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Jimmy Cooper

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Jimmy Cooper

Jimmy Cooper, son of the late M.L. Cooper and Lula Moore Cooper was born on March 7, 1936 at Bernie and departed this life in the SoutheastHEALTH of Cape Girardeau on October 31, 2015 at the age of 79.

Mr. Cooper was a member of the First General Baptist Church in Dexter, a veteran of the United States Army serving during the Korean War, a former employee of the Brown Shoe Company in Bernie, the former Vice-President of manufacturing for Wolverine Boots in Aurora, Missouri , a member of the Bernie Masonic Lodge and a resident of Bernie.

He is survived by two sons, David Lee Cooper of West Des Moines, Iowa and Tony Lynn Cooper of Payson, Arizona: by three brothers, Gene Cooper of Spanaway, Washington, Kenneth Cooper of Dexter and Jackie Cooper of St. Louis: by one sister, JoAnn Bowman of Bernie: by four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Marcus Cooper and Steve Cooper.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P. M., Sunday, November 1, 2015.

A Masonic Service will be conducted at 7:00 P.M., Sunday evening.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:00 A.M., Monday, November 2, 2015 in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Kenneth Biggs officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery at Bloomfield with Full Military Honors.

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Virginia G. Parker

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[Virginia G. Parker](#)

Virginia G. Parker, daughter of the late Loy Riley “Pat” Patterson and Talitha Ann Aslin Patterson, was born on January 18, 1922 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on October 30, 2015 at Chateau Girardeau in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 93.

Mrs. Parker was a member of the Lynwood Baptist Church in Cape Girardeau and also a member of the First Baptist Church in Dexter for many years.

She had worked as a bookkeeper and homemaker and was a former resident of Dexter.

On December 25, 1942, she was united in marriage to Arthur Bryant "Archie" Parker in Dexter, Missouri. Mr. Parker preceded her in death on March 9, 2001. She later married Ale Clifford Cato who also preceded her in death.

She is survived by two sons, Stephen Bryant Parker and his wife Celeste of Spearfish, South Dakota and Michael Loy Parker and his wife Dawn of Sikeston, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Andrea Parker, Gregory Parker, Geoffrey Parker and Jennifer McCoy; and by five great-grandchildren, Aden Parker, Elise Parker, Henley Parker, Elizabeth McCoy and William McCoy; and by four step-daughters, Pamela Horton, Sandra Cato, Janet Cornelius and Amy Reynolds.

In addition to her husbands and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Jimmy Patterson and Loy Riley Patterson, Jr.; and by six sisters, Patsy Ann Patterson, Pauline Hardy, Opal Campbell, Ruth Swindle, Loyce Reed and Barbara Mouser.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, November 2, 2015 from 1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Funeral services will follow at 2:30 P.M. with Rev. David Ross officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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Linda Mae Wright

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Linda Mae Wright

Linda Mae Wright, 75, of Dexter passed away on Monday, October 26th at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, MO following a courageous battle with multiple myeloma cancer.

Linda was born on August 8th, 1940, in Kennett, MO to Archie Douglas and Elizabeth Lochial Milburn. She married Billy Pat Wright on June 16, 1961 at the Hayti Church of Christ. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother and enjoyed spending time with her family.

Linda was a graduate of Freed Hardeman University in Henderson, Tennessee. She and Billy Pat Wright owned Century 21 Real Estate where she served as a broker. She was a substitute teacher for the Dexter school system. She also worked for the unemployment office for several years and retired as an auditor for the state of Missouri.

She was a member of the Dexter Church of Christ. She was an avid seamstress and loved to read and cook. She was a former president of the Dexter Republican Club. She enjoyed the beaches of Gulf Shores and Captiva Island, as well as spending time at Windy Hill Farms near Eleven Point River and Forche Lake.

