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In Memory of Emma Evadeen Choat

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Emma Evadeen Choat, daughter of John R. and Ethel M. Baker Merideth, was born on March 28, 1925 in Hurricane Mills, Tennessee, and departed this world on February 8, 2017 in Ida, LA, at the age of 91 years and 10 months.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, February 11th, 2017 at Rainey Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri, officiated by Rev. Kenneth Lambert and Rev. Travis Lambert.

Burial will follow at Hobbs Chapel Cemetery.

There will be a time of visitation from 10 AM till the time of service on Saturday, February 11th at the funeral home.

Evadeen lived the majority of her life in the Dudley/Puxico, MO area until she moved to Louisiana about 6 years ago. She was a member of Hobbs Methodist Church.

On May 11, 1946, she married Howard "Pete" Choat. Pete preceded her in death on February 24, 1979. One daughter, Dorothy Choat, also preceded her in death. From this union two sons survive, Carrol Choat of Rodessa, Louisiana and Ray Choat and wife Cheryl of Ida, Louisiana.

She is survived by 5 grandchildren, Heather Russ of Shreveport, LA, Nikki Dorman and husband Westley of DeQuincy, LA, Christopher Choat of Ida, LA, Wesley Choat and wife Miranda of Ida, LA, and Ryan Choat of Gilliam, LA.

Evadeen was also blessed with 7 great grandchildren, Taylor Mangham, Elizabeth Seeger, Karissa Dorman, Lauren Russ, Hayden Dorman, Easton Choat, Tatum Choat, and Holdyn Dorman.

She is survived by one brother, J. D. Merideth and wife Jeanie of Festus, MO, and one sister, Ann Brooks of Festus, MO. Evadeen was preceded in death by 3 brothers, James Baker, Dallas Merideth, and Bill Merideth, one sister Betty Aslin and her step-mother Libby Merideth.

She is also preceded in death by a special friend of many years, Harlan Foster, from this friendship an extended family of 4 daughters, 1 son, 11 grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren. Numerous nephews, nieces and friends also survive.

Pallbearers will be Ryan Choat, Wesley Choat, Rich Merideth, Jake Muckerman, Matt Foster and Mark Foster. Honorary pallbearers include Christopher Choat, Easton Choat and Hayden Dorman.

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Updated Obituary of Vera Ross

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Updated Obituary of Vera Ross

Vera Gilbow Ross, daughter of the late Roosevelt Hart and Sylvia Ramsey Hart was born on February 14, 1932 near Parma, Missouri and departed this life on February 6, 2017 at Winchester Place in Bernie at the age of 84.

Mrs. Ross was a member of the Faith Lutheran Church in Dexter.

Survivors include; two sons, Kerry Gilbow and wife Carol of Dexter; Kirk Gilbow and wife Judy of Ft. Collins, Co; one grandson, Kody Gilbow and wife Cortney, two great-grandsons, Kemper Gilbow and Keller Gilbow of Columbia, Missouri; one brother, Miles Ezra Hart and wife Wanda of Sebring, Florida; two sisters, Helen McClintick and husband Bill of Williamsburg, Va., Ruth Jennings of Dardeen Prairie, Mo.; on step-granddaughter, Bobbi Adams; two step-great-grandsons, Cameron & Dillion Adams. She leaves many loving nieces and nephews and friends.

Besides her parents, she is preceded in death by one son, Keith Gilbow; one brother, Hank Hart; and two sisters, Clarice Goldsmith and Lucille Bennett.

Friends may call at Rainey Mathis Funeral Home on Saturday, February 11, 2017 from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM.

A memorial service will be held in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 3:00 P.M.

Memorials can be made to 18 Fore Life, C/O Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter Mo, 63841 or Preferred Hospice, PO Box 99, Dexter Mo, 63841.

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In Memory of Raymond Lovelady

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In Memory of Raymond Lovelady

Raymond R.C. Lovelady, son of the late Richard Lovelady and Ora North Lovelady was born on September 25, 1926 in Beach Grove, Arkansas and departed this life on February 5, 2017 at his residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 90 years.

Mr. Lovelady retired from Greyhound Bus Lines in 1985 and moved to Dexter from St. Louis, Missouri, and was a Veteran of the United States Army-Airforce serving in World War II, member of the First General Baptist Church in Dexter, and a resident of Dexter.

He sung gospel music for 50 years. He loved to sing for the Lord and had many good friends he enjoyed singing with.

On December 18, 1948, he was united in marriage to Mildred Anna Bradford in St. Louis, Missouri. Mrs. Lovelady survives of the home in Dexter.

Besides his wife, survivors include three sons, Randy Ray Lovelady (Sheila) of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Kevin Curtis Lovelady (Cheryl) of Corona, California, and Christopher Robert Lovelady (Amy) of Bernie, Missouri; by one daughter, Ramona Kaye Davis (Gary) of St. Louis, Missouri; also by ten grandchildren and ten greatgrandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother and four sisters.

Memorials can be made to the John J. Pershing VA Medical Center, 1500 N. Westwood Blvd., Poplar Bluff, Missouri 63901

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 11:00 until 1:00 P.M. Thursday, February 9, 2017.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Kenneth Biggs and Rev. Shawn Bradford officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield with full military rites.

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In Memory of Lloyd Red Harris

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In Memory of Lloyd Red Harris

Lloyd "Red" Harris of Bloomfield, son of the late Manuel Everet Harris and Annie Rona Simmers Harris Scowden, was born in Sturdivant, Missouri on March 28, 1931, and passed away at the Bloomfield Living Center Bloomfield on February 5, 2017, at the age of 85 years, 10 months and 8 days.

Lloyd had lived in Puxico for many years until moving to Advance in 2011. He had worked as a self employed asphalt contractor and also at Evans Asphalt. He was a member of the Fairview Methodist Church near Puxico and was a veteran of the U. S. Navy during the Korean Conflick. He received the Good Conduct Medal, China Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal and the Korean Service Medal.

Surviving are two sons & wives, Richie & Sharon Harris of Advance, Schotty & Tracy Harris of Summerville, South Carolina; two daughters and husband, Regina Hale of Puxico, Rhonda & Tony Bostic of McGee; six grandchildren, Mindy Splechter, Alesha Pence, Noah Hale, Joshua Hale, Josh Harris and Chase Harris; seven great grandchildren, Jenna, Andrew & David Splechter, Layla & Gavin Hale, Harley & Haley Pence; two brothers & wives, Bobby & Teresa Scowden of Whitewater, Dewayne & Shirley Scowden of Carthage; two sisters & husbands, Rachel & Buck Carlton and Shirley & Gary McCollough all of Advance. Many other relatives and friends also survive.

He was preceded in death by one son-in-law, Eddie Hale, three brothers, Dwight & Donald Scowden, Floyd Harris; and two sisters, Margaret White and Barbara Shell.

Graveside services & full military honors will be held on Friday, February 10, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield with Bro. Dale Wiseman of Advance officiating.

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

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, P O Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 or the Alzheimer's Association, P O Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home - 573-568-4500 www.watkinsfuneralhome.com

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