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In Memory of Barbara Whitehead

FEBRUARY 18TH 2017 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Barbara Jean Hill Whitehead, daughter of the late Dave Burnett and Bernice Orton Burnett was born in Gideon, Missouri on August 21, 1938 and departed this life in the General Baptist Nursing Home in Campbell, Missouri on February 17, 2017 at the age of 78.

Mrs. Whitehead was a Homemaker and was a resident of Bernie.

She was united in marriage to Roy Hill. He preceded his wife in death.

Survivors include one son, Johnny Carter of Dexter, Missouri; six daughters, Rosa Lee Wimberly & Barbara Lee Wimberly both of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Sally Sue Crutchfield, Wanda Jean of the State of Indiana, Helen Carter of Gideon, Missouri and Kathy Carter of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one brother, Darrell Wayne Burnett of Jefferson City, Missouri; three sisters, Patsy Burnett of Cabot, Arkansas, Connie Smith of Malden, Missouri and Jackie Ferguson of Dexter, Missouri; by numerous grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren; by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband, by one son, Danny Ray Hill, by two brothers, David Junior Burnett and Bobby Lee Burnett; by three sisters, Goldie Ann Burnett, Anita Kay Burnett and Lalie Burnett.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 from 12:00 Noon until 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 2:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie with Rev. Ivan Mekan Officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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In Memory of Larry Watkins

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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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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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