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## In Memory of Donald Ray Parks, Sr.

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### In Memory of Donald Ray Parks, Sr.

Donald Ray Parks, Sr. was born December 27, 1938, left this world April 12, 2017. Son of the late Doyle Ray Parks and Sarah Bernice (Shrum) Parks. Married Alice L. Boyles July 3, 1960.

Survived by four children and their spouses. Tina (Parks) and Larry Jarrell, Penny (Parks) and Aaron Conray, Donald (Bud) and Angie (Hood) Parks, and Leebo and Sheri (Doerschlen) Parks.

Survived by ten grandchildren and their spouses, Larry Don and Melissa (Bowling) Jarrell, Kenny and Tina (Strickland) Jarrell, Brian (BJ) and Mandy (Guthrie) Crowe, Nikki (Parks) Cornelison, Ashley (Parks) and Chad Kesler, Cassie (Parks) and Adam Robinett, Mae Parks, Josh Parks, Logan Parks. Survived by fourteen great-grandchildren and spouses Cody and Bree (Leroux) Jarrell, Allyssa Jarrell, Justin Parks, Alex Conelison, Abby Parks, Tristin Kesler, Josiah Jarrell, Ethan Jarrell, Emma Crowe, Sarah Jarrell, Addie Crowe, Elizabeth Jarrell, Laela Parks and future baby Robinett. Survived by seven siblings and their spouses. Mary Duncan, Bill and Libby (Fairchild) Parks, Shirley Burton, Ruth Parks, Karen (Sue Parks) and Kenny Waggoneer, Bobby and Lesa (Jordan) Parks, and Onie Parks. Survived by additional family and friends to numerous to mention.

One granddaughter preceded him in leaving this world, Markita Crowe.

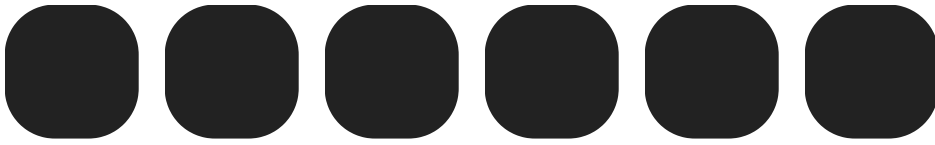
Visitation will be on Friday April 14, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. Until 1:00 p.m. at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield with graveside service to follow at the Fairview Cemetery near Puxico, Missouri.

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## In Memory of Mildred Delois Pope

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### In Memory of Mildred Delois Pope

Mildred Delois Pope was born on September 5, 1924 in Risco, Missouri to the late Garl Campbell & Eva Blakeman Campbell. She departed this life on Monday, April 10 2017 at her residence in Gideon Missouri at the age of 92 years 7 months and 5 days.

Mildred Pope had worked for B C Manufacturing in Malden for over 20 years. She was a member of the Spoonerville Baptist Church. On February 18, 1946 in Malden, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Clarence Lysander "Pete" Pope. He preceded her in death on Thursday, December 24, 2009.

Her survivors include: Two daughters Carol Burnett & husband, Bob of Kennett & Pennie Stirnaman & husband, Jerry of Dexter, two Grandchildren: Jason Stirnaman & wife, Julie of Evanston, Illinois & Kristin Stirnaman of Dexter, two Great-grandchildren: Brendan Stirnaman & Selah Stirnaman, two Sisters: Louise Collins of Malden & June Agee of Williamsville, Missouri, a Sister-in-law: Lillie Mae Campbell of Rombauer, Missouri, one Cousin: Charles Campbell of Sikeston, and several nieces & nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, 2 sisters: Lillian Jo Campbell & Mae Williams and 4 brothers: J. L. Campbell, Rod Campbell, Shorty Campbell & Frank Campbell.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 14, 2017 at the Landess Funeral Chapel in Malden from 12-1 P.M.

Funeral services will follow at 1:00 P.M. with Pastor Larry Keith Landers officiating.

Interment will be in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.

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## In Memory of Marv Ferguson

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## In Memory of Marv Ferguson

Marv Ferguson was born on February 20, 1924 in Beebe, Ark to Henry A and Mae Echols Ferguson. He died on April 11, 2017 at SE Health of Stoddard County at the age of 93.

His family moved to St. Louis when he was a baby. He spent most of his life in St. Louis. He had an official "Knot Hole" kid card for the baseball games and became a life-long St. Louis baseball fan. He won a marble tournament at a young age which advanced him to the national one in New York.

After playing a lot of baseball at 1st base, he was offered a contract to play for a St. Louis Farm Team which he declined. Later he began bowling and won a new car playing against top ranked professionals. This was followed by golf which he "loved" and was very competitive, which enabled him to challenge and sometimes beat young players.

