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## Clifford Norman Conduct

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### Clifford Norman Conduct

**Clifford Norman Conduct** the son of Gilbert Earl Conduct and Allie Lucinda Davis Conduct was born in Essex, Missouri on July 15, 1927 and departed this life at his residence in Bernie, Missouri on October 14, 2015 at the age of 88.

Mr. Conduct had served his country in the United States Navy, had owned and operated a farm until 1970 and had then worked at Arvin Meritor in Dexter, Missouri until his retirement.

He was united in marriage to Velda Mae McGowan in Piggott, Arkansas on March 1, 1950. Mrs. Conduct preceded her husband in death on April 20, 2003.

Survivors include three sons, Norman Donald Conduct, Clifford Conduct Jr. and Barry Wayne Conduct all of Bernie, Missouri; by three daughters, Judy Carolyn Arnold of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, Lela Ann Smith and Susan Lee Reif both of Bernie, Missouri; by 15 Granchildren, 33 Great-Grandchildren and 13 Great-Great-Grandchildren; also by other relatives and many friends.

Other than by his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Earl Conduct, Clyde Conduct and Carl Conduct; by five sisters all in infancy.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Friday, October 16, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday morning, October 17, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. with Pastor Dale Hartle officiating.

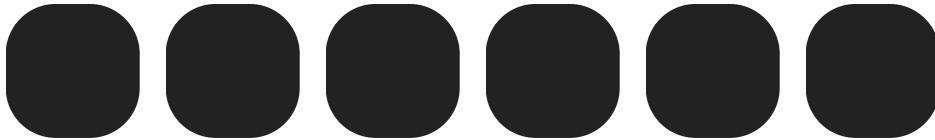
Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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## Robert Michael Becker

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Robert Michael Becker

**Robert Michael Becker**, age 49, of Arkadelphia, passed from this life on Friday, October 2, 2015 at UAMS in Little Rock. He was born October 6, 1965 in Festus, MO, the son of Larry Gene and Barbara Courtney Becker. Robert was a overland truck driver for AF Transportation. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Robert was a member of Center

Grove Methodist Church. He was a United States Army veteran of Desert Storm.

Robert is survived by his parents, Larry and Helen Becker and Barbara and Jim Partney, his wife, Christy McClure Becker, three sons, Logan, Cody and Adam Becker, two daughters, Cassidy Purtle and Chelsea McKay, two brothers, Scott Becker and Dustin Partney, two step brothers, Larry and David White, three sisters, Melissa Becker, Lisa Arnold and Kristi Jackson, and two great grandchildren, Carter Lawrence and Amelia McKay.

A memorial service was held at 1:00 PM Tuesday at Center Grove Methodist Church with Rev. Travis Langley officiating.

Interment with military honors was held at 3:00 PM Tuesday at Easley Cemetery.

Final arrangements are entrusted to The Welch Funeral Home of Arkadelphia. Visit [www.welchfh.net](http://www.welchfh.net) to sign the guest book and view the video tribute.

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# Thelma Idabel Oliver

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## Thelma Idabel Oliver

**Thelma Idabel Oliver**, daughter of Lester Medlin and Gracie Allen Medlin, was born on August 27, 1924 in Bernie, Missouri and died October 6, 2015 at Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 91.

During the depression years, Thelma helped her family sharecrop by picking cotton, chopping cotton and pitching hay. She was employed at Campbell Filter for many years. She loved to make people laugh and in spite of her declining health, she never lost her sense of humor.

She was a member of the Dexter Church of Christ for nearly seventy years. She loved the Lord and during her long life, she taught many people about the gospel message.

On September 15, 1950, she was united in marriage to Billy Lee Oliver in Piggott, Arkansas. He continues to reside in Dexter, Missouri.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by their only child, Vicki Hopgood and her husband Terry of Rolla, Missouri; by two grandchildren, Aaron Hopgood of Rolla, Missouri and Allison Rogerson and her husband Christian of Balikpapan, Indonesia; by six great-grandchildren, Grace Rogerson, Noah Rogerson, Jackson Rogerson, Cooper Rogerson, William Rogerson and Samuel Rogerson; by four sisters, Mildred Carlton of Dexter, Missouri, Melba Ward-Walker of Bernie, Missouri, Louise Dye of Kennett, Missouri and Bonnie Brigman of Aurora, Colorado.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by four brothers, Clifford Medlin, Clecy Medlin, Welton Medlin and Donny Ray Medlin; and by two sisters, Eva Embrey and Wilma Walker.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Saturday, October 10, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. with Clyde Jacques officiating.

