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Patricia C. Watkins of Puxico, formerly of Essex, daughter of the late Cecil Monroe and Myrtle Asher Chism, was born in Charter Oak, Missouri on September 26, 1946, and passed away at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter on September 28, 2018, at the age of 72 years and 2 days.

Pat had lived in Essex before moving to Puxico three years ago. She had worked thirty plus years as a teacher at DAEOC Head Start, and was a member of the Harvest Assembly Church in Essex, after moving to Puxico she attended Duck Creek Baptist Church. Her heart's focus was Christ, friends and family.

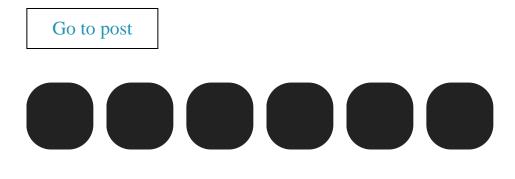
On May 31, 1963, she was married to Leon Watkins in Catron, Missouri. He preceded her in death on May 28, 2018.

Surviving are two daughters, Diana Devore of Swinton, Mellody Wheetley of Puxico; adopted son & wife, Buck & Jessica Cruse of Puxico; five grandchildren & spouses, Jennifer & Mark Newell and Jessica Steele all of Dexter, Roger & Taylor Cochran II of Cape Girardeau, Alanna Newman of Poplar Bluff, Hunter Wheetley of Puxico; ten great grandchildren, Austin, Makaila, Amberly, Kaidence, Tia, Landon, Sam, Jaclyn, Sara Kate and Adeline; two brothers, Stan Chism of Copperas Cove, Texas, Billy Dial of Demopolis, Alabama; one sister Jean Ann Wilson of Gray Ridge, Missouri. Other relatives and many friends also survive. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by one son, Lanny Watkins. Friends may visit on Sunday, September 30, 2018, after 1:00 p.m. until time of services at 3:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter with Bro. Buck Cruse of Puxico officiating.

Interment will be in the Essex Cemetery in Essex, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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