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John Telker

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John Telker

John Telker was born on July 23, 1941 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri to the F. P. Telker & Wanda Lockaby Telker. He departed this life on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at the Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 74 years 3 months and 11 days.

John Telker was a Junior High Math teacher for the Bernie School.

On May 26, 1967 in Malden, Missouri he was united in marriage to Sharon Jean Farr Telker. She survives of the home in Malden.

His other survivors include: Son: Brian David Telker & wife, Priscella of West Memphis, Arkansas. Daughter: Jennifer Lynn Mobley & husband, Steven of Branson, Missouri. Grandson: Chance Mobley of Branson, Missouri. Granddaughter: Sara Mobley of Branson, Missouri.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held on Monday, November 9, 2015 at the Landess Funeral Home chapel in Malden for 11:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Funeral services will follow 12:00 p.m. at the Landess Funeral Chapel in Malden with Reverend Aulden LeBlanc officiating.

Interment will be in the Memorial Park Cemetery in Malden, Missouri.

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Eldon Keith Shirkey

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Eldon Keith Shirkey, son of the late Chester Shirkey and Emogene (Jean) Miller Shirkey was born in Morehouse, Missouri and departed this life at his residence in Morehouse, Missouri on November 6, 2015 at the age of 65.

Mr. Shirkey had worked at Sperry Rail Service as a Driver and a Mechanic. He was a Baptist faith.

He was united in marriage to Brenda Shamblin in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on December 6, 1974. Mrs. Shirkey survives in their home in Morehouse.

Other survivors include two sons, Eric Shirley & wife Laci of Collierville, Tennessee and Ryan Shirkey & Christy Williams of Bloomfield, Missouri; by one grandson, Collins McKenzie Shirkey; by three brothers, Charles Shirkey of Morehouse, Chester Shirkey of Puxico and Harvey Shirkey of Sikeston; by three sisters, Aleta Shirkey of Morehouse, Bertha Evans of Chaffee and Melba Gates of Sikeston; also by other relatives and friends.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri on Monday Evening, November 9, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral Services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter, on Tuesday afternoon November 10, 2015 at 2:30 P.M.

Rev. Rick Shamblin officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri in charge of all arrangements.

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Wanda Lee Foster

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Wanda Lee Foster

Wanda Lee Foster, daughter of the late Walter Fleeman and Ila McArthur Fleeman was born in Leachville, Arkansas on February 20, 1929 and departed this life at Mulberry Manor in Dexter, Missouri on November 6, 2015 at the age of 86.

Mrs. Foster was a homemaker and attended Liberty Hill Church.

She was united in marriage to Harry Willis Foster in Dexter, Missouri on July 24, 1946. Mr. Foster preceded his wife in death on March 3, 2009.

Survivors include one son, Jerry Foster & wife Linda of Dexter; by two grandchildren, Todd Foster and Dylan Foster; by four great-grandchildren, Megan Foster, Ryder Foster, Kaiden Foster and Finn Foster; by one brother, Kenneth Fleeman of Peoria, Illinois; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband, by one son, Harry Don Foster; by two brothers, Russell Fleeman and Cecil Fleeman.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri on Monday, November 9, 2015 from 11:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter, with Rev. Joe Payne officiating.

Interment will follow in Dexter Cemetery. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home of Dexter, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

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Christa M. Edmonds

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Christa M. Edmonds

Christa M. Edmonds, daughter of the late Ralph Parks and Wilma Margaret Richardson Parks was born in Bernie, Missouri on January 30, 1938 and departed this life at her residence in Bernie, Missouri on November 6, 2015 at the age of 77.

Mrs. Edmonds had worked at Purolator Manufacturing Company, was a homemaker and a member of Bernie Nazarene Church.

She was united in marriage to Rev. Arvil Edmonds in Bernie, Missouri on December 26, 1998. Rev. Edmonds preceded his wife in death on April 21, 2006.

