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In Memory of Wanda May Nolan

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In Memory of Wanda May Nolan

Wanda May Nolan, daughter of the late Ivan Johnson and Fay Martin Johnson was born on April 24, 1950 at Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on November 30, 2019 at the Advance Care Center in Advance, Missouri at the age of 69.

Mrs. Nolan was a resident of Bloomfield and of the Pentecostal faith. She had attended the Assembly of God Church in Bloomfield for many years. She had worked as an inhome health care provider, where she took care of the elderly.

On September 5, 1969 she was united in marriage to Mix Nolan in Bloomfield, Missouri. Mr. Nolan preceded her in death on July 1, 2010.

She is survived by two daughters, Patricia Seyer and her husband Ryan of Chaffee, Missouri and Sandy Nolan and her fiancé Evan Hicks of Bloomfield, Missouri; by one brother, Arlin and his wife Jeanette Johnson of Bloomfield; by seven grandchildren, Megan Bruce and her fiancé Brandon Friese, Nathan Bruce, Matthew Cazee, Emma Cazee, Shayna Seyer, Krista Hicks and Titus Hicks, and by one great-granddaughter, Gracelyn Friese.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one sister in infancy, Geraldine Johnson.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, December 2, 2019 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter with Rev. Dale Holman officiating.

Interment will follow in the Walker Cemetery in Bloomfield.

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In Memory of Shirley Ann Becking

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In Memory of Shirley Ann Becking

Shirley Ann Becking, was born on July 24, 1936, along the rural Northwest Dunklin-Stoddard County line road. She was the second child of Everett Ira Schrader and Thelma Louise Chatman. Shirley worked on her father's farm and went to school during her early years. She attended Bernie High School. During the Second World War and while the Malden Air Base was operational, Shirley worked at the Base Canteen with her mother

and sister.

On January 28, 1959, Shirley was joined in matrimony with George Harvey Becking at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dexter, Missouri. She worked as a waitress in support of her husband's schooling as he attended engineering school in Rolla, Missouri. On July 25, 1961, their first child, Cassandra Kay was born in Rolla. After completing school, the family moved to Kokomo, Indiana where their only son Bruce Edward was born on October 12, 1964.

In September of 1965, her family moved to East Detroit, Michigan where the family purchased her uncle's home. In January 1971, the family moved to Clinton Township, Michigan because Shirley wanted more space for her children; this was to become the Becking family home for the next 50 years. Shirley was a homemaker and much, much more as she excelled at this calling. Her only outside work during these years was keeping school teachers, preschool children so that she would be at home when her children were there and during their summer vacations. Shirley loved children and little animals and she was always in big demand for her children and their friends. Due to parental problems, she was also involved with the early years of her grandchildren. Occasionally, she would be called upon to help out with a crisis situation on the West coast and thus became known as "911 Grandma".

In September of 1998, Shirley's husband retired from his professional career. This afforded both her and her husband the opportunity to develop their family genealogy, which had been unknown beyond the grandparents until then, and provided the opportunity for much travel. They spent the next 10 plus years learning much about their heritage.

During Shirley's mid-fifties she was diagnosed with very early dementia. As the disease progressed, it developed into Alzheimer's during her late sixties and early seventies. In February of 2019, it became necessary to enter Shirley into a memory care unit where she remained until a bedsore, that caused a terminal infection, moved her to a specialized nursing facility in Tigard, Oregon.

Shirley passed away on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at the age of 83 years. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Cassandra, her sister and her brother. She is survived by her husband, George, her son, Bruce, her brother, three grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

Friends may call at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dexter, Missouri on Thursday, December 5, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Funeral Mass will then be conducted at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. with Father William Hennecke officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

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

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In Memory of Dennis Eugene Wagoner

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In Memory of Dennis Eugene Wagoner

Dennis Eugene Wagoner, son of the late Ed Wagoner and Pearlene Rosemary Spane was born on September 29, 1943 in Perkins, Missouri and departed this life on November 26, 2019 at his residence in Chaffee at the age of 76 years.