Interment will follow in the Essex Cemetery in Essex, Missouri.

The family requests that donations be made to Crowley's Ridge Youth Camp, c/o Children's Homes, Inc., 5515 Walcott Road, Paragould, Arkansas 72450.

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## Brenda Earline Bowling

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Brenda Earline Bowling

**Brenda Earline Bowling**, daughter of the late Earl Bowling and Helen Weaver Bowling, was born on July 12, 1952 in Bloomfield, Missouri and departed this life on October 4, 2015 at Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter at the age of 63.

Ms. Bowling was a member of the First General Baptist Church in Bloomfield and was a resident of Bloomfield.

She is survived by four brothers, Ronald Bowling and his wife Shirley of Bloomfield, Missouri, Larry Jay Bowling and his wife Kathy of Bloomfield, Missouri, Michael Bowling and his wife Pam of Coolidge, Arizona and Kenneth Bowling and his wife Cheryl of Bloomfield, Missouri; and by two sisters, Vicky Bowling and Debra Bowling, both of Bloomfield, Missouri.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert Earl Bowling and Bobby Ray Bowling.

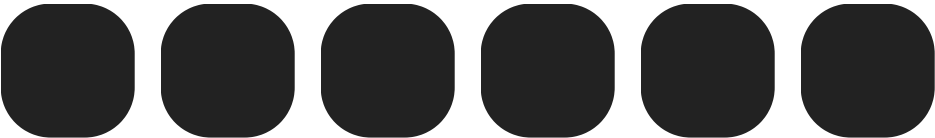
Visitation was held at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 from 1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. David Looney officiating. Interment followed in the Hill Cemetery in Bloomfield.

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Hurcle Eugene Kinder

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## Hurcle Eugene Kinder

**Hurcle Eugene Kinder** - With a spring in his step and a song on his lips, Hurcle Eugene Kinder lived his 77 years here on Earth. His happy-go-lucky demeanor was contagious. Even suffering from the cruel disease, Lewy Body Dementia, he never spoke a harsh word. Instead he would shake hands, kiss, and sing to everyone, even strangers. His laughter will echo through the lives of those around him.

Hurcle Eugene Kinder passed from this life to the next on Saturday, October 3, 2015. He was the son of Oscar Elmer Kinder and Mary Alvin Kinder and was born on December 27, 1937, in Painton, MO. On September 13, 1957, he was united in marriage to Janet Marie Isaac in Sikeston, MO.

Mr. Kinder was a Korean War veteran. He served in the United States Navy aboard the USS Intrepid. After his service, Mr. Kinder returned home and provided for his family. He is survived by three daughters, Robin Glass of Bell City, Shelley Green of Bloomfield, and Wendy Guzman of Dexter; by one brother, Arthur Lee Kinder of Dexter; four sisters, Joyce Kinder and Betty Johns of Sikeston, Margaret Long of Bell City, and Barbara Jones of Puryear, TN; nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Stephen Kinder and his wife, Janet Marie Kinder.

Mr. Kinder was a longtime resident of Southeast Missouri and then moved to Farmersville, CA, where he and Mrs. Kinder resided for 25 years. Mr. Kinder retired as a custodian from the Farmersville School District. He was also a member of the Apostolic Church pastored by Rev. Steve Love. The couple then moved back to Southeast Missouri due to illness.

Mr. Kinder could frequently be seen riding his bicycle to the flea market "shucking and jiving" while trading knives and watches. You never saw him without his Bible in his shirt pocket; he loved to minister the Word of God. This sweet-spirited man also enjoyed playing his harmonica. The playful melody can still be heard if you listen well. Mr. Kinder was also the biggest clown you would ever meet. He was known for his practical jokes and his goofy facial expressions.

As a family, we are honored to have shared this incredible journey with him. If we could use one word to sum up Hurcle Kinder's life, it would be: FUN.

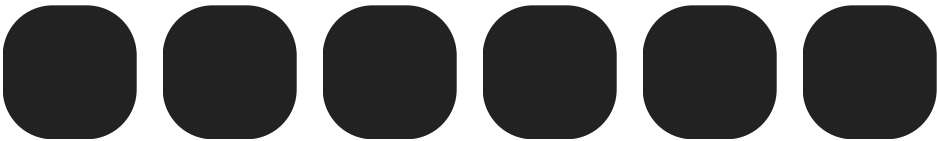
Visitation will be at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, October 7, 2015, from 5 p. m. to 8 p. m. Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, October 8, 2015, at 1 p. m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with

Tommy Green officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veteran's Cemetery.

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