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In Memory of Vern Doyle Pollock

JULY 10TH 2017 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Vern Doyle Pollock, born January 1, 1937 ascended to heaven on July 7, 2017.

Vern was a beloved husband, father, grandfather and friend to everyone he met. Raised in Desoto Missouri by his special aunt Bessie Stroup, growing up he was an accomplished athlete in football, basketball and track. Upon graduation from Desoto High School, he enlisted in the United States Navy.

While stationed overseas, Vern became the youngest Navy serviceman to play quarterback in The Japan Bowl. After his dedicated service, He attended the University of Minnesota before earning his BS and MS degrees from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois. Following graduation from SIU, Vern began his teaching and coaching career at Carbondale High School. During his tenure at Carbondale Vern achieved many milestones but none more significant than the establishment of the playoff system for high school football in Illinois. Following a brief stint in Massac County, Vern ended his storied career at Eldorado High School.

Vern excelled all his life as an athlete, coach and mentor. The culmination of his achievements was induction into the First Class of the Desoto High School Distinguished Graduates Hall of Fame, Southern Illinois Football Coaches Hall of Fame, Carbondale Community High School Athletic Hall of Fame, and Illinois High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Vern dedicated his life to serving as a mentor for the youth he was entrusted with developing. His passion was working with and being a role model for children. He took

this role very seriously and strived to make a difference for every child he met.

In Vern's eyes, his greatest achievement is the family that survives him. His wife Jean Pollock, son Dan (Monta) Pollock, daughter Stacie Masters (Kevin) and the loves of his life, his grandchildren Cody Pollock, Peyton Pollock, Brodie Pollock, Brett Pollock, Emma Masters and Elana Masters. For the last 15 years Vern felt very blessed to have 2 stepdaughters Sharlotte Gunn and Stephanie Morris and four additional grandchildren Darrick Milligan, Rachel Milligan, Jakeb Carter and Malia Gunn to love and support. Vern also leaves behind his beloved sisters Barbara Bunzel, Joann Malone, Glenda Garner and a brother Michael Gray.

Vern was preceded in death by his parents Story Pollock and Grace Walker, beloved Aunt Bessie Stroup, brothers Ralph Pollock, Karl (Butch) Thieret and Kenneth Thieret and his wife of 41 years Helen Pollock.

Vern's presence was felt throughout every school he worked at, every game, meet or competition he coached and every event he attended. He filled every room with laughter, and a spirit and lust for life that cannot be duplicated or forgotten. In his time on earth he touched and was instrumental in changing the course of many lives. His memory will live on through those who he loved and those who loved him and his legacy is unending.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children Research Hospital and will be accepted at the high school and the church.

Funeral Services will be at 11:00 am Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at the Eldorado First Baptist Church with Rev. Roger Lipe and Rev. Aaron Phelps officiating.

Visitation is 3-7 pm Tuesday at the Eldorado High School Commons.

Condolences and expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family via the website **www.colonialterracefuneralhome.com**

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In Memory of James Pot Anderson

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James "Pot" Anderson, son of the late Albert Andrew Anderson and Nettie Blagg Anderson was born on October 10, 1921 in Bernie and departed this life on July 7, 2017 at the Dexter Living Center at the age of 95.

Mr. Anderson was a Veteran of the United States Army serving in World War 2. He was a graduate of Dexter Senior High School and played football at Southeast Missouri State University. He was a member of the First Christian Church Disciples of Christ in Dexter. He worked in construction and was well known for his woodworking designs and creations.

On August 5, 1948, he was united in marriage to Evlyn Sisler in St. Louis, Missouri. Mrs. Anderson preceded him in death on July 21, 1999.

He is survived by two daughters, Lisa Thrower and husband Tom of Dexter and Elenor Evans and husband Dale of Dexter; by three grandchildren, Daryn Evans, Tony Thrower and Erica Thrower and by five great-grandchildren, Addie Thrower, Micah Cisco, Jackson Thrower, Daniel Evans and Lauren Evans.

