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Lora Mae Wamble

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Lora Mae Wamble

Lora Mae Wamble, daughter of the late Earl Bell and Elizabeth Childers Bell, was born in Arkansas on June 30, 1930 and departed this life on November 29, 2015 at the Golden Living Center in Bloomfield, Missouri at the age of 85.

Mrs. Wamble was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Essex, Missouri. She had worked as a cook at the Green Meadows Retirement Home in Sikeston, Missouri and was a resident of Bloomfield.

On May 22, 1948, she was united in marriage to Harold Wamble in Grayridge, Missouri. Mr. Wamble preceded her in death on November 22, 1993.

She is survived by three sons, Earl Wamble of Essex, Missouri, Phillip Wamble of Bernie, Missouri and Kenny Wamble of Bernie, Missouri; by four daughters, Veda Laird of Bloomfield, Missouri, Rita Haynes of Bernie, Missouri, Gail Graham of Dexter, Missouri and Crystal Bess of Dexter, Missouri; and by thirteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Johnnie Wamble; and by one brother, Franklin Bell.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, December 2, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, December 2, 2015 at 12:00 Noon with Rev. Moses Grayson

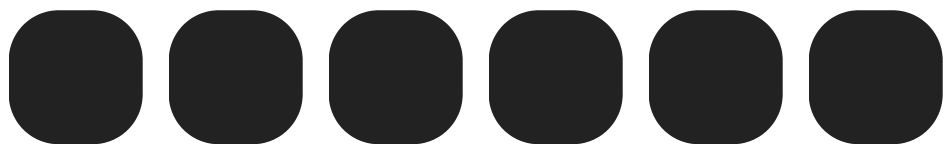
officiating.

Interment will follow in the Essex Cemetery.

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Jayne Elynn Brown

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Jayne Elynn Brown

Jayne Elynn Brown, the daughter of Janet McDonald Meadows and the late T. R. Meadows, was born in Dexter, Missouri on October 5, 1956, and passed away at her home in Dudley, Missouri on November 29, 2015, at the age of 59 years, 1 months and 24 days.

Mrs. Brown had lived in Dudley Missouri all her life. She had worked as a shipping clerk at Faurecia in Dexter.

On August 9, 1985, she was married to Lloyd Brown in Fisk, Missouri. He preceded her in death on October 21, 2009.

Surviving are one son, Drew Brown of Dudley, Missouri; one daughter, Carrie Brown of Charlotte, North Carolina; her mother, Janet Meadows of Dudley, Missouri; one brother, Larry Meadows of Dudley, Missouri; and one sister, Cathy Sturgeon of Dexter, Missouri. Other relatives and friends also survive.

Graveside services will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. at the Dudley Cemetery in Dudley, Missouri with the Rev. Lynn Ash of Dexter officiating.

Interment will follow at the Dudley Cemetery in Dudley with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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Larry Allen Stanfield

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Larry Allen Stanfield

Larry Allen Stanfield, son of Larry B. Stanfield and the late Lois W. Barber Stanfield, was born in Dexter, Missouri on March 20, 1961 and departed this life at his residence in Bernie, Missouri on November 28, 2015 at the age of 54.

Mr. Stanfield had a Master's Degree in Psychology from Southeast Missouri University, had a Faithful Companion, a little dog Named "Girl", was a member of First Baptist Church of Bernie.

Survivors include his father, Larry B. Stanfield of Bernie, Missouri; also by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death other than by his mother, by one brother, James Ronnie Stanfield.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Monday, November 30, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Tuesday Morning, December 1, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Steve Fitzpatrick officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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Bertie L. Morgan

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Bertie L. Morgan

Bertie L. Morgan, the daughter of the late Joseph Samuel & Mary LaVena Watson Nash, was born in Bunker, Missouri on December 20, 1926, and passed away at her home in Dudley, Missouri on November 27, 2015 at the age of 88 years, 11 months and 7 days.

Mrs. Morgan had lived in House Springs and Imperial, Missouri before moving to Dexter in 1987. She moved to Dudley, Missouri fifteen years ago.

