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In Memory of Alice Hodge Langston

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In Memory of Alice Hodge Langston

Alice Hodge Langston, 84 of Puxico, Missouri died January 29, 2018 at her home.

She was born February 17, 1934 to Jay and Zelma Hoover, they preceded her in death.

She is survived by one son, Mike Hodge; one stepson Stan Dublin; three daughters, Karen Sherill, Patty Holloway and Diane Daughters; two step daughters Rita Fisher and Faith Heil; One sister Mary Simms and a host of Friends.

Visitation will be conducted at 5 o'clock P.M. January 31, 2018 in the Morgan Sifford funeral home Chapel.

The funeral will be held February 1, 2018 beginning at 11 AM also in the chapel with Ed Sherill officiating. Interment will immediately follow in the Puxico city cemetery.

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In Memory of Russell Shelton

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In Memory of Russell Shelton

Russell Shelton, son of the late John Shelton and Ola Rutz Shelton was born on April 15, 1930 in Dunklin County, Missouri, he departed this life on January 29, 2018 at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 87 years.

He was a member of the United States Marine Corps, owner and operator of Shelton Construction in Dexter for many years, and a resident of Cape Girardeau, Missouri formally of Dexter. Russell was a great husband father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, who had so much pride and joy in all of the family. He always had a traveling dollar for the grandkids when they visited. Russell was always very proud of his time serving in the United States Marine Corps. He believed this always led to his strong character, and he certainly expressed this to his children and grandchildren. Mr. Shelton was a very hard worker and was highly respected in the community. He built many homes in Dexter which were definitely built with pride.

On February 11, 1949 he was united in marriage to Juanita Slaughter in Piggott, Arkansas and to this union three sons and two daughters were born. Mrs. Shelton survives of the home in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Besides his wife, survivors include three sons, Gary Shelton (Debra) of Searcy, Arkansas, Danny Shelton (Darlene) of Dexter, and Lloyd Shelton of Dexter; by two daughters, Patricia Byrd (Dr. James Byrd) of Dardenne Prairie, Missouri and Diana Richey (Barry)

of Cincinnati, Ohio; one brother, David Shelton of Dexter; twelve grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by nine brothers and five sisters.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 11:00 until 1:00 P.M. Friday, February 2, 2018.

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday at 1:00 P.M. at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter with Gary Shelton and Danny Shelton officiating.

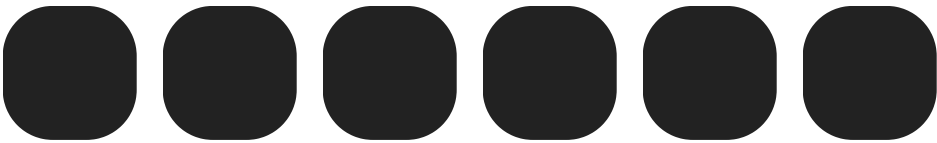
Interment will follow at Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield with full military honors.

The family request in lieu of flowers donations can be made to Marine Toy for Tots. Envelopes will be provided in the funeral home office.

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In Memory of E.F. Chuck Asberry

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In Memory of E.F. Chuck Asberry

E. F. “Chuck” Asberry, son of the late Earnest F. Asberry, Sr. and Carrie Lee Asberry was born on January 23, 1923 in Detroit, Michigan and departed this life on January 27, 2018 at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 95 years.

Mr. Asberry was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church in Dexter where he served as District Lay Leader for the Poplar Bluff-Sikeston District from 1972-1980. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and served in World War II. He was a 70 year member of the Kenady-Hanks Post #59 of the American Legion where he served as Past Commander, and past Adjutant for District 14 American Legion Missouri. Mr. Asberry retired from Shelter Insurance Company where he worked in the claims department for 31 ½ years and was the Dexter district Branch Manager.

While working with Shelter, he graduated from the Arson Investigative course at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Oklahoma and the Torts Law and Contracts course from the LaSalle University in Chicago, Illinois. He was an honorary Lifetime member of the Dexter Kiwanis Club and the former Scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop #71 from 1946-1954. He was a 70 year member of the Dexter Masonic Lodge #532 where he served as the Past Worshipful Master and attained the 32nd Degree Scottish Rite.

