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In Memory of M. Frances Williams Moore

JULY 30TH 2019 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of M. Frances Williams Moore

M. Frances Williams Moore, daughter of the late Sherman C. Williams and Clennie Alma Scoggins Williams, was born on December 1, 1935 in Morrilton, Arkansas and departed this life on Monday, July 29, 2019 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 83 years.

Mrs. Moore graduated from Parma High School in 1953. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Bloomfield and served on the Board of Directors. She was a former President of the Trinity United Methodist Women at Bloomfield and a former Treasurer and Spiritual Growth Leader for the Poplar Bluff/Sikeston District Methodist Women.

She was a former Vice President of the Stoddard County Democrat Central Committee, former member of the Stoddard County Democrat Club and she served four years as a former President of the Stoddard County Women's Democrat Club. She was honored as the Eighth District Democrat Woman of the Year and as Stoddard County Democrat Bess Truman Woman of the Year.

Since 1979, she was a former President and Treasurer of the Stoddard County Historical Society and she was responsible for helping establish the Stoddard County Museum, the Stoddard County History book, the book on Stoddard County Cemeteries and the 1860 Census of Stoddard County.

She was a former Regent for the Daughters of the American Revolution and helped plan and carryout two Civil War Reenactments.

She was a former elder in the Cherokee Indian Tribe.

She was a former Vice President for the Stoddard County Genealogy Society and a former Board Member of the Stoddard County Archives. In 2009, she was awarded the Missouri State "Genealogist" of the Year.

She was responsible for getting the Stoddard County Courthouse on the National Registry of Historic Sites. She planned and was Master of Ceremonies for the opening ceremony and presented the certificate stating this was a historic Courthouse and was on the National Registry. She was also in charge of the closing ceremony at the special years end.

She served as a former President and was a former Board Member of the Stoddard County Extension Committee.

She was a former Stoddard County Crusade Chairperson for the American Cancer Society.

She served as a former Bloomfield Cub Scout Leader and was a former Assistant Scoutmaster of Bloomfield Boy Scout Troop 72. She received the Boy Scout Osage District "Award of Merit" and received several local Boy Scout Awards.

For several years, she was a former Parent Leader in the Stoddard County 4-H Club.

She was a finalist in the Jefferson Award, presented by Westvaco-Channel 6 for the six-state area and she received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce.

On May 23, 1953, in Pocahontas, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to Norman W. Moore. They were married for 56 years before Mr. Moore's death on May 27, 2009.

She is survived by her son, Richard W. Moore and wife Susan of Columbia, Missouri; by her granddaughter, Brooks Moore; and by several nieces and nephews.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Martha Faye Ellis, Margaret May Lizenbee and Alma Jeanice Arnel.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, August 1, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Steven Koerner officiating.

Interment will follow in the West Antioch Cemetery, west of Bloomfield, Missouri.

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

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In Memory of Daniel Lee Petty

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Daniel Lee Petty, son of the late Charles Lee Petty and Mary Elizabeth Swinger Petty, was born on August 15, 1959 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on Saturday, July 27, 2019 near Cave City, Arkansas at the age of 59 years.

Mr. Petty enjoyed the many hours he spent working on the family farm. He was a member of the Broadwater Church of the Brethren and a resident of Essex, Missouri.

He is survived by his son, Zach Petty and wife Malarie of Sikeston, Missouri; by his sister Marie Froman and husband Steve of Patterson, Missouri; and by one grandchild, Raelynn Reese.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, August 2, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A private, family only, memorial service is being planned for a later date, on the family farm.

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

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In Memory of Jerry Ronald Barker

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Jerry Ronald Barker, son of the late Billy Joe Barker and Irene Lovella Blocker Barker was born in Bernie, Missouri on July 24, 1944 and departed this life in Rural Parma, Missouri on July 26, 2019 at the age of 75.

Mr. Barker was a farmer and was of Baptist Faith.

He was united in marriage to Donna Sue Sandusky in Bernie, Missouri on February 27, 1965.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Sue Barker of Parma, Missouri; by one daughter, Sherri LeAnn Barker of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by two grandsons, Bryce Simmons & Brock Simmons both of Dexter, Missouri; also by other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death other than by his parents, by one daughter, Jacqueline "Jacki" Simmons on August 18, 1998; and by one sister, Betty Stone.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Monday, July 29, 2019 from 9:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, July 29, 2019 at 11:00 A.M.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

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

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In Memory of Earl James Scroggins

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In Memory of Earl James Scroggins

Earl James Scroggins, son of the late Earl A. Scroggins and Alice Hopcus Scroggins, was born on December 17, 1939 in Paris, Arkansas and departed this life on July 25, 2019 at his residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 79 years.

Mr. Scroggins was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a former tool machinist for Arvin Automotive, for 19 years and for 19 years at Hyster in Peoria, Illinois. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dexter.

On October 22, 1966, in Peoria, Illinois, he was united in marriage to Roberta Seiwell. Mrs. Scroggins survives at their home near Dexter.

In addition to his wife, Roberta, he is survived by his son, Tom Scroggins of Dexter; by his daughter, Cindy Pennington and husband Bryan of Dexter, by his brother, Louis Scroggins of Peoria, Illinois; by three grandchildren, Courtney Tidwell and husband Matt, Courtney Stearns and husband Josh, and Megan Sandage and husband Jordan; and by five great-grandchildren, Shailyn Sandage, Kaiden Sandage, Hadley Stearns, Ridge Stearns, and Logan Tidwell.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter-in-law, Angie Scroggins.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, July 28, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Monday, July 29, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. with Father William Hennecke Jr.

officiating.

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

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In Memory of Byrrl (Pat) Keith

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In Memory of Byrrl (Pat) Keith

Byrrl (Pat) Keith, 89 of Poplar Bluff died Friday, July 19, 2019 in Poplar Bluff. he was born May 5, 1930 to Harrison and Louie (née Pratt) Keith.

Mr. Keith loved helping people and making them laugh. He enjoyed gardening and recycling.

He is survived by his daughter Lynda Cornelius of Poplar Bluff; one son Harry (Pamela) of Madison, Wisconsin; one grandson Michael Cornelius of Poplar Bluff; one sister Jane Tucker of Bloomfield, Missouri: one brother Lee of Madison, Wisconsin and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 5 o'clock to 7:00 PM Friday, July 26, 2019 at the Morgan Sifford funeral home in Puxico. The funeral will immediately follow. A social gathering will be held afterwards at Casa Lopez restaurant in Puxico.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to care and share benefiting local veterans. A donation basket will be available during the service.

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