Mr. Wagoner retired as a supervisor of 30 years with Leggett-Platt Inc. in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and was a former employee of 9 years with Florsheim Shoe in Cape Girardeau. He served in the National Guard specialist fire department infantry #1140 as a medic, was a member of the Chaffee Elks Lodge #1810, and was an avid St. Louis Cardinals Fan and fisher man, but most of all loved watching his grandchildren play ball.

On May 15, 1965 he was united in marriage to Frances M. Halter at Chaffee. Mrs. Wagoner survivors of the home.

Besides Frances his wife of 54 years, other survivors include two sons, Danny Wagoner (Ann) of Chaffee and Eddie Wagoner of Kelso, Missouri; by one daughter, Kimberly Denise Wilson (Jim) of Houston, Texas; also, by four grandchildren, William Wilson, Lauren Wagoner, Avery Wagoner, Alex Wagoner and one brother Gary Wagoner of Perkins..

Besides his parents Dennis was preceded in death by one brother Jerry Wagoner.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, December 1, 2019 from 4:00 until 8:00 PM at the Amick-Burnett Funeral Home in Chaffee.

Elk Service will be at 6:00 pm on Sunday at the Chapel. Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, December 2, 2019 at 10:00 am at the Chapel with Rev. Phil Thompson and Rev. Kenny Shoemaker officiating. Interment will follow at the Williams Cemetery in Perkins.

In lieu of flowers the family request memorial donations be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation JDFR to help improve the lives of people burdened by type one diabetes and continue searching for a cure.

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In Memory of William Thomas Crawford

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In Memory of William Thomas Crawford

William Thomas Crawford, son of the late William Crawford and Margaret McLean Crawford Howard, was born on January 30, 1937 in Greensboro, North Carolina and departed this life on November 24, 2019 at his residence in Poplar Bluff, Missouri at the age of 82 years.

Mr. Crawford was a former manager for the Foushee Candy Company in Dexter, Missouri. He attended Zion Lutheran Church in Poplar Bluff.

On November 7, 1954 in New Wells, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Shirley Koch. Mrs. Crawford survives of their home in Poplar Bluff.

In addition to his wife, Shirley, he is survived by two sons, Jeff Crawford of Ellicott City, Maryland and Patrick Crawford of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by his daughter, Kim Marquis and husband Wayne of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by three sisters, Kathy Scheper of Jackson, Missouri, Retta Penrod of Murphysboro, Illinois and Debbie Wilson of Hanover, New Hampshire; by three grandchildren, Joe Marquis of Summerville, South Carolina, Jayson Marquis of Poplar Bluff, Missouri and Chelsea Marquis of Fayetteville, Arkansas; and by six great-grandchildren, Natalie Marquis, Nathan Marquis, Mayson Marquis, Ruby Marquis, Ava Rains and Chloey Rains.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Michael Crawford.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Justin Sponaugle officiating.

Interment will follow in the Russell Heights Cemetery in Jackson, Missouri.

Memorials may be made to Lutheran Hour Ministries, 660 Mason Ridge Center, St. Louis, MO 63141 and Worship Anew, 5 Martin Luther Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46825

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

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In Memory of Barbara Ellen Elsworth

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In Memory of Barbara Ellen Elsworth

Barbara Ellen Elsworth, daughter of the late William E. Winberry and Maggie Pardon Winberry was born in Malden, Missouri on August 9, 1940 and departed this life at Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri on November 23, 2019 at the age of 79.

Mrs. Elsworth was a homemaker and lived in Dexter, Missouri.

She was united in marriage to Hershel Elsworth at Valley View Heights, Illinois on December 22, 1962. Mrs. Elsworth preceded his wife in death on June 28, 2006.

Other survivors include two sons, Joie Elsworth & wife Robin of Harviell, Missouri and Timothy Ray Elsworth & wife Susan of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by four daughters, Denita Green of North Carolina, Patricia Hayes of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, Karen Clow and Pamela Wilson both of Dexter, Missouri; by one brother, Shelby Winberry of Independence, Missouri; by one sister Shirley Hefner of Patterson, Missouri, by seventeen grandchildren and twenty-two Great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband; by three brothers, J.D. Winberry, Billy Winberry and Willie Winberry; by two sisters, June Blair and Josie Young.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 from 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie starting at 2:00 P.M. Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery.

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

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