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In Memory of James Randel Rawls

AUGUST 10TH 2019 BY DEE LOFLIN

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James Randel Rawls, son of the late Floyd Lee Rawls and Betty Catherine Rodgers Rawls, was born on November 20, 1946 in Chicago, Illinois and departed this life on Thursday, August 8, 2019 at his residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 72 years.

Mr. Rawls was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in Vietnam. After leaving the Army, he worked as a conductor for the Union Pacific Railroad, retiring after 42 years of service. He was a member of the Dexter Elks Lodge #2439 and VFW Post #2659.

On February 14, 2002, he was united in marriage to Dorothy Loveless in North Little Rock, Arkansas. Mrs. Rawls survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife Dorothy, he is survived by his sister, Stephanie Alexander of Bryant, Arkansas; and by two grandchildren, Tyler Robert Cramer of Dexter and Emma Rosellen Sparkman of Dexter.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Edward Clay.

Friends may visit with family at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, August 12, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. with Rev. James Malloy officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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

Memorials may be made to: 18 Fore Life, c/o Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, MO 63841

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In Memory of Robert R. Johnson

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Robert R. Johnson of Sikeston, son of Robert Jones and the late Nola Sue Johnson Sears, was born on February 14, 1973, and passed away at the Pemiscott County Hospital in Hayti on July 31, 2019, at the age of 46 years, 5 months and 17 days.

Robert had been raised and lived in Sikeston with his grandmother, Helen Cantrell. She preceded him in death in 2013. He enjoyed riding his mower and dearly loved his dog.

Surviving are one brother, Jimmy Sloan of Missouri; one sister, Angela Rich of Florida; one nephew, Timmy Sloan of Ohio. Many aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends also survive.

Visitations will be held on Tuesday August 13, 2019 from 11:00 am until time of services at 1:00 pm at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield.

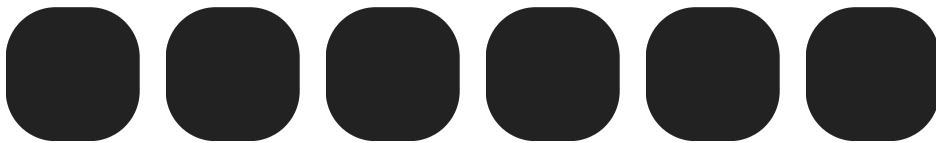
Interment will follow in the Walker Cemetery in Bloomfield with Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home of Bloomfield in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Kenny Rogers Children's Center, 300 Floyd Dr., Sikeston MO 63801.

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In Memory of Truman Christian

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Truman Christian, son of the late Otis P. Christian and Ovie Chapman Christian, was born on May 28, 1927 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on August 7, 2019 at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter at the age of 92.

Mr. Christian was a Veteran of the United States Army and served in World War II. He was a member of the Risen Church in Dexter and was a resident of Dexter. Truman had worked at various companies as a heavy equipment operator.

On April 10, 1943 he was united in marriage to Chlora Lemons in Piggott, Arkansas. Mrs. Christian preceded him in death on April 30, 2014.

He is survived by three sons, Jerry Christian and his wife Ann of Columbia, Missouri, Gary Christian and his wife Patty of Dexter and Dale Christian and his wife Linda of Paragould, Arkansas; by five brothers, Paul Christian of Dexter, Raymond Christian of St. Louis, Missouri, Tim Christian of Dexter, Jimmy Christian of Arnold, Missouri and Leotis Christian of Dexter; by one sister, Ota Roberts of Dexter; by six grandchildren, Cindy Benney of Columbia, Missouri, Jason Christian of San Fernando, California, Matt Christian of Austin, Texas, Lori Easley of Paragould, Arkansas, David Christian of Benton, Missouri and Stephanie Myers of Dexter; by seven great-grandchildren, Emma Lea Benney, Aubrie Benney, Chloe Christian, Lauren Covington, Caden Sheeks, Nicholas Christian and Elizabeth Christian; and by three great-great grandchildren, Lexis Covington, Layton Covington and Bentley Sheeks.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his step-mother who raised him after his mother passed away at an early age, Ella Mae Christian, by a son in infancy; by a grandson, Brad Christian and by a granddaughter, Angela Dawn Christian.

Friends may visit with the family on Monday, August 12, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Jeff Roth officiating.

Interment will follow at the Dexter Cemetery, with full military honors.

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

Memorials may be made to: Risen Church, 15 E St Francis Street, Dexter, MO 63841 or 18 Fore Life, c/o Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, MO 63841

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In Memory of Hollas S. Montgomery

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In Memory of Hollas S. Montgomery

Hollas S. Montgomery, son of the late John S. Montgomery and Paralie King Montgomery, was born on November 11, 1921 in Bernie, Missouri and departed this life on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 97 years.

Mr. Montgomery was a retired farmer and a resident of Dexter. He was a member of the Second General Baptist Church in Dexter. He was a fixture at auctions in Southeast

Missouri, attending them all the way into his nineties.

He was first united in marriage to Kathryn Kimbrel on November 21, 1943; she preceded him in death on October 25, 1994. He was then united in marriage to Darlene Reed on January 1, 2001; she preceded him in death in April of 2018.

He is survived by his son, Carroll Montgomery and wife Etheleen of Dexter, Missouri; by three daughters, Sharon Helfrich and husband Eugene of Columbia, Illinois, Joyce Thompson of Summerfield, Florida and by Sherry Montgomery of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, Bill Montgomery of West Paducah, Kentucky and Sam Montgomery of Dexter, Missouri; by one sister, JoAnn Golden of Malden, Missouri; by nine grandchildren, Keith Montgomery, Kara Lummukka, Nickolas Helfrich, Hannah Neibling, Jami Thompson, Jace Thompson, Kelly Hutson, Tyler Montgomery and Jordan Thurman and by fifteen great-grandchildren.

Besides his wives and parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Terry Scott Montgomery, by six brothers, Jerry Dean Montgomery, Garfield Montgomery, Leon Montgomery, Bob Montgomery, Paul Montgomery and Breman Montgomery; by one sister, Lola Young; by one granddaughter, Shelly Montgomery and by one great-granddaughter, Anna Montgomery.

Friends may visit with the family on Sunday, August 11, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Steve Tippen officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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

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In Memory of Vickie I. Moore

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In Memory of Vickie I. Moore

Vickie I. Moore, daughter of the late William Massey and Edith Henley Massey, was born on March 11, 1949 in Meridian, Mississippi and departed this life on Monday, August 5, 2019 at her residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 70 years.

Mrs. Moore was a former production line supervisor for Starting USA in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. She was of the Baptist faith.

She is survived by two sons, Jeff McGinnis and Brandon McGinnis, both of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, Larry Massey of Advance, Missouri and John Massey of Bloomfield, Missouri; by her sister, Phillis King of Dexter, Missouri; and by four grandchildren.

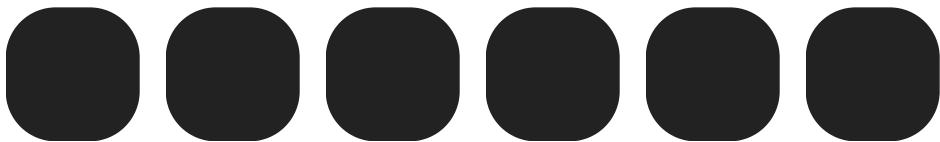
Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, August 11, 2019 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Sunday, August 11, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Walker Cemetery in Bloomfield.

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

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