On July 21, 1943, he was united in marriage to Carolyn Bob Athanas in Laredo, Texas. With this marriage they had four children. Carolyn preceded him in death on February 26, 1987. On September 7, 1991 he was united in marriage to Janice Ann Bacon in Dexter, Missouri.

Survivors include; his wife, Janice, one son, James F. Asberry of Dexter, two daughters, Carolee A. Scherer of Leawood, Kansas and Jan L. Duty of Dexter, Missouri; by eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Charles S. Asberry and one grandson, Steven Asberry.

Masonic Rites will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 12:30 PM with visitation immediately following until 2:00 P.M., with the funeral service will being officiated by Pastor Ron Beaton. Interment will follow at the Dexter Cemetery with full Military Honors.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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In Memory of Wanda Ramsey

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Wanda Ramsey, daughter of the late George Edward Burris and Dora C. Moore Burris was born on December 12, 1931 in Ash Hill, Missouri and departed this life on January 29, 2018 at her residence in Benton, Missouri at the age of 86 years.

Mrs. Ramsey was a former waitress working in food service.

On September 27, 1977 she was united in marriage to Bobby Ray Ramsey. Mr. Ramsey survives of the home in Benton, Missouri.

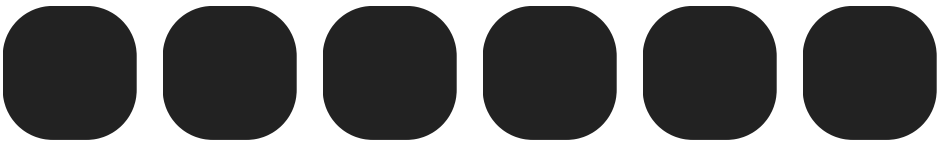
Besides her husband, she is survived by three sons, Mark Smith of Sikeston, Missouri, Jeff Allen Smith of Sacramento, California and Marvin E. Smith of Princeton, Missouri; by three brothers, William Burris, Donald Burris and Larry Burris all of California; by five sisters, Evelyn Murriel, Wilma May Williams, Ethel Permeta, LaDona June Bell, and Lavina Fay all of California; by nine grandchildren and many great grandchildren.

A graveside service will be conducted on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 12:00 (Noon) at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.

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In Memory of Ava Jean Kight

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In Memory of Ava Jean Kight

Ava Jean Kight of Bell City, daughter of Austin & Shana Grubbs Kight, was born in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on June 9, 2014, passed away at the St. Louis Children's Hospital on January 27, 2018, at the age of 3 years, 7 months and 18 days.

Ava had lived in Bell City all her life and had attended the Cape LaCroix Church in Cape Girardeau. Ava could make anyone smile and never met a stranger, introducing herself "Hi Hi, I'm Ava Jean, what's your name?" She enjoyed everything about life. Ava would be seen in three tutu's and mismatched mud boots or her princess clomp clomp's. She enjoyed hiking, camping and picking Nana's flowers and chasing butterflies and bees, with a smile that would melt the toughest heart.

Surviving are her parents, Austin & Shana Kight of Bell City; one sister, Cheyenne Marie Kight of Bell City; her paternal grandparents, David & Teresa (Scheible) Kight of Bell City; maternal grandparents, Jana Bennett of Dexter, Darrell & Lacey Grubbs of Bell City; and paternal great grandmother, Mary Ann Kight of Bell City; three aunts, Brooke Kight of Bell City, Melanie Geiger of Jefferson City, Carmen Maddox of Hawaii; and one uncle, Cody Kight of Chaffee. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by paternal great grandparents, Charles Kight, Bud & Edna Scheible; and maternal great grandparents, J.C. & Nora Bennett.

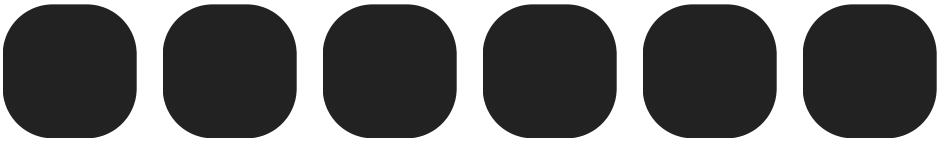
Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, January 31, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield with Chaplain Lewis C. Kimmel of Lake St. Louis officiating.

Interment will follow in the Oak Ridge Cemetery near Bloomfield with Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home of Bloomfield in charge of arrangements.

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