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Velma Louise Moore Underwood Pierce, daughter of the late Perry Lee Moore and Edna Bell Young Moore, was born on October 23, 1932 in Birds Corner, Missouri, and departed this life on June 11, 2020 at her residence in Bloomfield, Missouri, at the age of 87 years.

Mrs. Pierce was employed at International Shoes in Dexter, where she cleaned shoes and applied adhesive to the soles of shoes. She was a former seamstress for Elder Manufacturing in Dexter, where she sewed hat rims and tied up work. She was a member of the First General Baptist Church in Bloomfield.

In April 1950, in Piggott, Arkansas, she was first united in marriage to Joseph Harrison Underwood. Joe preceded her in death on April 3, 1984. On September 15, 1985, she was then united in marriage to Fridis Pierce. Fridis preceded her in death on October 20, 2003.

She is survived by her daughter, Vicky Sue Hovis and husband Donnie of Bloomfield, by her son, Ricky Lee Underwood and wife Derenda of Dexter; by three grandchildren, Donnie Ray Hovis, Donnie Lynn Hovis Jr., and Ricky Joe Underwood and wife Jessica; by eleven great-grandchildren, Dylan Hovis of Puxico, Dustin Hovis and wife Katelan of Bloomfield, Logan Denkins of Dexter, Ricky Hovis and wife Madison of Puxico, Tiffany Hovis of Scott City, Jimmy Birkner of O'Fallon, Alexis Underwood, Tyler Underwood, Andy Hellman and wife Angela of Houghton, Iowa, Adam Hellman and wife Lisa of

Jefferson City, and Ashley Norris and husband Jeremy of Iowa City, Iowa; by six great-great grandchildren, Easton Hovis, Ridge Hovis, Sawyer Norris, Sophia Hellman, Alesha Hellman, and Ayden Hellman; by her brother, Leoid Moore of Bloomfield; and by many other relatives and friends.

Besides her husbands and parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Eugene Moore, Roy Moore, and M C Moore, and by her sister, Margarete Darby.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, June 15, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Ronnie Stevens and Rev. Jared Hancock officiating.

Interment will follow in Walker Cemetery in Bloomfield.

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

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