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Ida LaVaugh Nichols Baringer

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Ida LaVaugh Nichols Baringer, daughter of the late William Joseph Nichols and Laura Rose Hendley Nichols was born in Bernie, Missouri on March 27, 1934 and departed this life at Winchester Place, in Bernie, Missouri on July 27, 2015 at the age of 81.

Ms. Baringer had served in the United States Air Force, later she had worked as a Switch Board PBS Operator at Malden Air Force Base and also in Bernie.

Survivors include two sons, Airey Norman Baringer II of Louisville, Texas and William Nichols Baringer of Corpus Christi, Texas; by one daughter, Robin Alexis of Houston, Texas; by three sisters, Shirley Louise McGowan, Sherian Lee Todd and Linda Sue Duncan all of Bernie, Missouri; by seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

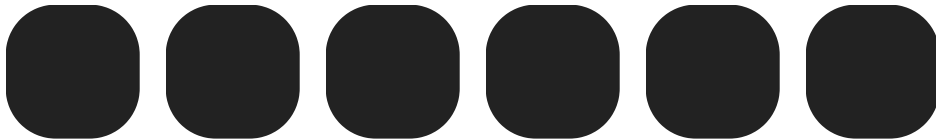
Graveside services will be conducted in Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri on Friday, July 31, 2015 starting at 11:00 A.M. With Full Military Honors.

Rev. James Todd officiating. Interment will follow.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie, Missouri in charge of arrangements

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Clara Mae Cooper

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[Clara Mae Cooper](#)

Clara Mae Cooper, daughter of the late Arlie William McFarlin and Mary Magdalene Owens McFarlin was born in Campbell, Missouri on December 1, 1933 and departed this life in Landmark Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on July 26, 2015 at the age of 81.

Mrs. Cooper had worked at Brown Shoe Company in Bernie for 32 years. She was a member of Bernie Church of Christ and a resident of Bernie.

She was united in marriage to Travis Dale Cooper in Piggott, Arkansas on January 12, 1952. Mr. Cooper remains in their home in Bernie.

Other survivors include one son, Randall Keith Cooper of Dexter, Missouri; by one daughter, Sherry Lynn Barnes of Bernie, Missouri; by two grandchildren, Travis Andrew Randall Cooper and Christopher Allen Barnes; also by other

relatives and friends.

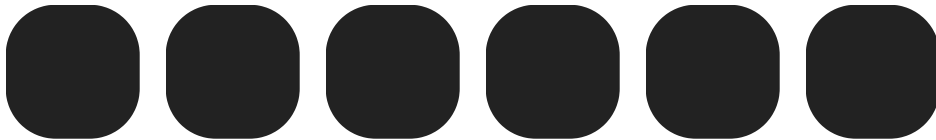
She was preceded in death, other than by her parents, by one son, Ronald Dale Cooper on September 10, 2014. Also by one brother and one sister.

Graveside services will be conducted in Bernie Cemetery on Thursday, July 30, 2015 starting at 11:00 A.M. Interment will follow. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Reba Sides

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Reba Sides, daughter of the late I. G. Boyle and Rhea Looney Boyle was born in Morrilton, Arkansas on December 25, 1931 and departed this life in Malden Nursing & Rehab of Malden, Missouri on July 25, 2015 at the age of 83.

Mrs. Sides had been a School Teacher at Bernie Junior High and Senior High Schools for many years. She had served on Stoddard County Children's Home Board and was a member of the Bernie United Methodist Church.

She was united in marriage to Wayne Sides in Bernie, Missouri on April 6, 1951. Mr. Sides remains in the home in Bernie.

Other survivors include two sons, Gary Sides and wife Terrie, Kevin Sides and wife Tammy, all of Festus, Missouri; by seven grandchildren, Laura, Ryan, Austin, Courtney, Nick, Matthew and Michael; by two great-grandchildren, Bennett Cooper and Elliott James Cooper; also by other relatives and many friends.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, July 29, 2015 in the Bernie United Methodist Church starting at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Susan Marnier-Sides and Rev. Dave Fowler officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

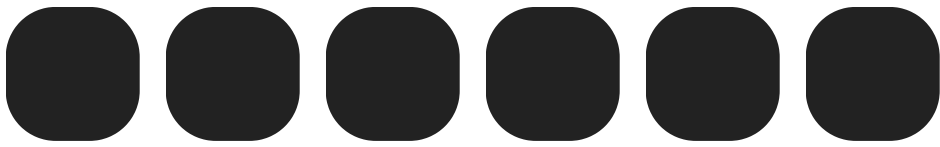
In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Stoddard County Children's Home or to the Bernie United Methodist Church.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Joseph Harding Heskett

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Joseph Harding "Joe" Heskett, son of the late William Harold & Anna Farris Heskett, was born in Horn Beak, Tennessee, on September 13, 1923, and passed away at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on July 26, 2015, at the age of 91 years, 10 months and 3 days.

He had lived in Arnold, Missouri for many years, moved to Zalma in 1976 and later moved to Advance. He had worked for Maloney Electric in St. Louis and after moving to Zalma he and his wife had owned and operated the Zalma Liquor Store and then Joe's Place in Advance.

On December 6, 1947, he was married to Rose Annetta Best in St. Louis, Missouri. She preceded him in death on September 13, 2014.

Surviving are one son & wife, Michael & Bonnie Heskett of Fenton; five daughters & husbands, Pamela J. & Dennis Pittman of Millersville, Deborah J. Kahl of Cape Girardeau, Vickie G. & Randy Rhodes of Zalma, Brenda L. Abernathy and Sharon R. Wade both of Advance; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-four great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren; and one brother, Charles H. Heskett of Muskegon, Michigan. Other relatives and friends also survive. He was preceded in death by, four brothers, W. "Russell", Lance T. "Jack", Paul D. and his twin James H. "Jim" Heskett; three sisters, Katherine J. Strickler, Clara D. Blechle and Nell R. Allison.

Friends may call on Tuesday, July 28, 2015, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at 10:00 am at the Watkins

and Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with Rev. Steve Tippen of Bloomfield officiating. Interment will be at 11:00 a.m. in the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield, 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
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info@watkinsfuneralhome.com or phone 573 624 3548

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Michael Keith Clay Sr.

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[Michael Keith Clay Sr.](#)

Michael Keith Clay Sr., 59, of Dexter passed away Thursday, July 23, 2015 in Cape Girardeau.

He was born August 5, 1955 at Flint, Michigan, son of Frank F. and Madeline Hague Clay. Michael married Danise Dyle May 22, 1987.

Loving survivors include his wife; two sons, Michael (Monica) Clay Jr. of Arnold, Missouri and Kyle (Candyce) Clay of Scott City, Missouri; two daughters Casey (Michael) Goode of Nabb, Indiana and Salem Clay of Springfield, Missouri; six grandchildren, Tabbitha, Kody, and Cheyenne Clay and Jade Sherrod, Ashton and Caleb Goode; one brother Tom (Carol) Clay and his mother Madeline Clay all of Dexter.

He was preceded in death by his father and a sister, Patricia Clay.

Visitation will be Sunday, July 26th, from 12:30 p.m. until time of service at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

The funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Dennis Ward officiating. Burial will follow in Dexter Cemetery.

Memorial donations may take the form of contributions to Saint Francis Cancer Center, 211 Saint Francis Drive, Cape Girardeau, Missouri 63703

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