He spent many years in the stainless-steel business, selling the stainless steel to build the Gateway Arch in St. Louis.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dexter. Marv served his country in World War II as a Staff Sgt. in the Pacific Campaign.

On July 3, 1963, he married Rita McGhee Langley in St. Louis. She survives at their home in Dexter.

Survivors include 2 sons, Larry (Thelma) Ferguson of St. Louis, MO, and Dennis (Denise) Ferguson of Columbia, MO; one step-daughter, Patricia Crane of Essex, MO; 3 grandchildren, 2 great-children; 1 great-great-grandchild; 2 step-great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Edna Dexter of California, 2 brothers, Lee (Wanda) Ferguson of N.C. and Vern (Susan) Ferguson of Florida; also, several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and 1 brother, Gene Ferguson.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, April 17, 2017 at 12:00 (Noon) at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, MO.

The family request that any memorials be made to: First United Methodist Church, PO Box 156, Dexter, MO 63841 or Keller Public Library, 402 W. Grant St., Dexter, MO 63841.

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## In Memory of Wayne Edward Waltrip

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### In Memory of Wayne Edward Waltrip

Wayne Edward Waltrip, son of the late Roy Thomas Waltrip and Edna Mae Griggs Waltrip was born in Toledo, Ohio on April 3, 1935 and departed this life at Southeast Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on April 8, 2017 at the age of 82.

He had worked at Brown Shoe Company for 25 years, he had also served as Vice-President of Union Steward, He was also one of the orginial board members of Bernie Park. Mr. Waltrip loved golfing, watching Cardinal Baseball. He was of Baptist Faith.

Mr. Waltrip was united in marriage to Conetha Jean Vance in Elgin, Illinois on March 6, 1964. Mrs. Waltrip preceded her husband in death on March 25, 2005.

Survivors include two daughters, Lisa Gaye Crosier of Bertrand, Missouri and Connie

Marie Frazier of Sikeston, Missouri; by one brother Roy Thomas Waltrip of the State of Texas; by six grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death other than by parents and his wife, by two grandsons, Lee Anthony and James Whitehead and one daughter Darla Kaye Whitehead.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral on Wednesday Morning, April 12 2017 from 10:30 A.M. until 12:00 P.M.

Funeral Services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel at 12:00 P.M. with Stan Dauck officiating.

Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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## Dexter Native, Hollywood Star, Dies at 92

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Betty Flo Walker who went by her stage name of Selene Lamm was born February 21, 1924 and passed away January 24, 2017

Selene Walters Lamm, born Betty Flo Walker in Dexter, Missouri, in 1924 and best known for her roles as a young starlet in Hollywood and for her journalistic contributions, has died at the age of 92.

She passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 24 in her Beverly Hills home with her beloved daughter, Eliza, by her side, according to her children Eliza and Alexandra Lamm. From the beginning of her long life, Selene was loved by all and was crowned first in a beauty contest at the tender age of 10. She was also crowned her high school's queen all four years, which quickly allowed her to move on and win hearts and roles in the booming era of the golden age of Hollywood.

Before making the move to the West, Selene attended Missouri University and pledged into the Delta Delta Delta sorority.

With the onset of the war, she had to make quick decisions and at the behest of her beloved brother, Jimmy, she moved out to Washington D.C., which is where her life really began. Selene began modeling in several high fashion department stores before she got her big break with the famous John Robert Powers Models in New York City. She was featured on the cover of magazines and eventually was truly discovered at the fabled "21" restaurant by Buddy de Silva, the President of Paramount Pictures at the time.

From there she was unstoppable and traveled all over the world - Rome, Monte Carlo, Rio, Tokyo, Korea, Munich, Hamburg, Deauville, Bahamas, Haiti, Tehran, Athens and many other gorgeous locales. Selene appeared in over 21 films during her career as an actress and had the opportunity to star alongside the likes of the famous Jimmy Stewart in the "FBI Story." Although she had an amazing bicoastal life in Los Angeles and New York City, Selene began to look at other career options and found that her love for writing and travel called for a new adventure as a columnist, which led her travels all over the globe. Selene mingled with everyone she met, and formed relationships with high society players, including Andy Warhol, Frank Sinatra and even the Shah of Iran.

She continued her [journalist](#) career through the 1990s. During her years living in New York City, Selene met and married the love of her life, Franklin J. Lamm in 1975, who passed away in 2007.

She and Frank carried out their wishes to have a family and adopted three children - David Lamm, Alexandra Lamm and Eliza Lamm during the 1980s.

She is survived by all three children and her biological daughter, Scarlett Norris Adams.

Funeral service were held on Wednesday, February 1, 2017, 9:30 a.m. at the Wee Kirk O' the Heather at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale, California.

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