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Patricia Shell Taylor

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Patricia Shell Taylor, daughter of the late Clinton Shell and Eva May Vaughn Shell, was born in Dexter, Missouri on February 26, 1934 and departed this life at Brookdale Anderson Assisted Living Facility in Anderson, South Carolina on March 12, 2016 at the age of 82.

Mrs. Taylor was a graduate of Dexter High School and Southeast Missouri State University. She taught in Dexter and Richland Public Schools.

She was united in marriage to Wendell Taylor in Dexter, Missouri on May 26, 1957. Mr. Taylor remains in their home in Anderson, South Carolina.

Other Survivors include one daughter, Susan Aziz and husband Nadim of Clemson, South Carolina; by one sister, Sue Morlan of West Plains, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Tarek Aziz and wife Kelley of Apex, North Carolina, Leila Aziz of Greenville, South Carolina, Nadia Aziz of Washington D.C. and Sharif Aziz of Lexington, South Carolina; by three great-grandchildren, Aliyah Aziz, Mariam Aziz and Eesa Aziz; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents, by one brother, Clifford Bud Shell; and by one sister Phyllis Rehm.

Graveside Services will be conducted on Friday, March 18, 2016 at 1:00 P.M. in Dexter Cemetery with Rev. Ron Routledge of Abbey Road Christian Church of Cape Girardeau, Missouri officiating.

The family request that memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 9370 Olive Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63132-3253.

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

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Wafe B. Reed

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Wafe B. Reed, son of the late Lois A. Reed and Zella Myrtle Bellah Reed was born on September 24, 1924 in Gatewood, Missouri and departed this life on March 11, 2016 at

the Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Facility in Dexter at the age of 91.

He and his family moved from Gatewood, Missouri to Bernie, where Wafe graduated from Bernie High School. He had lived in Dexter since 1946. Wafe was drafted into the U.S. Navy in 1944. He was nineteen at that time and was shipped out from St. Louis, where he went to boot camp in Farragut, Idaho. Pembleton, Washington was the Naval Base for ships, where Wafe boarded his tanker ship. He served on the U.S.S. Salinas A019 ship and went to Kodiak, Alaska and to San Francisco, California. This was a huge tanker that refueled the other ships. Wafe ended up in Shoemaker, CA, when World War II ended. Wafe was in the Asiatic Pacific Ocean during the war and was discharged with an honorable discharge in 1946.

He was united in marriage to Mary Virginia Pierce (Reed) on June 2, 1950, in Blytheville, Arkansas. They were married for sixty-five years and seven months, making their home in Dexter.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed owned and operated, in conjunction with his parents, the Dexter (Reed) Livestock Company, located south of Dexter for forty-five years. He also raised corn, beans, milo and some cotton on his farm south of Dexter. Mr. Reed enjoyed his family, gardening, sports, and working with 4-H. He taught many kids about raising and showing livestock. Mr. Reed retired in 1991 to pursue his hobby of gardening. Mr. Reed was of the Baptist faith and a member of the First Baptist Church in Dexter.

Besides his wife, Mary Virginia Reed of the home in Dexter, Mr. Reed is survived by one son, Dale A. Reed and wife Judy of Ellsinore, Missouri; by one daughter, Terrie J. Reed Weaver of Tomball, Texas; by five grandchildren, Dennis Michael Reed, Desirae Michelle Weaver, Andrea Danielle Weaver, Holly Lewis, Justin Lewis and his wife Megan and by two great-grandchildren, Kate and Jack Lewis.

Besides his parents, Wafe was preceded in death by his son, Douglas Wayne Reed.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted on March 16, 2016 at 2:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Greg McGhee officiating. Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

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Doris Lee Barnes

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Doris Lee Barnes, daughter of the late Kermit and Myrtle Matthews Smith, was born in Stoddard County, Missouri on July 21 1940, and passed away at the Cypress Point Nursing Center in Dexter, Missouri on March 12, 2016, at the age of 75 years, 7 months and 20 days.

Doris lived in the Dexter and Bloomfield area all her life. She was the past Matron of Bloomfield Chapter 385 OES. Doris was also a member of the Dexter Church of Christ. She also worked at Elders Manufacturer for many years as a seamstress..

