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In Memory of Larry Watkins

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In Memory of Larry Watkins

Larry Watkins, son of the late George Watkins and Goldie Fortner Watkins DePriest was born on May 4, 1945 in Bloomfield, Missouri and departed this life on February 11, 2017 at Landmark Hospital in Cape Girardeau at the age of 71.

He was the owner of Larry's Vikings Club in Dexter, the owner of Watkin's Plumbing, was a former Alderman in Dexter Ward 3 for 17 years and a resident of Dexter.

Survived by two daughters, Paula Foss (Knut) of Knutsvik, Norway and Tammy Aaron of Millersville, Missouri; by six grandchildren, Brandon Foss, Karsten Foss, Brandi Duncan, Lora Schumer, Jesse Aaron and Rickelle Aaron; by eight great-grandchildren; by one brother, George Watkins, Jr of Bloomfield, Missouri.

Besides his parents, he is preceded in death by two brothers, Bobby Watkins and Paul David Watkins; by his step-father, William (Bill) DePriest.

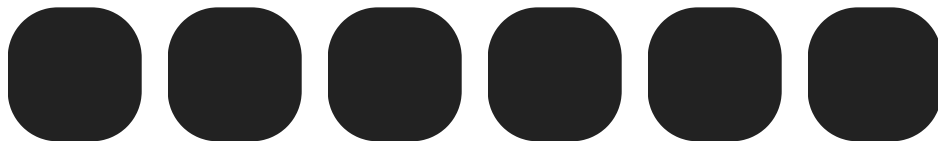
Friends may call at Rainey Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, February 18, 2017 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 2:00 PM at Rainey Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Interment will follow at the Bloomfield Cemetery.

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In Memory of Kelly Brian Stroder

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Kelly Brian Stroder, son of the late Brian Zettie Stroder and Mary Stella Lubbers Stroder was born on June 14, 1942 in Laflin, Missouri and passed away on Friday, February 17, 2017 in the Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter at the age of 74.

Mr. Stroder was a Veteran of the United States Army, a former Construction Foreman for Ameren Missouri and was a resident of Dexter.

Survivors include two sons, Parrish Todd Stroder and Blake Alan Stroder, both of Dexter; by two grandchildren, Joshua Todd Stroder of Cape Girardeau and Blake Ryan Stroder of Poplar Bluff; by three nieces and three nephews; and also by his dog, Chance and horse Trigger.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Franklin Stroder, Marshall Stroder and Jackie Stroder.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 from 4:00 P.M. until 8:00 P. M.

Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 1:30 P. M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter with Brian Stroder, Jerry Caudle and Don Laird officiating.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude PL, Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

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In Memory of Gordon Orr

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Warren Gordon Orr, son of the late Raymond Francis Orr and Hazel Stevens Orr was born on December 26, 1940 in Dudley, Missouri and departed this life on February 14, 2017 at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter at the age of 76 years.

Mr. Orr was a former truck driver for Holden Pallet Company and Morgan Recycling Company in Dexter. He played baseball for Fisk High School and Dudley Buffalos where he was a power hitting first baseman. Gordon had a lifelong love of cars, competing in demo derby's, driving stock cars, and restoring old vehicles. In his later years, he enjoyed fishing everyday with friends and family.

He was united in marriage to Barbara Brown on December 27, 1987 in Dudley, Missouri. Mrs. Orr resides at the home in Fisk.

Besides his wife, he is survived by, two sons, Kevin Orr (Ruth Ann) of Cape Girardeau and Kim Orr of Doniphan; two daughters, Johnnie Morgan (Larry) of Kennett and Robin Morris (Charles) of Portageville; by six grandchildren, Heath Orr (Ashley), Meghan Anderson, Elizabeth Orr, Lindsay Woods (Theron), Kaitlin Orr and Garrett Orr; four great-grandchildren, Natalie Orr, Aiden Anderson, Lucas Woods and Presley Woods.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A Memorial Service will be conducted on a later date. Rainey Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter in charge of all the arrangements.

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In Memory of Richard Hodder

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In Memory of Richard Hodder

Richard Hodder, son of the late Russell Frederick Hodder and Mary Frances Holloway Hodder, was born on July 13, 1931 in San Diego, California and departed this life on February 16, 2017 at his residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 85.

Mr. Hodder was a member of the First Baptist Church in Dexter where he served as Deacon. He was a Veteran of The United States Air Force and served in the Korean War. He was the former owner of Thunderbird Lanes, he worked for many years at Coffey & Camp Lumber Company with his father-in-law, and served on the Planning and Zoning Committee for the City of Dexter.

On June 25, 1953, he was united in marriage to Joyce Coffey. Mrs. Hodder survives of the home.

He served his family, his friends, his church, his community, and his country with faithfulness, efficiency, and punctuality. Our lives are emptier for his passing, but richer for his love and example.

Besides his wife, Joyce, he is survived by two daughters, Pamela Trammell of Dexter and Diane Hall (Steve) of Dexter; by two grandchildren, Tyler Trammell and Matt Hall of Dexter; one great-grandson, Hunter Hall of Dexter.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Terri Sue Hodder; one grandson, Andrew Trammell.

Friends may call at the Rainey Mathis Funeral Home on Monday, February 20, 2017 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Funeral services will be conducted on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 2:00 PM in Rainey Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Don Kennedy, Rev. Howard Fuller and Rev. Wayne Dismuke officiating.

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

Memorials can be made to the First Baptist Church, Media Ministry, 11 W. Castor Street, Dexter, Mo 63841 or 18 Fore Life, C/O Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, Mo 63841.

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In Memory of Phillip Ivy

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In Memory of Phillip Ivy

Phillip Eugene Ivy, son of Joyce Fox Swinger of Circle City and the late Frank Ivy, was born on January 18, 1953 in Chicago, Illinois and departed this life on February 16, 2017 at his residence in Dexter at the age of 64.

Mr. Ivy was a Veteran of the United States Army, was a cabinet maker for W.W. Wood Products in Dudley.

He was united in marriage to Kathy Blunt on January 24, 1980 in Clines Island, Missouri. Mrs. Ivy survives of the home in Dexter.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons and their spouses Jason Ivy (Tessa) of Essex and Ethon Ivy (Jessica) of Dexter; by his mother, Joyce Swinger of Circle City; one brother, Bruce Ivy of Bloomfield; by three grandchildren, Damon Ivy, Judah Ivy and Zoey Ivy.

Friends may call at the Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Funeral services will be conducted on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at the Lighthouse Christian Center at Dexter at 1:00 PM with Rev. Tim Russell officiating.

Interment will follow at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield

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