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In Memory of Wayne Kersey

JANUARY 24TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Wayne Kersey

Wayne Kersey, son of the late Ray Kersey and Dorothy Black Jerrell, was born on January 24, 1948 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on January 22, 2020 at his residence in Aid at the age of 71 years.

Mr. Kersey was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a husband, father, spiritual advisor, cowboy and a truck driver for Hall Transportation. Wayne was a patient and forgiving man, if Wayne told you something, he meant it and followed through with it. He never had a negative word about anyone, he thought of all his children and grandchildren, even if they weren't his biologically, he was their father, grandfather, great-grandfather. He always trusted God and was baptized at the First United Pentecostal Church at Sikeston in 2001.

On May 5, 1990, in Idalia, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Sylvia Smith. Mrs. Kersey survives of their home in Aid.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by six sons, Robert Kersey and wife Julie of Sikeston, Missouri, Mike Kersey of Dexter, Missouri, Travis Kersey of Holcomb, Missouri, Jason Vaughn of Dexter, Missouri, Bradley Vaughn and wife Holly of Dexter, Missouri, and Jesse Vaughn-Kersey of New Orleans, Louisiana; by two daughters, Leisa Stoker and husband Larry of Dexter, Missouri and Shelly Reeves of Sikeston, Missouri; by three brothers, Terry Jerrell and wife Robin of Arizona, Ed Kersey and wife Tweet of Springfield, Missouri, and Verleon Kersey and wife Kathy of Colorado Springs, Colorado; by two sisters, Loretta Mitchell of Sherwood, Arkansas and Anita Billingsley

and her husband Rick of Lowndes, Missouri; and by fifteen grandchildren, Heather Taylor and husband Drew, Dylan Kersey and wife Danielle, Dillon Steen and wife Jessica, Tara Mitchell, Brandan Mitchell and wife Jessica, Austin Mitchell and wife Vidalia, MaKenzie Vaughn, Revelee Vaughn, Kellie Kersey, Asher Kersey, Kayden Vaughn, Kaleb Vaughn, Kandon Vaughn, Nevan Vaughn and Riley Vaughn and by four great-grandchildren, Emaline, Cole, Willow and Kadience.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by two grandchildren, Amber Marie Rolling-Steen and Jacob Lane Vaughn and by one great grandchild, Alex Mitchell.

Visitation will be held at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, January 26, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. A

memorial service will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Sunday, January 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

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

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In Memory of Bruce W. Taylor

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In Memory of Bruce W. Taylor

Bruce W. Taylor, son of the late Lonnie Taylor and Dolly Percy Taylor, was born on May 11, 1950 in Sikeston, Missouri and departed this life on January 22, 2020 at his residence in Wappapello, Missouri at the age of 69 years.

Mr. Taylor was retired from Arvin Meritor in Dexter, Missouri. He was also a former C&C Machinist and self-employed in the Carpet Laying industry. Mr. Taylor attended New Life Baptist Church in Wappapello, Missouri.

On September 28, 1994, in Piggott, Arkansas, he was united in marriage to Yvonne Farmer Wood. Mrs. Taylor preceded him in death on February 6, 2019.

He is survived by three sons, Chad Taylor of Florida, Ty Taylor of Phoenix, Arizona, and David Wood of Wappapello, Missouri; by two daughters, Becky Taylor of Phoenix, Arizona and Melinda Jennings of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, Mark Taylor of Joplin, Missouri and Steve Taylor of Texas; by eleven grandchildren, Christopher Fox, Rodney Jennings, Matthew Wood, Jason Wood, Aaron Wood, Brady Wood, Eric Wood, Zoe Walton, Gunther Walton, Gage Abramo, and Emerson Taylor; and by six great-grandchildren, Erik, Lillith, Ruger, Jonah, Colby and Jemma.

Other than by his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Lonnie Taylor and Dennis Taylor.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. George Howell officiating.

Interment will follow in the Wappapello Cemetery.

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

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In Memory of Phyllis A. King

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In Memory of Phyllis A. King

Phyllis A. King, daughter of the late W. C. Massey and Edith Henly Massey, was born on June 6, 1943 in Santa Rita, New Mexico and departed this life on January 20, 2020 at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri at the age of 76 years.

