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In Memory of Valerie Michelle Ragsdel Keeton

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Valerie Michelle Ragsdel Keeton, daughter of Donald G. Ragsdel and Helen Casey Baker, was born on August 24, 1972 in Dearborn, Michigan and departed this life on October 4, 2019 at Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri at the age of 47 years.

Ms. Keeton was a former cashier for Huck's in Dexter and she was a resident of Sikeston.

She is survived by her mother, Helen Casey Baker of Bloomfield; by her father, Donald G. Ragsdel and wife Jamie of Dexter; by her long-time companion, Alan Christopher Mansker of Sikeston, by her sister, Monica Houchins of Sikeston; by her step-brother, Chris Fleming of Knoxville, Tennessee; by her niece Amber Chasteen and by three great-nephews.

Friends may call at Calvary Baptist Church in Dexter on Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted at Calvary Baptist Church on Saturday, October, 12, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Danny Collins officiating.

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

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In Memory of Gary Dale Phillips

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In Memory of Gary Dale Phillips

Gary Dale Phillips, son of Frances Sheehy Phillips and the late William A. (Bill) Phillips, was born on March 10, 1958 in Poplar Bluff, MO and passed away at his home in Sanford, NC on July 16, 2019 at the age of 61.

Gary spent his early life in Dexter, MO. He attended Dexter Public Schools and is a 1976 graduate of the Missouri Military Academy. He attended Morehead State University in Morehead, KY with an interest in communications.

After college, Gary became an announcer and News Director of KDEX Radio in Dexter, MO. He later worked at 2 radio stations in SC. As radio became more automated, Gary turned to print publishing to further his communications career. He became editor of several newspapers in FL and SC.

Gary's lifelong hobby was to play the bass guitar. He played in several local ensembles in the various places he lived.

Gary was a member of the First Baptist Church, Dexter, MO. Later, he joined the First Baptist Church in Pageland, SC, where he sang in the choir and played bass guitar in the

praise band. Utilizing his experience in radio, Gary was the narrator of the Christmas Pageant.

Gary was preceded in death by his father, William A. (Bill) Phillips and his twin brother, Terry Gale Phillips.

Gary is survived by his son, Amos W. (Bill) Phillips and grandson, William A. (Liam) Phillips of Sanford, NC.; by his mother Frances Sheehy Phillips of Bradenton, FL; by his sister, Connie Engelbrecht and husband Nelson of Charlotte, NC; by his brother, James A. (Jim) Phillips of Orlando, FL; by two nephews, Michael Engelbrecht and Mark Engelbrecht, both of Charlotte, NC; and by numerous family members and friends.

A celebration of Gary's life will be held at the Dexter City Cemetery on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 10:30 a.m., burial will follow.

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

Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, Inc., 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016 or a charity of choice.

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In Memory of Cathy Lynn Prunty

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In Memory of Cathy Lynn Prunty

Cathy Lynn Prunty, daughter of the late Sylvanus Prunty and Wanda Terrill Prunty, was born on January 11, 1958 in Ozark, Arkansas and departed this life on October 2, 2019 at her residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 61 years.

Ms. Prunty was a homemaker.

She is survived by her long-time companion, Robert Pratt of Dexter, Missouri; by two sons, Justin Pratt of Tennessee and Michael Pratt of Potts Camp, Mississippi; by two daughters, Robin Pratt and Sarah Pratt, both of Dexter, Missouri; by her brother, Don Prunty of Dexter, Missouri; by two sisters, Karen Pratt and Patricia Jo Fitzgerald both of Dexter, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Spencer Pratt, Michalie Currie, Michael Currie and Miracle Campbell; by her niece, Sharon Barker; by her nephew, Gary Prunty; by many other nieces and nephews; and by several aunts and uncles.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Mike Prunty and by her sister, Deloris Breedlove.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m with Rev. Jeff Spratling officiating.

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

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In Memory of Opal Gasser

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In Memory of Opal Gasser

Opal Gasser of Arlington, Tennessee, daughter of the late Alonzo and Irene Strong Waldrup, was born in Crowder, Missouri on October 23, 1920, and passed away at the Methodist North Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee on October 2, 2019, at the age of 98 years, 11 months and 9 days.

She had lived in Dudley, where she and her husband were farmers, until moving to Arlington, Tennessee in 1997. She attended the Methodist Church and was a member of the Eastern Star.

On November 27, 1939, she married Oscar John Gasser in Bloomfield, Missouri. He preceded her in death on November 20, 2000.

Surviving are one son, David Gasser of Cape Girardeau; one daughter, Anita Richardson of Arlington, Tennessee; eight grandchildren; fifteen great grandchildren; and four great great grandchildren. Other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by two sons, Lonnie Gasser in 1956; John Gasser in 2018; one grandson; and two sisters, Fleta Jones and Johnnie Reed.

Visitation will be held on Friday, October 4, 2019, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter.

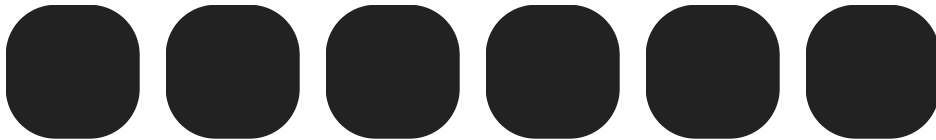
Funeral services will be held on Saturday October 5, 2019 at 2:30 pm at the Watkins & Sons Chapel in Dexter with the Rev. Steve Tippen of Bloomfield officiating. An Eastern Star service will be held before the service on Saturday.

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

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In Memory of Bernadette Mary Teresa Fuwell

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Bernadette Mary Teresa Fuwell, daughter of the late Leo Lucas and Rose Coones Lucas, was born on July 9, 1939 in Chicago, Illinois and departed this life on September 28, 2019 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 80 years.

Mrs. Fuwell was a homemaker and a resident of Bloomfield, Missouri. Her hobby was taking care of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

On August 15, 1959, in Chicago, Illinois, she was united in marriage to Buford Roy Fuwell, Sr. Mr. Fuwell preceded her in death on May 19, 2009.

She is survived by two sons, Butch Fuwell and wife Jessie of Bloomfield, Raymond Fuwell and wife Tina of Bloomfield; by two daughters, Sheila Fuwell of Dexter and Cindy Morton and husband Tim of Bloomfield; by her step-son, Norman Bradshaw and wife Vicki of Malden; by her sister, Bunny Willard of Chicago, Illinois; by fourteen grandchildren; and by fifteen great-grandchildren.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Christopher Fuwell; by her daughter, Andrea Garris; by her brother Leo Lucas Jr. and by her granddaughter, Savannah Snider.

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

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. James Malloy officiating.

Interment will follow in the Essex Cemetery.

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

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