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In Memory of Candi Rainey

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Karen Denise “Candi” Rainey, daughter of Mae Della Johns Rainey and McKinley Rainey in St. Louis, Missouri on August 20, 1968 and departed this life at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on August 3, 2017 at the age of 48.

Ms. Rainey was a graduate of Bernie High School; and had worked in Nursing Homes. She attended Mount Calvary of Parma, Missouri and was a resident of Parma.

Survivors include her parents, McKinley & Mae Della Rainey of Parma, Missouri; by one daughter, Krystal Rainey & friend Lamont Thatch; by one sister, Della (DEE DEE) Delores Rainey-Hess & husband Steven Dale Hess of Malden, Missouri; by two brothers, McKinley Rainey & wife Un Yung of State of Washington and Gordon Rainey & wife Christy Shaffer-Rainey of the State of Georgia; by her grandmother, Nelvia Mae Rainey; by her best friend and Helper, Aunt Diane Allison; by a host of Aunts and Uncles and Cousins; by a host of Nieces and Nephews, Great-Nieces and Great-Nephews; also by other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her Paternal Grandfather, Nathaniel Rainey; by her Maternal Grandparents, Melvin Oscar Johns and Levada Johns.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 from 12:00 Noon until 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:00 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel with Pastor Carl Williams officiating.

Interment will follow in Stanfield Cemetery, Rural Clarkton, Missouri. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Jerry Crisel

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Jerry Wayne Crisel of Puxico, son of the late Herbert Eugene and Roxie DeCelis Crisel, was born April 20, 1942, in St. Louis, Missouri and passed away at the St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau on August 3, 2017, at the age of 75 years, 3 months and 14 days.

He was a life long resident of Puxico. He was self-employed in the trucking business and was a farmer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Masonic Lodge #596 and had been a Puxico School Board Member for several years.

On February 3, 1962, he married Evelyn Jane Sisco at Ash Hill, Missouri. She preceded him in death on January 26, 2004.

Surviving are two sons & wives, Michael & Angela Crisel of Thompsonville, Illinois, Steven & Amy Crisel of Puxico; three grandsons, Carter, Logan & Drew Crisel; one granddaughter, Mackenzie Crisel; two brothers & wives, Larry & Sharon Crisel, Stan & Myshena Crisel; and one sister & husband, Lola & Harvey Fowler of Wappapello. Other relatives and friends also survive.

Friends may call on Sunday, August 6, 2017, after 5:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico. Masonic services will be held at 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be on Monday, August 7, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel with Rev. Ray Placher of Puxico officiating.

Interment will follow at the Puxico Cemetery in Puxico, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Puxico in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Puxico Cemetery, P O Box 441, Puxico, MO 63960 or the Puxico Educational Foundation, 481 N Bedford, Puxico MO 63960.

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In Memory of Norman Harty

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In Memory of Norman Harty

Norman B. Harty, son of the late Walter and Nellie Harty, was born in Puxico, Mo. and died at Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Mo. on Aug. 3, 2017, at the age of 81.

A well known local businessman, Mr. Harty owned N.B. Harty Contractors and a total of 10 branches of First Commercial Bank across southeast Missouri. Through his contracting industry, he conducted business on an international scale.

Norman graduated from Puxico High School in 1954 and later attended Southeast Missouri State University and Williams Baptist College, eventually earning a degree from Arkansas University.

On Jan. 22, 1966, he married Billie Lemons. After 47 years of marriage and a business partnership, she preceded him in death on June 21, 2013. Mr. Harty continued the Dexter-based business operations until his death.

Mr. Harty proudly served in the U.S. Army. He attended the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Dexter.

Norman and Billie never forgot their hometown roots, generously contributing to numerous local charities and organizations and other entities over the years.

He will be dearly remembered for his deep Christian faith and his generous community spirit.

Along with his parents and his wife, Billie, he was preceded in death by one brother, John Harty.

He is survived by one sister-in-law, Bonnie Harty; two nephews, John Harty and Jim Harty; a step-daughter, Sue Hisaw; and one step-grandson, Christopher Wilkerson.

Visitation for Norman B. Harty will take place Monday, August 7, 2017 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Dexter's First Baptist Church at 11 W. Castor St., with funeral services following at 11 a.m.

Officiating will be Rev. Howard Fuller. Burial will take place in Dexter Cemetery.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of all arrangements.

The family suggests any memorials may be made to Williams Baptist College, 60 W. Fulbright Ave., Walnut Ridge, Ark. 72476 or to the SoutheastHEALTH Building Fund, 1200 N. One Mile Rd., Dexter, MO 63841.

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In Memory of Freddy Akridge

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In Memory of Freddy Akridge

Freddy Akridge son of the late Hershel Akridge and Katherine Tanner Akridge was born on September 6, 1942 in Gideon, Missouri and departed this life on July 28, 2017 at Canalou at the age of 74.

Mr. Akridge was a farmer for Stanley Swiney Farms and was a resident of Parma.

He is survived by two sons, Freddie Akridge and Bryant Akridge, both of New Madrid; by one daughter, Brenda Flanders of Canalou; by one brother, Ricky Akridge of Hohenwald, Tennessee; by seven sisters, Geraldine Koidan of Oroville, California, Lola Barks of Dexter, Betty Lawson of Fordland, Missouri, Linda Parker of Independence, Missouri, Joyce Haddock of Waynesboro, Tennessee, Sherry Decker of New Madrid and Kathy Schaffer of Knoxville, Tennessee and by four grandchildren, Latashia Nacole Akridge, Anthony Guardado, Destiny Brant and Tex Flanders.

Besides his parents he was preceded in death by three brothers, John Akridge, Kenny Akridge and Earshel Akridge; by two sisters, Stella Simmons and Joan Akridge and by two grandchildren, Desarae Guardado and Freddie Gene Akridge III.

Visitation at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter was on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 from 12:30 until 2:30 P.M.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 2:30 P.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

Interment followed in the Stanfield Cemetery.

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In Memory of Sherman Griffith

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Sherman L. Griffith, son of the late Virgil V. Griffith and Virginia Payton Griffith was born on March 31, 1953 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on July 28, 2017 at his residence in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mr. Griffith was a former employee of the Texas Instruments in Dallas, Texas as an Electrical Engineer.

He is survived by two sisters, Pamela L. Roberts of St. Charles, Missouri and Beverly Holtzman of Foley, Missouri. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews and a special cousin Paul Pratt.

He is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Friends may call at the Rainey Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

Funeral was conducted on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. with Bro. Gary Cooper officiating.

Interment followed at the Harper Cemetery in Aid.

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