Mrs. King was a former cook for Camp Avery and a resident of Dexter, Missouri.

On May 26, 1961, in Bloomfield, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Don King. Mr. King survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three sons, Christopher King and wife Dana of Troy, Missouri, Scott King and wife Laura of Moscow Mills, Missouri and Timothy King of Dexter, Missouri; by her daughter, Teresa Schwartz of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, Larry Massey of Aquilla, Missouri and John Massey and wife Debbie of Bloomfield, Missouri; by nine grandchildren, Ian King, Wade King, Nicole Eynard, Meagan Schwartz, Jake Schwartz, Jamie Stoops, Jessica Knaust, Nathan King and Emma King; and by three great-grandchildren, Oakley, Paisley and Theo.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, David Lynn King; by her brother, William Massey, by two brothers in infancy and by three sisters, Jeannie Thrower, Mae Wyatt and Vickie Moore.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Steve Koerner officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 9370 Olive Boulevard, St. Louis Missouri 63132-3253.

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

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In Memory of Bonnie Jo Jones

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In Memory of Bonnie Jo Jones

Bonnie Jo Jones, daughter of the late Marion Orr Sr. and Mabel Kincer Riggs, was born on August 28, 1952 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on January 20, 2020 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis Missouri at the age of 67 years.

Mrs. Jones was a former assembler for Arvin Automotive, retiring after 25 years of service and she is a cashier for Town & Country. She was a member of the Bernie Church of Christ and a resident of Dexter, Missouri.

On September 20, 1980, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Steve Jones. Mr. Jones survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Beckie King and husband James of Sidney, Arkansas and Jessica Young and husband Josh of Dexter, Missouri.; by her brother, Junior Orr and wife Patty of Grayridge, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Shelbie King and fiancé Jordan Fryman, Alan King, Bronwen Young and Ryan Young; and by her beloved dog, Doug.

Friends may call on at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, January 23, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Friday, January 24, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. with Stan Dauck officiating. Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Church of Christ Children's Homes, Inc., 5515 Walcott Road, Paragould, Arkansas 72450.

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

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In Memory of Carolyn Kay Robinson

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In Memory of Carolyn Kay Robinson

Carolyn Kay Robinson of Bernie, MO passed away January 17, 2020 at St. Clare Hospital in Fenton, MO at the age of 77.

Carolyn is survived by her husband, Thomas Junior Robinson; two children, Todd Robinson of Bernie and Tonya Lyons (Dennis) of Poplar Bluff; three grandchildren, Holden Robinson (Amanda), Christie Wright (Ethan), and Craig Salsman (Mariah); three great-grandchildren, Anasten Robinson, Gabriel Robinson, and Liam Robinson; two sisters, Virginia Joiner and Marlin Durham (Don); Sister-in-law, Doris Turner; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Preceding her death were her parents, W.C. and Mamie Hillyard; mother in-law and father in-law, Thomas and Mary Sue Robinson; and her sister, Estelle White.

Carolyn was a such a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend. Carolyn was an individual who always put the needs of others before her own. Carolyn loved to cook and bake. She loved cooking for her family and providing for others in their time of need. Carolyn has owned Carolyn's Hair Salon in Bernie for several years. Most importantly, she loved her God. She was a woman of faith. For several years Carolyn enjoyed singing and playing the piano in church. Carolyn was of the Christian faith and attended Malden Assembly of God church.

Carolyn now resides in her heavenly home. If she could tell us one thing it would be to get our hearts right with God and come join her. We love you Carolyn and you will be dearly missed.

Visitation will be held on Monday, January 20, 2020 from Noon until 2:00 p.m.

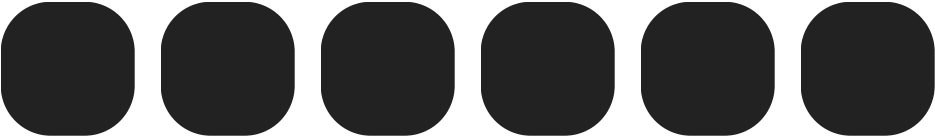
Funeral services will then be conducted on Monday, January 20, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie with Rev. Kenneth Lambert officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

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