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Estelle Marie Allen Martin

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Estelle Marie Allen Martin

Estelle Marie Allen Martin, daughter of the late Frank J. Haba and Sophie M. Supak Haba, was born on September 17, 1930 in Moulton, Texas, and departed this life on November 4, 2015 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 85 years.

In 1948 Estelle was united in marriage to Donald Allen in Witting, Texas, and to this union 7 children were born. Mr. Allen preceded her in death in 1986. She was then married to Barney Martin in 1993. Mr. Martin also preceded her in death in 2002.

Estelle graduated from Baldwin Business College in Yoakum, Texas. She and Don moved to Dexter in 1952 with their 3 small children, but neither ever lost their deep love of Texas. She worked as the librarian at Dexter Senior High School for 35 years. She was a member of St. Ann's Altar and Rosary Sodality, Church Women United, Golden Circle, a faithful member and goodwill representative of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and a resident of Dexter.

Survivors include one son, Don Allen of Urbana, Illinois; four daughters, Marilyn (Steve) Austin of Tucson, Arizona, Karen (Chet) Fleming of Celina, Ohio, Denise (Neal) Ayers of Dexter, and Mary Jo Allen of Dallas, Texas; one brother, Frank (Susan) Haba of Lavernia, Texas; one sister, Adelle Seitz of Yoakum, Texas; seven grandchildren, Greg

(Karen) Austin of San Marcos, California, Melissa (Willis) Whalen of Aldie, Virginia, Carrie (Mario) Morelli of Plymouth, Michigan, Gina Fleming of New Albany, Ohio, Mitch (Jen) Fleming of London, Ohio, Josh Ayers and Blake Ayers both of Dexter; eleven great-grandchildren, Madeline and Grant Ayers, Skylar, Austin, and Bryce Whalen, Grace and Brady Morelli, Logan and Savanna Christ, and Peyton and Jacob Fleming; and many much-loved nieces and nephews. Estelle is also survived by her longtime dearest friend, Barbara Bath of Dexter.

Besides her husbands and parents, she was also preceded in death by two daughters, Diane Marie and Jean Yvonne; also by one sister, Viola Rose.

Estelle was a passionate supporter of St. Jude's Children's Hospital, the Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, World Visions, Federal Way, and the Barney Martin Scholarship.

She was blessed with many talents, including gardening, seamstress creations for multiple generations of her family, her well known pies, and making her family's favorite strawberry and peach preserves. She generously shared her time and talents with her church community. She touched many lives with her kindness and unconditional love, and will be missed by many.

Visitation will be held on Sunday evening, November 8, 2015 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dexter from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. with the Rosary being said at 7:00 P.M.

Funeral Mass will be conducted on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 9:30 A.M. with Father David Dohogne officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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Doris A. Elder

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Doris A. Elder

Doris A. Elder, daughter of the late Lester M. Jones and Dollie Clark Jones Jenkins, was born on October 4, 1939 in Randles, Missouri and departed this life on November 3, 2015 at SoutheastHEALTH in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 76.

Mrs. Elder was a member of the Gospel Assembly of Dexter. She worked for more than twenty years as an apartment manager for Carl Bien and was a resident of Dexter.

She is survived by two daughters, Debbie K. Fuqua and Michelle L. Williamson, both of Dexter; by one brother, Hilbert M. Jones of Sulphur, Louisiana; by one sister, Margaret L. Pauling of Freemont, Ohio; by nine grandchildren; and by twelve great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Maxie Morey, Jr., and by one brother, Wesley L. Jones.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, November 6, 2015 from 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will follow in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Winiferd Wren officiating.

Interment will follow in the Union Park Cemetery in Chaffee, Missouri.

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Carla June McClard

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[Carla June McClard](#)

Carla June McClard, daughter of the late Curtis Alvin McClard, Sr. and Dorothy Irene Waggoner McClard, was born on October 13, 1954 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on October 16, 2015 at Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 61.

Ms. McClard was a member of the Bridge Church of Christ in Pyle Town. She had worked for twenty-five years as a radiologist. At the time of her illness, she was a driver for PTI Transportation and was a resident of Dexter.

She is survived by three brothers, Curtis McClard, Jr. and his wife Vickie of Dexter, Missouri, Donald McClard and his wife Patricia of Fort Worth, Texas and Robert McClard and his wife Linda of Hamilton, Ohio; and by one sister, Gayle Carey and her husband Dennis of New Haven, Missouri; and by many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one sister, Peggy McClard.

Friends may call at the Bridge Church of Christ in Pyle Town on Saturday, November 7, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

A Memorial Service will follow with Curtis McClard, Jr. officiating.

The family requests that donations be made to Stoddard County ARC, P. O. Box 444, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

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Norma Jean Lowery

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Norma Jean Lowery

Norma Jean Lowery, daughter of the late Everett Lonze Orr and Aliene Bird Orr was born in New Madrid, Missouri on May 18, 1942 and departed this life at her residence in Bernie, Missouri at the age of 73.

Ms. Lowery was a waitress, a homemaker and a member of Bernie Nazarene Church.

Survivors include one son, Johnny Keith Ranberger of Bernie, Missouri; one daughter, Johnna Joy Ranberger Edwards of Bloomfield, Missouri; by one brother, Franklin Orr of Lumberton, Texas; by one sister Melba Joyce Norton of Hilton, New York; by six grandchildren; also by other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents, by one brother Everett “Junior” Orr.

No services are being planned at this time. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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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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