Survivors include one son, Mike Orr & wife Lucinda of Bernie, Missouri; one step-son, Edward Allen Edmonds & wife Becky of Bernie, Missouri; by one daughter-in-law, Debra Biggs of Bernie, Missouri; by five step-daughters, Susan Rebecca Clark & husband Dee of Bloomfield, Missouri, Shirley Rosetta Williams and Victoria Darlene Hill both of Bernie, Missouri, Cathy Lynn Edmonds of Dexter, Missouri; by six grandchildren, Monica, Joshua, Ryan, Santina, Tracey and Kristopher; by ten step-grandchildren, Alicia, Ian, Daniel, Latisha, Stephanie, Randy, Christopher, Mandy, Jeffrey and Misti; by seven Great-grandchildren, Jaden, Jordan, Jessica, Mathew, JoshuaRyan, Jasper and Joslin; by 24 great-grandchildren, Will, James, Mady, Chloe, Oniece, Edward, Cody, Austin, Devin, Kelsey, Adalyn, Beau, Schuylar, Shelby, Bellamy, Alyssa, Hailey, Braden, Aden, Erin, Elena, Jacquin, Jaron and Waylon; also by other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents, and her husband, by one son, Steve Orr; by one great-grandson, Phanes Orr; by two step grandchildren, Erin Powell and Jarrett Frazier.

Friends may call at the Nazarene Church in Bernie, Missouri on Monday, November 9, 2015 from 11:30 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Bernie Nazarene Church at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Steve Fitzpatrick and Rev. Don Wells Officiating.

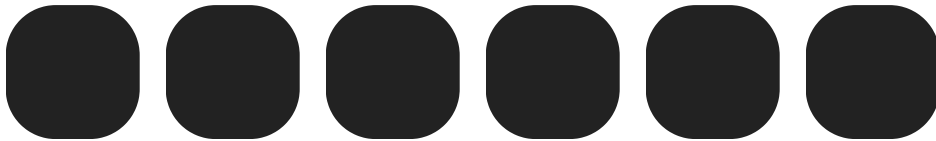
Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Donald Jackson Harper

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Donald Jackson Harper, Bloomfield, departed this life on November 6, 2015 at his residence. He was born on December 5, 1923 to Reuben and Thelma Alsup Harper.

After graduating from Bloomfield High with the class of 1943, he served in the Navy, during WW II on the U.S.S. Jarvis. During the Korean Conflict he served on the U.S.S. Benham. The Benham took a Good Will Tour to Europe and was at the Rock of Gibraltar when he received word his son was born.

He married Maxine Guilliams on September 30, 1950 at Piggott, Arkansas. In addition to his wife one son, "Rip" Harper & wife Karen of Dexter, one daughter, Melisia Bowie Parker and husband Larry of Dudley, four grandchildren, Ben Bowie & Jessie, Amy Briggs & husband Adam of Lawrence, Kansas and Theron Harper of Reno, NV, Beth Fowler & husband Billy of Dexter. Two great-grandchildren, Richard J. Bowie and Gracyn Fowler also many friends and relatives.

He was a member of the Dexter Church of Christ, the American Legion and a lifetime member of the AMVETS. He worked as a electrical lineman for the REA and later traveled with the IBEW

He was active in the community, serving time on the school board and as a alderman of the city, filling in for a year for the Mayor.

Don enjoyed spending hours at the family farm and at their cabin on Current River. He was a avid deer and turkey hunter.

In addition to his parents and his brother Joseph, by two sisters, Virginia Grant and Linda Metzner and a son-in-law, Richard Bowie, preceded him in death.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri on Sunday, November 8, 2015 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter at 1:00 P.M. with Clyde Jacques officiating.

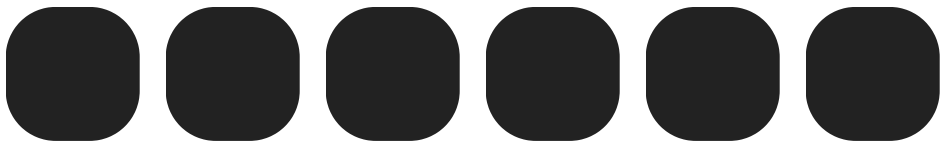
Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of all arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials be sent to Stoddard County Children's Home, or any charity of your choice.

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