Betty June Noyes

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### Betty June Noyes

**Betty June Noyes**, daughter of the late Richard Townsend and Faye Wilson Townsend, was born on February 12, 1933 and departed this life on May 18, 2015 at her residence in Essex at the age of 82.

Mrs. Noyes was a member of the Vision of Hope General Baptist Church in Essex and a resident of Essex. She was a homemaker, a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

On September 29, 1951, she was united in marriage to Harvey Noyes in Piggott, Arkansas. Mr. Noyes survives of the home in Essex.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by one son, David Noyes and Vicky of Dexter; by two daughters, Carol Meadows and Larry of Dudley and Pam Niederstadt and James of Springfield, Missouri; by one brother, Clifford Townsend of Dexter; by ten grandchildren, Aaron Niederstadt, Hannah French, Lydia Ashley, Jason Noyes, Priscilla Kjorlaug, Leah Noyes, Ryan Meadows, Jessica Cassinger, Brittany Meadows and Stephanie Meadows; and by fifteen grandchildren, Rose Noyes, Phillip Noyes, Heather Noyes, Alexander French, Max French, Anastasia French, Natalie French, Olivia French, Rex French, Jesse Ashley, Caleb Ashley, Bella Ashley, David Kjorlaug, Maddox Cassinger and Aubrie Cassinger.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Marion (Sonny) Townsend and Virgil Townsend.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. James Malloy and Phil Dawson officiating.

Interment will follow in Hagy Cemetery.

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