She was a member of the Full Gospel Church and had worked at H & R Electronic in House Springs, Missouri.

On September 1, 1973, she was married to Donald R. Morgan, Sr. in House Springs, Missouri. He preceded her in death on November 23, 2015.

Surviving are two daughters, Jacqueline Ash of Dexter, Missouri, Janet & Harold Frederick of House Springs, Missouri; two sons, Larry Gray of St. Clair, Missouri, Timothy & Norma Gray of Cuba, Missouri; 17 grandchildren; 35 great grandchildren; and 4 great great grandchildren; one brother, Sam Nash of Peoria, Illinois; two sisters, Merlene Emory of Salem, Missouri, Jean Griffith of Steelville, Missouri and four step-children. Other relatives and friends also survive.

She was preceded in death by seven brothers and sisters.

Friends may call on Monday, November 30, 2015, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

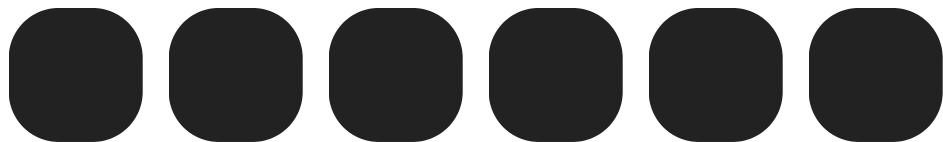
Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 12:00 pm at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with the Rev. Lynn Ash of Dexter officiating.

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

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Wilbur L. Thornton

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[Wilbur L. Thornton](#)

Wilbur L. Thornton was ushered with prayer to his forever home Friday, November 27,

2015 by family and friends who surrounded him at his home of 18 years in Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

A Malden, Missouri native, Wilbur lived a life of service. While residing and raising a family in Malden, he contributed in numerous ways to that community, serving on the Malden School Board for 16 years, the Civil Air Patrol, Volunteer Fire Department, Auxiliary Police, and as an EMT for Dunklin County.

He was also an avid weather watcher, basketball referee, and church deacon. His 50+ years with the United States Postal Service began in Malden as a 19 year old mail carrier. He was Postmaster there until transferring to Poplar Bluff in the 1990's.

Wilbur left just as big of an impression in Poplar Bluff. He served as Postmaster there until being promoted to Manager of Postal Operations for the Southeast Missouri Region, overseeing 180 post offices. But his name may be most recognized as "The Voice of the Raiders" for his 24 years of broadcasting Three Rivers Raiders basketball games. He also served a six year term on the Three Rivers College Board of Trustees. In every professional role he played, he carried his reputation for being a positive encourager.

Wilbur's strongest desire, though, was to live a life that glorified God. In his professional life, civic involvements, or in the unique way he sang from his heart and visited people in the hospital, his love for the Lord shone. He was a huge supporter of international mission projects through General Baptist Ministries, seeing himself as a giver, sender, and supporter.

Most assuredly, Wilbur leaves a legacy of love for his family. He is survived by his wife and best friend of 18 years, Patti Thornton; a son, Doug Thornton (Debbie); a daughter, Julie Rice(Dennis); grandchildren, Leah Walker (Dusty), Will Thornton (Karen), and Kayla VonRuden (Zac); great-grand daughter, Ruby Grace Thornton; step sons Christopher Clinton and Joshua Clinton; and brother, Bill Thornton; a sister, Wanna VanCleve; and a great-niece very close to him, Cassie VanCleve Pinkerton.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Lilly McKenzie Thornton, his father, Wade Houston Thornton, and a brother, Wade Thornton.

Visitation will be held at Fellowship General Baptist Church from 5-7 P.M. Sunday, November 29.

All are welcome to join the family for a Celebration of Wilbur's Life at the same location

at 1:00 P.M. Monday, November 30 with Rev. Byron Beck officiating. Interment will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Malden.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to the Wilbur Thornton Memorial Fund at Ozark Federal Credit Union or General Baptist Women’s Ministries; both mission outreach funds.

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