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Kenneth Dale Russell

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Kenneth Dale Russell

Kenneth Dale Russell was born on December 15, 1952 to the late Lonnon Leo “Pete” and Georgia Irene Maze Russell of Dudley. Mr. Russell was a life-long resident of Dudley except for the years he served in the United States Air Force. For the majority of his service he was stationed at Hurlburt Field in Florida.

On December 27, 1973, Kenneth was married to Arlessa Alice Dillinger of Dudley. She survives of the home. After serving four years in the Armed Forces, Kenneth and Arlessa returned to Dudley where they raised their two children.

Along with his wife, Arlessa, Kenneth is survived by his two daughters and his son-in-law; Tarah and Brian Carroll and Stacey Russell all of Dudley, extended family members Randy and Jennifer Grace, two granddaughters Alaina and Trilyn Grace, one sister, Christine and Jim Dill of Puxico and one brother, Bob Russell of Puxico.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Jimmy.

Mr. Russell grew up farming and enjoyed being outside. He could be found working around outside in his shop or working in his garden. He was a talented craftsman and enjoyed tinkering with any project.

Most of all, Kenneth loved his family. All three of his girls were the light of his life and his reason he worked so hard. He had a work ethic that was unmatched and he never failed to provide for his family.

As a young man, Kenneth gave his life to the Lord and was a member of Corinth General Baptist Church of Puxico where his mother was a life-long member. On October 25, 2015, Kenneth rededicated his life to the Lord during a Sunday morning service at Friendship Baptist Church where he attended.

The Lord called Kenneth home on Friday, November 13, 2015 as he was surrounded by those who loved him.

Visitation for Kenneth Russell will be Sunday, November 15, 2015 from 5 to 8 pm at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home.

A graveside ceremony will be conducted on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 1:30 in the Dudley Cemetery with Pastor Lonny Mittag officiating.

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Sheila Rae Dodson

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Sheila Rae Dodson

Sheila Rae Dodson, daughter of Augie Brewer and the late Bonnie Gaines Brewer, was born on June 20, 1970 in Sikeston, Missouri and departed this life on November 12, 2015 at Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 45.

Mrs. Dodson had worked as a caregiver for the Visiting Nurses Association and was a resident of Dexter.

On June 22, 2001, she was united in marriage to Derek Dodson in Bloomfield, Missouri. Mr. Dodson survives of the home.

In addition to her husband and father, she is survived by one son, David Shawn Midgett and wife Sherry of Dexter; by one brother Sylvester Stewart of Perryville, Missouri; by two sisters, Sylvia Stewart of Dexter, Missouri and Janet Marler of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; and by one grandson, David Cole Midgett.

Besides her mother, she was preceded in death by one brother, Gilbert Brewer; and by one sister, Barbara Jean Brewer.

A memorial service will be conducted at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 2:30 P.M.

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James Lee Duncan

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James Lee Duncan, the son of the late Theodore and Cleola VanBibber Duncan, was born in Dexter, Missouri on February 15, 1933, and passed away at the St. Clair Nursing Center in St. Clair, Missouri on November 12, 2015 at the age of 82 years, 8 months and 28 days.

Mr. Duncan had lived in St. Louis, Missouri before moving to St. Clair, Missouri in 1971. He was a retired printing press operator and had worked for Orchard Paper Co. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army and enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing, wood working and playing golf.

On August 10, 1957, he was married to Shirley Eona Fetters in St. Louis, Missouri. She preceded him in death on December 31, 2008.

Surviving are two daughters and husband, Cheryl Kay & Thomas Richardson of Richwoods, Missouri, Rhonda Lynn Gilchrist of Rolla, Missouri; one step-son and wife, Charles Cameron & Nancy Summers of Mayflower, Arkansas; eight grandchildren; thirteen great grandchildren; and five sisters, Vivian Duncan, Lenora Bishop, and Marlene Lindsay all of Dexter, Missouri, Ramona Plummer of Bloomfield, Missouri and Norma Gromer of Union, Missouri. Other relatives and friends also survive.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Louise Duncan and his step-father who raised him, Willis Ridge.

Friends may call on Sunday, November 15, 2015, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, November 16, 2015, at 11:00 am in the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri.

Interment will be in the Hagy Cemetery in Dexter, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

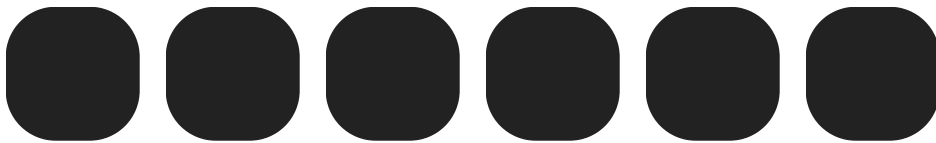
Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com

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Harriett R. Medler

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Harriett R. Medler, daughter of the late Sam Graber and Dorothy Stern Graber was born on May 30, 1934 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and departed this life on

November 11, 2015 at Spencer Place in St. Peters, Missouri at the age of 81.

Mrs. Medler retired from SSM Health of St. Louis and was a resident of St. Peters, Missouri, formerly of Dexter.

On February 20, 1954, she was united in marriage to R. C. Medler in Corinth, Mississippi. Mr. Medler preceded her in death on November 3, 1972.

She is survived by three sons, Tom Medler and wife Alice of Wentzville, Missouri, Jay Medler of O'Fallon, Missouri and Garry Medler and wife Diane of St. Charles, Missouri; and by one daughter, Cheryl Medler of St. Peters, Missouri; by three sisters, Sharon Cohen of St. Louis, Missouri, Dena Ferman and Julia Wertheheimer, all of St. Louis, Missouri; and by three grandchildren, Raymond, Hannah and Connor.

A memorial service will be conducted at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter, Missouri on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at 3:00 P.M. with Mark Snider officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 9370 Olive Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63132-3253.

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James C. Jay Jarrell

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James C. “Jay” Jarrell, son of the late J. H. Jarrell and Evelyn Hutchcraft Jarrell, was born on April 22, 1928 in Dudley, Missouri and departed this life on November 10, 2015 at SoutheastHEALTH in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 87.

Mr. Jarrell was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Dexter and he and his wife were owners of Jay’s Music Company in Dexter for many years. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and a resident of Dexter.

On October 6, 1947, he was united in marriage to Alice Hall in Piggott, Arkansas. Mrs. Jarrell survives of the home.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Jerry Jarrell and wife Vicky and Denny Jarrell and wife Paula, all of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, T. L. Jarrell and Dean Jarrell, both of Dudley, Missouri; by four sisters, Dorothy Kinworthy of Dexter, Missouri, Melba Dewrock of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Louise Abbott of Dudley, Missouri and Janice Patterson of Dexter, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Julie Jarrell Welker, Molly Jarrell Miller, Alison Jarrell and Jason Jarrell; and by three great-grandchildren, Henry Welker, Lucy Miller and Bode Welker.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, November 13, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Funeral services will follow in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel at 11:00 A.M. with Dr. Barry Winders officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dudley Cemetery.

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