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In Memory of Ophelia Mandy Thornton

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In Memory of Ophelia Mandy Thornton

Ophelia "Mandy" Thornton, daughter of the late Stanford Wilson and Mandy Jones Wilson, was born in Boyle, Mississippi on August 31, 1943 and departed this life at her home in Parma, Missouri on April 9, 2018 at the age of 74.

Ms. Thornton was a homemaker and was a member of Jubilee House of Prayer in Sikeston, Missouri.

Survivors include one son, Simeon Thornton of Sikeston, Missouri; by seven daughters, Barbara Johnson & husband Leon of Parma, Missouri, Cynthia Holmes & husband Eddie of Columbia, Missouri, Leslie Johnson of Parma, Missouri, Loretta Thornton of Sikeston, Missouri, April Lee & husband Laverne of Sikeston, Missouri, Brandy Hamlin & husband Joel of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Terry Thornton of Sikeston, Missouri; by five sisters, Nelvia Rainey of Parma, Missouri, Estelle Smith of Detroit, Michigan, Annie Johns of Malden, Missouri, Beatrice Johnson of Malden, Missouri and Robbie Bills & husband Dallas of Fruitland, Missouri; by twenty three grandchildren and twenty four great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents, by one daughter, Regina Williams; by two brothers, Willie Moore and Henry Wilson; by one sister, Clara Sullivan; by one grandson.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 11:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. Funeral services will then be conducted on

Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 12:00 Noon in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the Stanfield Cemetery, Clarkton, Missouri. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

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In Memory of Muriel Bleakley Brown

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In Memory of Muriel Bleakley Brown

Muriel Bleakley Brown was born at Mill Shoals, Illinois, on November 22, 1913 and passed away on April 8, 2018 at The Baptist Home in Ironton, Missouri at the age of 104 years. She was the daughter of the late Virgil and Lucy Hughes Bleakley.

Mrs. Brown was a member of the First Southern Baptist Church in Bloomfield where she taught Sunday School in the Primary Department for many years. She loved children and she had many friends.

She became the bride of Lester C. Brown of Bernie on April 2, 1933, at Piggott, Arkansas. He died on May 1, 1972. They were the owners of Brown Auto Parts in Bloomfield for 24 years.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Charles Lester Brown, three sisters and five brothers.

She is survived by nephew Jack Bleakley; by nieces Diana Orr, and Anne Jenkins. Other relatives also survive.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, April 12, 2018 from 2:00 to 3:00 PM.

Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday at 3:00 PM with Mike Williams and Bobby Thrower officiating.

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

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In Memory of Jacky Ray Vincent

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In Memory of Jacky Ray Vincent

Jacky Ray Vincent of Malden, was born on June 7, 1943 in Malden, Missouri to the late Lawrence Vincent & Bertha Gipson Vincent. He departed this life on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at his residence in Malden, Missouri at the age of 74 years 10 months and 1 day.

Jacky Ray Vincent had been a meat supervisor for Wetterau Foods (IGA) and was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Bernie Church of the Nazarene. Jacky was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart Reba Slusher on May 26, 1962 in Malden, Missouri. She survives of the home in Malden.

His other survivors include:

Son: Greg Vincent & wife, Michelle of Bernie.

Daughter: Ashlee Medler & husband, Ryan of Dexter.

2 Grandsons: Jacob & Jaxon Medler of Dexter.

Many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 3 brothers: Larry Vincent, Robert Vincent & Roy Vincent and 1 sister: Virginia D'Arman.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 3:00 P.M. at the Bernie Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Jon Humbert officiating.

Landess Funeral Home of Malden in charge of the arrangements



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In Memory of Beverly Findley

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In Memory of Beverly Findley

Beverly R. Findley of Puxico, daughter of the late William Oscar and Helen L. Moore, was born on August 25, 1931, in Flint, Michigan and passed away at the Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff on April 6, 2018 at the age of 86 years, 7 months and 11 days.

Beverly had lived in the Poplar Bluff and Puxico area most of her life. She had worked at B & M Auto Parts and had retired from MOARK MOLD In Poplar Bluff. She was a life member of the Puxico V.F.W. Auxiliary. She had attended First Baptist Church in Puxico and enjoyed growing plants and flowers, crocheting, adopting all the cats that came to her door, cooking for her family especially on holidays and was always at Mel's Diner early to pour coffee to the early birds.

She was married to A. Wayne Findley on July 29, 1972, in Puxico. He preceded her in death on November 11, 2001.

Surviving are one son and wife, Ronnie "R.D." (Renee) Stuart of Wappapello; two grandchildren & spouses, Kayla (Scott) Groves of Sedgewickville, Travis (Krystal) Stuart

of Wappapello; 5 great grandchildren, Kyle (Jessica) McGuire of Fenton, Justin McGuire and Emily Groves both of Sedgewickville, Aubriana and Trever Stuart both of Wappapello; one brother, Doug (Linda) Siler of Puxico and one sister, Meredith (Charles) Mackey of Crocker. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by one daughter, LaDonna Kay Stuart and two brothers, Forest and Chuck Siler.

Friends may visit on Sunday April 8, 2018 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Puxico. V.F.W. Auxiliary will have a service at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday April 9, 2018, at the Watkins and Sons Chapel in Puxico with the Rev. Ray Placher if Puxico officiating.

Burial will be in the Puxico Cemetery with Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Puxico in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Ruby Smith

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Ruby Smith, daughter of the late Henry McKay and Ruth May Hutchcraft McKay was born on January 27, 1937 in Dexter and departed this life on Friday April 6, 2018 at the Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter at the age of 81.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Dexter, a former employee of Reed's Accounting and Tax Service where she was an accountant and a resident of Dexter.

She was united in marriage to Dean Smith on April 9, 1954 in Dexter. Mr. Smith resides of the home in Dexter.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, Terry(Joyce) Smith of Dexter and one daughter, Sherry(Jeff) Dukes of Dexter; by one brother, Larry(Debbie) McKay of Dexter; one sister, Wanda Adams of Springfield; by four grandchildren, T. J. Smith, Daniel(Charlotte) Smith, Kaylee(Matt) Harris and Kaycee(Nick) Summers and by three great-grandchildren, Nolan Smith, Nic Smith and Lynnlee Harris.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Duane McKay and William Leon McKay.

Friends may call at the First Assembly of God Church in Dexter on Monday April 9, 2018 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

Services will then be conducted at 1:00 P.M. at the First Assembly of God Church with Rev. Mike Kohlbaker and Rev. John Tarter officiating. Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery in Dexter.

Memorials may be made to the First Assembly of God Church, 911 Brown Pilot Lane, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

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

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