Surviving are two daughters, Zenita Smith and husband Greg of Essex, Missouri; and Theresa Sadler, of Dexter, Missouri; six grandchildren and their spouses Michael (Rena) Sadler, Ashley (Eddie) Blackwell, Christopher (Kirsten) Smith, and Jackie (Marife) Smith all of Dexter, and William and Kyle Smith of Essex, Missouri; seven great grandchildren Ayden, Liam, and Shire Sadler; Jensen and Ronin Blackwell; Mackenzie Smith and Deacon Smith. Many other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by her parents and by her sister Deloris Smith; and brother Ray Smith.

Friends may call after 5:00 pm on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, at 10:00 am at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri with Kyle Carter, of Sikeston, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bloomfield Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri. Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Missouri in charge of all arrangements.

In Lieu of flowers, Memorials can be made to the Shiner Hospital in St. Louis Missouri, or to the Stoddard County Foster Family Christmas Party c/o First Baptist Church of Dexter, Missouri.

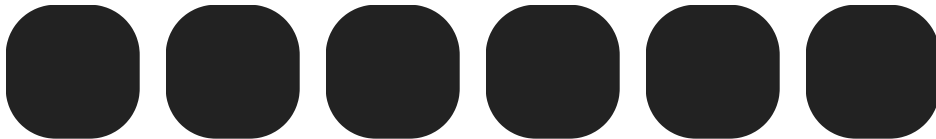
Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com.

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Robert Everett Craig

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Robert Everett “Bob” Craig, son of the late Everett and Ruby Craig was born on October 26, 1944 in Jonesboro, Arkansas and departed this life on March 11, 2016 at the Landmark Hospital in Cape Girardeau at the age of 71.

Bob Craig was man focused on family, friends, fishing, his flip phone, and in the summer, St Louis Cardinals baseball. He loved parties and gatherings which he referred to as “big blow outs.” Family meant more than just blood to Bob, and his family came in more surnames than just Craig. Family included names like Bloomfield, Vancil, Corlew, Nichols, Norris, Steel, Essner, Blair and yes, Jones. Because his friends were his family, it would take volumes to list all the names. One thing everyone is certain though, they were his favorite. Most also had a Bobby nickname. A woman’s was more likely “Baby Doll” , Darlin” or “Hon” than the one her parents chose. Bob referred to his siblings as Doc, Reverend Dan, JoeJoe, WD and Mary Beth.

A very spirited Jack Russell by the name of Kati was his pride and joy. She served as both companion and therapist. Most days they could be seen sauntering about Dexter in his lipstick red Ford F150. Weather permitting, they would head east with stops at Dexter Ag, Ross Cotton Co and Mayberry Seed on the way to Craig farm where he was raised. Kati ran. Bob reflected. He pondered the meaning of what he called the good old days. And he dreamed of what it would be like to see his mom and dad again. Bob no longer has to imagine.

He is survived by three brothers, David Craig of Sikeston, Danny Craig of Clearwater, Florida and Joe Craig of Dexter; by two sisters, Diane Craig of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and Beth Young of Nicholasville, Kentucky; by five nephews; by three nieces and many friends.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to the following Charities: Carry the Cross, www.carrythecrossnow.com, or The Stoddard County Children’s Home, P.O. Box 164, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

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Ronald D. Mitchell

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Ronald D. Mitchell, son of the late James G. Mitchell and Allie Fields Mitchell was born on November 19, 1936 in Dudley and passed away on March 11, 2016 at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter at the age of 79.

Mr. Mitchell was a resident of Dudley and was the owner and operator of Mitchell's Body Shop and Auto Sales.

He is survived by one son, David Mitchell and his companion Stephanie of Dudley; by two daughters, Rhonda Mangus of Dexter and Kara Mitchell of Dexter; by one sister, Carol Dennis of Dexter; by five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Besides his parent he was preceded in death by three brothers, J V Mitchell, D C Mitchell and Lonnie Mitchell and by one sister, Tollease Harty.

Currently no services are planned.

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

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