Linda is survived by her husband of 54 years, Billy Pat Wright, three daughters, six grandchildren, and one brother. Family survivors include daughter Elaine Elizabeth Meade and spouse Chris of Orlando, FL; daughter Leah Wright Kelley of Dexter, MO; daughter Laura Paige Niblett and spouse Tad of Foley, AL; Grandchildren Drew and Kole Kelley, Jackson and Lighton Meade, and Riley and Cassidy Niblett; brother Douglas Milburn and spouse Debbie of Kennett, MO.

Funeral and visitation arrangements have been made at the Dexter Church of Christ. Services will be held on Thursday, October 29th. Visitation will be 12-1pm with the funeral immediately following.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Donations may be made in lieu of flowers to the following:

Freed Hardeman University, 158 E. Main Street, Henderson, TN 38340

Harding University 915 E. Market Avenue, Searcy AR 72143

Children's Home Inc. 5515 Walcott Road, Paragould, AR 72450

Stoddard County Children's Home Inc. P.O. Box 164, Dexter, MO 63841

Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies. The heart of her husband safely trusts her; so he will have no lack of gain. She does him good and not evil all the days of her life.....She watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.....Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband also, and he praises her...Proverbs 31 KJV

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Kevin Lynn Maddox

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Kevin Lynn Maddox

Kevin Lynn Maddox, son of Robert C. Maddox of Essex, Missouri and Virginia Cobb of Chaffee, Missouri, was born on April 25, 1973 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on October 27, 2015 at Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau at the age of 42.

Mr. Maddox had worked as a farm laborer and was a resident of Essex, Missouri.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Bethany Stanberry Maddox of the home; by two sons, Austin Maddox and Tyler Maddox of Essex, Missouri; by one daughter, McKenzie Maddox of Essex, Missouri; by one brother Steven Cruse of Sikeston, Missouri; by one half - brother, Chad Michael Maddox of Gray Ridge, Missouri; by his maternal grandmother, Edith Cobb of Dexter; and by his paternal grandparents, C. L. and Vivian Maddox of Essex, Missouri.

He was preceded in death by one brother Bobby Carl Maddox and by one half -brother, Robert James Maddox.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, October 29, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Graveside services will follow at 11:00 A.M. at Dexter Cemetery.

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Oleta Hicks

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Oleta Hicks

Oleta Hicks, daughter of the late Homer Stumbaugh and Rosie Freeman Stumbaugh, was born on April 5, 1935 in Lamar, Arkansas and departed this life on October 26, 2015 at her residence in Essex at the age of 80.

Mrs. Hicks worked for the Richland School District as a secretary for thirty-four years.

On December 24, 1954, she was united in marriage to Cecil Hicks in Yuma, Arizona. Mrs. Hicks preceded her in death on September 16, 2015.

She is survived by one son, Keith Hicks and his wife Evelyn of Essex, Missouri; by one daughter, Sheryll Page of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; By one sister, Loreta Watson of Wappapello, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Nick Cozby, Katie Cozby, Ryan Hicks and Ashley Hicks; by three great-grandchildren, Lily Cozby, Ryker Cozby and Hudson Daugherty; by one step-grandson, Luke Patrick; and by one step-great-grandson, Finn Patrick.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one sister, Erma Hemphill.

A graveside service will be conducted at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Friday, October 30, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. with Rev. James Malloy and Rev. Ronnie Ledbetter officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery.

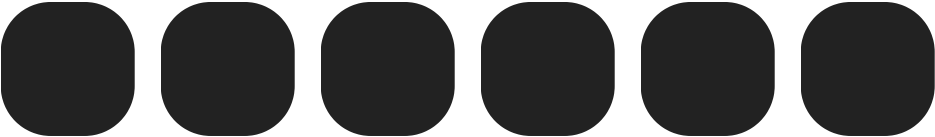
The family requests that memorials be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P. O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, Tennessee 38101-9908 or the Stoddard County Children's Home Memorial Tribute Fund, P. O. Box 164, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

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