Besides his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Marvin Russell Anderson and by two sisters, Opal Montgomery and Nina Arnold.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, July 14, 2017 from 10:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Friday, July 14, 2017 at 12:30 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Michael Williams officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery with Full Military Honors.

In lieu of flowers the family requests all memorials be made to the First Christian Church, 224 East Stoddard St., Dexter, MO 32841 OR 18 Fore Life, c/o Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, MO 63841 OR Alzheimer's Association, 9370 Olive Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63132-3253.

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In Memory of Ricky Lee Cooper

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Ricky Lee Cooper, son of Terry Cooper of Doniphan, Missouri and the late Carolyn Cantrell Cooper was born on February 14, 1964 in Lexington, Missouri and departed this life on June 22, 2017 at his residence in Memphis, Tennessee at the age of 53.

Mr. Cooper worked in Nuclear Medicine at the V. A. Medical Center in Memphis. He was of the Baptist faith, a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity and was a resident of Memphis, Tennessee.

Besides his father Terry and step-mother, Evelyn Cooper of Doniphan, he is survived by two brothers, David Cooper and wife Diana of Bloomfield and Steven Cooper and wife Dawn of Louisville, Kentucky.

Friends may call at the Doniphan Methodist Church in Doniphan, Missouri on Saturday July 15, 2017 from 9:00 A. M. until 10:00 A. M.

A Memorial service will then be conducted at 10:00 A.M. with Rev. Kent Wilfong officiating.

Interment will follow at a later date in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Sikeston.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

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In Memory of Edward Alton Robbie Robertson

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In Memory of Edward Alton Robbie Robertson

Edward Alton "Robbie" Robertson, son of the late Oatley Jay Alton Robertson and Fannie Marie Jane Davis Robertson, was born in Lavalle, Missouri on February 24, 1937 and departed this life at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on July 6, 2017 at the age of 80.

Mr. Robertson was a United States Air Force Veteran, having retired from Military Service after 22 years. He then served his community as a Police Officer in Bernie, Malden and Wayne County, and later worked as a Truck Driver until his retirement. He was a member of American Legion of Malden, Missouri. He enjoyed yard work and gardening and was a member of Bernie General Baptist Church.

He was united in marriage to Hester Lou Edwards in St. Louis, Missouri on May 23, 1962. Mrs. Robertson preceded her husband in death on January 7, 2017.

Survivors include one son, Marcus Eric Robertson of Bernie, Missouri; one daughter, Melanie Elaine Gonia and Husband Ben of Plover, Wisconsin; by three grandchildren, Michelle Robertson, Marcus Robertson Jr. and Starla Williams; by two great-grandchildren, Kristopher and Khaleesi; by one sister, Gracie Williams of Imperial, Missouri; also by other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death other than by his parents and his wife, by one son, Michael Edward Robertson in 1996; by three brothers, Charles Robertson, Freddie Robertson and Louis Robertson.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Saturday, July 8, 2017 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday Afternoon, July 9, 2017 in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie with Rev. Steve Fitzpatrick officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery with Full Military Honors.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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In Memory of Mark Williamson

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In Memory of Mark Williamson

Mark Williamson, son of the late Billy Williamson and Wilma Dunn Williamson was born on March 23, 1948 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and departed this life at his residence in Essex, Missouri on July 5, 2017 at the age of 69.

Mr. Williamson was a veteran of the United States Marine Corp, a Compliance Director for Louisiana State Board of Contractors and was a resident of Essex.

On July 11, 1970 he was united in marriage to Carla Norman in Essex. Mrs. Williamson survives of their home in Essex.

He is survived by one son, Bradley Williamson and his wife Kristina of Gonzales, Louisiana; by one daughter, Mandy Germann and her husband Josh of Holly Springs, North Carolina; by one sister, Sharon Plutipodis of Essex, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Cody Williamson, Macy Williamson, Caden Germann and Allison Germann; by his caregiver and close friend, Stacy Freeman.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Dean Williamson and one sister, Vicki Jo Williamson.

Graveside services will be held on Friday, July 7, 2017 at 1:00 P.M. at the Missouri State Veteran Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

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