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In Memory of Linda Sue Calvert

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In Memory of Linda Sue Calvert

Linda Sue Calvert, 71, of East Cape, formerly of Cairo, passed away at 3:20 AM on Friday, August 21, 2020 at her home.

Linda was born in Cairo on August 31, 1948 to John Whitehead and Patsy Dodd Whitehead. She married Edwin Calvert on December 23, 1966.

She worked as a cook at Witz's Restaurant in East Cape. She loved to play bingo, work in the yard with her flowers, and fish with Ed.

She is survived by her husband, Edwin Calvert; son, Timothy Calvert; daughters, Kimberly Rains and Jennifer Schmitt; four grandchildren, Cora, Shelby, Kaci, and Charlie; four great grandchildren, Corbin, Luke, Eli, and Parker; two great great grandchildren, Gracelyn Mae and Willa Grace; two sisters, Sharon Williams and Pam Boyd, and one brother, Tom Williams.

Linda was preceded in death by a son, Terry Calvert; her mother, Patsy Williams; father, John Whitehead; and a brother, Curtis Whitehead.

Visitation will be held from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at Crain Funeral Home in Cairo.

Funeral services will begin at 3:00 pm on Saturday at the funeral home with Rev. Larry Potts officiating. Interment will follow at Green Lawn Memorial Gardens.

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In Memory of Sammy Sturgess

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Sammy Sturgess son of the late Murray Lee Sturges and Jessie Mullins Sturges was born on August 22, 1932 in Dover, Arkansas and departed this life on August 17, 2020 at his residence in Dexter at the age of 87.

Mr. Sturgess was a Veteran of the United States Air Force and a member of the Dexter Church of Christ. While he held different jobs throughout his life, he was a country boy at heart and was always farming in some way. He worked at Standard Oil and Bootheel Petroleum, he passed the realtor's test and became a licensed real estate agent. Sammy retired from Arvin at the age of 75. Sammy cherished the relationships he developed in the Air Force and while at Arvin, developing bonds that would last a life-time. In 1987 he and Sue started Trinkets & Treasures in Dexter.

On October 11, 1957 he was united in marriage to Sue White in Dexter, Missouri. Mrs. Sturgess preceded him in death on April 23, 2015.

He is survived by one son, Doug Sturgess and wife Kathy of Sikeston, Missouri; by three daughters, Deborah Sturgess of Dexter, Missouri, Dana Frazier and husband Mark of Stuarts Draft, Virginia, and Dr. Susan Lucktong and husband Dr. Ek of Mooresville, North Carolina; six grandchildren, Hannah Oxenford and husband Leland, Haley Knicely and husband Taylor, Sammy Lucktong, Savannah Lucktong, Jennifer Scism and Michael Scism; and by four great-grandchildren, Connor, Ivy, Harrison and Lily.

Besides his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Danny Sturgess; by one brother, Rollan Sturges and by two sisters, Christine Demaree and Helen Jackson.

A private funeral service will be conducted and will include full military honors.

Memorials may be made to the Preferred Hospice, 423 Business Highway 60 West Box 99, Dexter, Missouri 63841 or to The American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting the family with all arrangements.

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In Memory of Viola Brown

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Viola Brown, daughter of the late Hadley Brockmire and LaVern Robert Brockmire was born on August 7, 1932 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and departed this life on August 14, 2020 at the Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau at the age of 88.

Viola was a strong, independent woman, who loved taking care of her family. Besides taking care of her family, she loved her cats and grandpuppies, and loved and cared for them like her own. She was a member of the Dexter Elks Lodge #2439. She was a member and proud supporter of Ducks Unlimited.

On July 11, 1952 she was united in marriage to Willard Brown in Cape Girardeau. Mr. Brown preceded her in death on January 28, 1997.

She is survived by one son, Steve Brown and wife Tonya of Dexter, Missouri; by three daughters, Janet Baker and husband David of Dexter, Missouri, Susan Cutler and husband Mark of St. Charles, Missouri and Patty Ahlert and her husband Dan of Nashville, Tennessee; by five grandchildren, David L. Baker, Zac Cutler, Miles Brown, Alexis Ahlert and Abby Smith; by one great-grandchild, Marley Cutler and by four sisters, Elva Alsobrook of Vancouver, Washington, Lori Page of Sequim, Washington, Bobby Rickman and Judi Hindman both of Dexter, Missouri.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all of Viola's services will be private. Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter will accept floral arrangements and expressions of sympathy for the family.

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In Memory of Rhonda England Martinek

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Rhonda England Martinek, 68, of Poplar Bluff, passed away August 10, 2020 in Poplar Bluff. Rhonda was born February 4, 1952 to Cleo and Juanita England.

She is survived by her loving daughters Tammy Mallard (Shane), Heather Hastings (Mark), and Lesli Campbell (Terry). She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, Steven, Cassie, Taylor, Nathan, Molly, Emma, Marcus, and Riah; and her great grandchildren, Maverick and Miley. She was a loving and caring person, devoted to her family and friends.

Rhonda is also survived by her brother Garry England (JoAnne). She was preceded in death by one daughter, Susan; and by two brothers Allan and Ron England.

Visitation is on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Dexter with Memorial at 2:00 p.m. with her son-in-law, Shane Mallard officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

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

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In Memory of Maynard E Bresee (Bud)

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Maynard E Bresee (Bud) was called to his heavenly home on July 24, 2020. Bud was born in Pottawattamie, Iowa to Larry and Ellen Bresee on May 1, 1926. He was 94 years old.

Bud started a family with Marie Green Bresee, they resided in Bloomfield, MO. Bud and Marie had 3 children: Larry, Patty and Eddie. All whom proceed him in death.

Bud was a successful insurance agent with Farm Bureau well over 30 years in the Stoddard County area. He was also the mayor of Bloomfield and was very active in creating the Crowley Ridge Recreation Center where he enjoyed spending much of his time playing golf with family and friends.

Bud married and joined families with Colleen (Hopkins) Bresee on August 26, 1987 at Bloomfield's First General Baptist Church. They spent many years in Bloomfield while traveling and enjoying life. Eventually they retired to their home in Haines City, Florida where they enjoyed their days with friends and family on the golf course and playing cards.

Bud was a sibling of 6 others: Winona(deceased) Betty Zoe, Dewayne, Elbert, Jerry and Joyce all residing in various states.

He is leaving a legacy of love to his wife Colleen, daughter in law Donna and family, 5 grandkids Rob, Heather, Eva, Spencer, and Lisa, 11 great grandkids Robyn, River, Jewel, Rachel(deceased), Skyler, Jonathan, Jasmine, Selah, Tanner, Oliver, and Bailey and a host of nieces, nephews and many friends.

Services will be held August 12, 2020, Wednesday at Bloomfield Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. A small gathering and meal be held at 12:00pm at The Gathering on North Outer Road in Dexter, MO.

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

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