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Allen Leroy Farmer, 75, of Dexter, Missouri, died at the John J. Pershing VA Medical Center, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, October 16, 2019. Born May 17, 1944 in Dexter, Missouri to Charles “Rosco” and Lucy Ann (Ruggles) Farmer, he was the youngest of 14 children. He is predeceased by his parents, and sisters: Levella Gold, Hortense Davis, Ruth Elledge, Roxine Gaines Terrill, Lawanda Farmer, Yvonne Taylor, Frankie Kinder; brothers: Charles Farmer, Raymond Farmer, Robert (Bob) Farmer, Ernest & Earl Farmer (twins), and Jim Farmer.

Survivors include: Mary Ellen Farmer of the home; two sons: Daniel Charles Farmer of St. Clair, Missouri and Jonathan “Jon” Allen Farmer and wife Adrienne of Wappapello, Missouri; eight grandchildren: Kaylie, Caleb and Sarah Farmer of Dexter, Missouri; Jonathan “Jonny” Farmer of Essex, Missouri; Kaitlynn and John Robert Powers of Wappapello, Missouri; and Mason and Gauge Farmer of Paris Tennessee.

He was a former Vietnam era veteran (stationed in Germany), and later as a US Army National Guard member from Dexter, Missouri’s 1221st Transportation Company, he had been deployed during Operation Desert Storm to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Iraq. He formed life-long friendships from his time spent in the Guards. He retired from the City of Dexter Street Department.

Allen was born again of the water and the spirt 45 years ago at the Apostolic Pentecostal Church in Dexter, Missouri in 1974 after he had asked God to show him personally that He really existed. Allen always testified, God did this by miraculously delivering him

from a burning airplane crash in Crawford, Mississippi, in which he was paralyzed from the waist up. He currently attended the Malden United Pentecostal Church in Malden, Missouri.

The most important things in Allen's life was his walk with God, his wife, sons, grandchildren, his nieces and nephews and all his extended family. When he was your friend, he was your friend for life and he will be greatly missed and remembered for the grace, courage, strength and downright fighting spirit, that he displayed over this last year in his extensive battle with aggressive Anaplastic T-Cell Lymphoma.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at the Apostolic Pentecostal Church in Dexter at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Caroline Dowdy Cemetery.

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

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