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Bobby Neal Vandiver

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Bobby Neal Vandiver Obituary

Bobby Neal Vandiver, son of the late William Walter Vandiver and Melvina Middleton Vandiver, was born on November 18, 1934 in Lexington, Tennessee and departed this life on May 4, 2016 at Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County in Dexter at the age of 81.

Mr. Vandiver was a resident of Bloomfield and had worked as a truck driver for East Texas Motor Freight and a farmer.

On January 13, 1956, he was united in marriage to Carol M. Magee in Circle City, Missouri. Mrs. Vandiver preceded him in death on January 29, 2009.

He is survived by one son, Michael Vandiver, by two daughters, Deborah Coggins and husband Glen and Denise Griffin, all of Bloomfield, Missouri; by two grandchildren, Brian Coggins and Megan Vandiver; and by three great-grandchildren, Maddilyn Coggins, Brynlee Coggins and Braxton Coggins.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Grady Vandiver.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

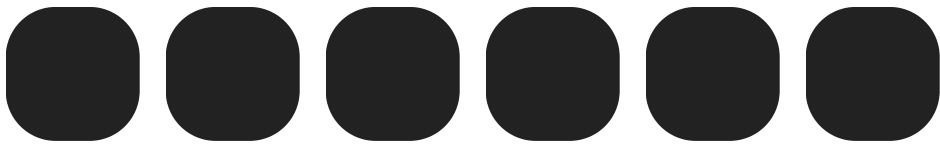
Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 3:00 P.M.

Interment will follow in the Bloomfield Cemetery.

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Wiley McGhee

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Wiley McGhee Obituary

Wiley McGhee, son of the late James Monroe and Lillie Frances Julian McGhee, was born in Bloomfield, Missouri on January 13, 1913, and passed away at the Puxico Nursing and Rehab Center in Puxico, Missouri on May 3, 2016, at the age of 103 years, 3 months and 20 days.

Mr. McGhee was a retired minister and had pastored in Gainesville, Missouri for many years. He returned to Puxico in 1978 and pastored the Puxico Christian Church until his retirement. He had been active in the Rotary Club, the Masonic Lodge, the Eastern Star and had worked with the Red Cross.

On July 1, 1933, he was married to Lydia Pansy Parmenter in Bloomfield, Missouri. She preceded him in death on March 11, 2001.

Surviving are one daughter & husband, Ann & Grady Smith of Puxico, Missouri; two sons & wife, James & Kathy McGhee and Randy McGhee all of Jefferson City, Missouri; five grandchildren; several great & great great grandchildren; sister, Rita Ferguson of Dexter; and brother, Paul McGhee of Dexter. Other relatives and many friends also survive. He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Andrea Smith; sister, Marie Peck; and two brothers, Tom & John "Cotton" McGhee.

Friends may call on Friday, May 6, 2016, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Watknis & Sons Chapel in Puxico, Missouri with the Rev. of Puxico, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow in the Puxico Cemetery in Puxico, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Puxico, Missouri in charge of arrangements.

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Tristan Chase Morrison

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Tristan Chase Morrison Obituary

Tristan “Chase” Morrison, son of Darrell Morrison of Lilbourn, Missouri and Julie Hughes of Dexter was born on March 5, 2003 and departed this life on May 2, 2016 at the Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County Emergency Room at the age of 13.

Chase was a student at the T.S. Hill Middle School in Dexter. He enjoyed BMX, cars, chiks, riding bikes, skating and his hover board. He was a member of The Flock 2015-2016.

Chase is survived by his father, Darrell Morrison of Lilbourn, Missouri; by his mother, Julie Hughes of Dexter; by one sister, Alyssa Paige Morrison of Dexter; and his maternal grandparents, Gary and Roseanne Hughes of Dexter and Susie and Mike Miller of Dexter, his paternal grandparents, Darrell Morrison, Sr. of Lilbourn and Teresa Lawrence of New Madrid; and his great-grandparents, Donald and Gevauna Maddox of Dexter.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, May 6, 2016 from 1:00 P.M. until 3:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 3:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Preston Owens officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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Rev. Clifford E. Wray

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Rev. Clifford E. Wray Obituary

Rev. Clifford E. Wray, son of the late Henry Wray and Josie Mahann Wray, was born on June 26, 1924 in Pontiac, Missouri and departed this life on May 2, 2016 at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri at the age of 91.

Rev. Wray was the minister for the First General Baptist Church in Dexter for twenty years and retired from the New Bethel Church in Dexter. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving during World War II and a member of the Masonic Lodge for fifty years.

On April 12, 1942, he was united in marriage to Juell I. Yochom in Ozark County, Missouri. Mrs. Wray survives of their home in Dexter.

He is survived by two sons, Bobby Wray of Wichita, Kansas and David Wray of Dexter, Missouri; by one brother, Alva Wray; by five grandchildren, Brian Wray, Christina Riehl, Jason Wray, Heather Ryan and Garrett Wray; by three great-grandchildren, James Wray, Scarlett Ryan and Bonnie Ryan; and by one daughter-in-law, Teresa Overall of Dexter, Missouri.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death one son, Philip Wray; by four brothers, Walter Wray, Hershel Wray, Everett Wray and Avrile Wray; by one sister, Eula Wray; and by one granddaughter, Melissa Wray.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 9:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Dean Williams officiating.

Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

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Arthur Wayne Hutchcraft

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Arthur Wayne Hutchcraft

Arthur Wayne Hutchcraft, son of the late Arthur Oren Hutchcraft and Flossie Bean Hutchcraft, was born on April 30, 1932 in Dexter and departed this life on May 2, 2016 at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau at the age of 84.

Mr. Hutchcraft attended the First Baptist Church in Dexter. He had worked as a salesman for Medler-Davis Chevrolet in Dexter and was a veteran of the United States Air Force.

On December 30, 1952, he was united in marriage to Connie Wilkey in Piggott, Arkansas. Mrs. Hutchcraft survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sons, Michael Hutchcraft and wife Lynn of Kuttawa, Kentucky, Tim Hutchcraft and wife Sandy of Dexter, Missouri and Jim Hutchcraft and wife Dena of Puxico, Missouri; by one brother, Robert C. Hutchcraft of Shawnee, Oklahoma; by one sister, Mary Butler of Killeen, Texas and by four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Ralph Duke Hutchcraft and Sessel Hutchcraft; and by one sister, Ruth Redman.

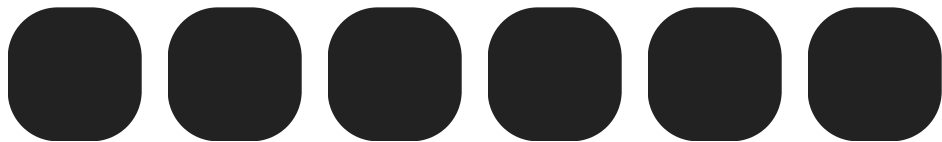
Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 from 12:30 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel at 2:00 P.M. with Rev. Greg McGhee officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

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