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Rodney Brillhart

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Rodney Brillhart

Rodney Brillhart, son of Sue Palmer Brillhart of Dexter and the late Harley LeRoy Brillhart was born on May 8, 1960 at Escondido, California and departed this life in the SoutheastHEALTH of Cape Girardeau on November 1, 2015 at the age of 55.

Rod was a material handler for Nestle Purina near Bloomfield and a resident of Dexter.

He was united in marriage to Sharon Gordon on May 10, 1982 at Dexter. Mrs. Brillhart survives of the home in Dexter.

Besides his wife and mother, he is survived by one daughter, Bobbi (Ryan) Maldonado of Bloomfield: by two sisters, Rhonda Chasteen of Dexter and Debra Fritz of Murrieta, California: by two grandchildren, Olivia Maldonado and Emma Maldonado.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 9:30 A.M. until 11:30 A.M., Thursday, November 5, 2015.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 11:30 A.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

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John Earl Dowdy

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John Earl Dowdy

John Earl Dowdy, son of the late Earl Dowdy and Pauline Robertson Dowdy was born on February 25, 1944 in Bernie and departed this life of October 31, 2015 at the Southeast Health of Stoddard County at the age of 71.

Mr. Dowdy was a Veteran of the United States Army National Guard. He was an ordained Deacon and a member of the First Baptist Church in Poplar Bluff. He had worked at several Wal-Mart Stores as the Store Manager. Mr. Dowdy had lived in Poplar Bluff for several years, before moving to Dexter.

On November 17, 1962 he was united in marriage to Carolyn Douglas in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Mrs. Dowdy survives of their home in Dexter.

Besides his wife he is survived by one son, Josh Dowdy of Johnston City, Illinois; by one sister, Elaine and husband Ken Reddick of Maryland Heights, Missouri; by one granddaughter, Avalyn Dowdy of Johnston City, Illinois and by two nephews, Dennis Dowdy of Henderson, Nevada and Michael Hurley of Memphis, Tennessee.

Besides his parents he was preceded in death by one daughter, Deshay Dowdy; by one

brother, Rex Dowdy and by one sister, Earline Dowdy.

A grave-side memorial service will be conducted on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. at the Bernie Cemetery with Dr. William Vail officiating.

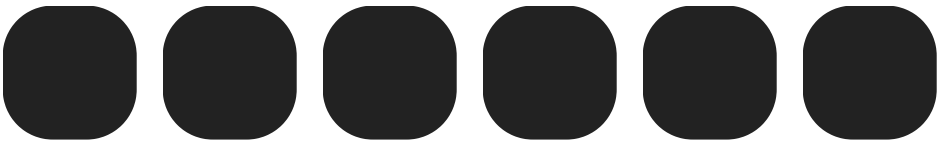
Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests all memorials be made to the First Baptist Church of Poplar Bluff or to 18 ForeLife c/o Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

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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.

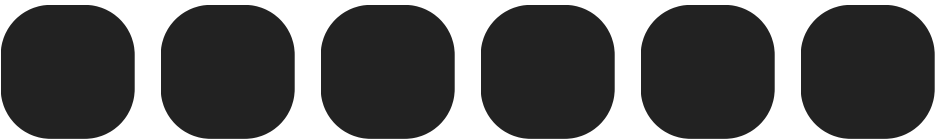
Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, November 2, 2015 from 1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

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 Lughton 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

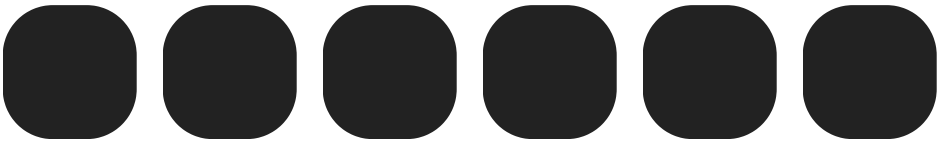
Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies. The heart of her husband safely trusts her; so he will have no lack of gain. She does him good

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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