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In Memory of James Walter Henderson

OCTOBER 30TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of James Walter Henderson

James Walter Henderson, son of the late Walt Henderson and Susie Gaines Henderson, was born on May 11, 1948 in Bloomfield, Missouri, and departed this life on October 29, 2020 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 72 years.

Mr. Henderson was a Veteran of the United States Air Force, serving in Vietnam on Johnson Island. He was a former employee of Federal-Mogul in Malden, Missouri, the former head of maintenance for WW Wood Products in Dudley, Missouri, and the former Sheriff of Essex, Missouri. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bernie, Missouri, and the Bernie Masonic Lodge #573. He was the City of Bernie Alderman for Ward II and an Auctioneer. Jim helped in the family grocery store in Essex. He was a friend to everyone and considered them to a part of his family. He was a man of many talents including wood working, election, computers and passing his knowledge of chess to his Great Grandson Christopher who says his Gramps lived a good life filled with love.

On October 14, 1967, in Malden, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Beverley Pflueger. Mrs. Henderson survives of their home in Bernie.

In addition to his wife Beverley, by his daughter, Toni Brigman and husband Guy of Elmer, Oklahoma, he is survived by two sons, John Henderson of Bernie, and Roy Boyce and wife Ashley of Bloomfield; by four brothers, Bruce Gaines of Crocker, Missouri; Norman Henderson of Texas, Paul Henderson and Robin Henson both of Dexter; by three sisters, Nina Parsons of Altus, Arkansas, Betty Maraj of Virginia, and Barbara Christopher of Milton, Florida; by eight grandchildren, Aerial Bates and husband David,

Briana Brigman, Ashton Brigman, Piper Henderson, Dakota Henderson, Skyla Hoggard, Alyssa Boyce, and Clayton Henson; and by three great-grandchildren, Christopher Cryer, Marilee Musser, and Ellora McCarter.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, November 1, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Steve Fitzpatrick officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, with full military honors.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Betty Jean Owens

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Betty Jean Owens, daughter of the late Elbert Wheatley and Lela Duck Wheatley, was born on November 9, 1936 in Dorena, Missouri, and departed this life on October 26, 2020 at Hunter Acres Care Center in Sikeston, Missouri, at the age of 83 years.

Mrs. Owens retired from Falcon Communications in Malden, Missouri, where she worked as an assembler. She was a member of the Dexter Elks and a resident of Dexter.

She was united in marriage to Glen Owens. Mr. Owens preceded her in death.

She is survived by her son, Larry Tennison of St. Louis, Missouri; by her sister, Patricia Williams of Dexter, Missouri; by her brother, Wayne Marquis of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; and by five grandchildren.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Celia Delwiche; by three brothers, J. W. Wheatley, Paul Wheatley, and Elbert Junior Wheatley; and by her sister, Carolyn Lamar.

No services are currently planned.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Thelma A. Niehaus

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In Memory of Thelma A. Niehaus

Thelma A. Niehaus left this world to meet with her Lord and Savior Saturday October 24, 2020 at St Francis in Cape Girardeau with her son and his wife by her side. Thelma was born to Elmer C. and Maudie Schrader Ludwig in Risco MO on February 1, 1940. She was one of twelve beautiful children. She grew up and graduated from Risco High School and attended two years at SEMO University.

She married Thomas Shaughnessy and from that union Paul Stephen was born. They later divorced. She married Walter Niehaus on July 27, 1968. Walter adopted Paul as his own.

She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Dexter MO. Although she was unable to get to church these past five years due to her health, she loved listening to or watching the Lutheran Hour.

Anyone who knew Thelma knew she wasn't afraid of a little hard work (in fact she wasn't afraid of much of anything). She spent many years farming with her family and enjoyed every minute of it.

Sweet, sweet Thelma had a heart the size of the moon and always gave more than she ever received. God gave her a gift of feeding those around her whether it was with food, sharing Jesus or her love. She wanted everyone happy. Of course, she never knew a stranger. If she didn't know you, she probably knew someone who did. She touched people with her generosity and passion for life!

But there was nothing in this life she loved more than her son, her pride and joy, Paul Niehaus. And he loved her too! She was an amazing Mother, Grandma and Great Grandma. All of her grandchildren and great grandchildren cherished their Grandma Thelma. Their one-of-a-kind Grandma could put a smile on their faces with the silly stories she'd tell them over and over again.

Our Sweet Thelma is survived by her son Paul and his wife Glenda Niehaus. Four granddaughters April (Sam) Craig, Ashlee (TJ) Ringling, Kortnee (Sam) Goodman and

Hayley Niehaus. Her grandson Hunter Niehaus. Five great grandsons, Colten, Kyle and Corey Craig and Peyton and Kelan Ringling. Five great granddaughters Emma Ringling, Kaylee and Gracee Pulsipher (Goodman), Ember and Elyssa Craig. Two sisters Norma (Ed) Macon, Georgianna Ludwig. Her brother Arlin Ludwig. One sister in law Marilyn (Jeanette) Ludwig. And numerous nieces and nephews.

Thelma was preceded in death by her husband Walter, her parents Elmer and Maudie Ludwig, her in laws Henry and Sophia Niehaus, siblings Elmer Jr. Ludwig, Maxine Goodwin, Schrader Ludwig, Anna Joyce, Robert (Bob) Ludwig, Norman (Sonny) Ludwig and one other brother and sister who both died at birth.

We'd like to thank the amazing people at Central Gardens in Dexter for the care they provided our Thelma for the past five years. We also thank the doctors and nurses at St Francis for taking great care of her the last week of her life. Thank you! You'll never know how much we appreciate all of you.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, November 1, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Sunday, November 1, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. with Pastor Justin Sponaule officiating.

Family, Friends and others whose lives Thelma touched are invited to reminisce, grieve and support one another.

Burial will follow in the Hagy Cemetery.

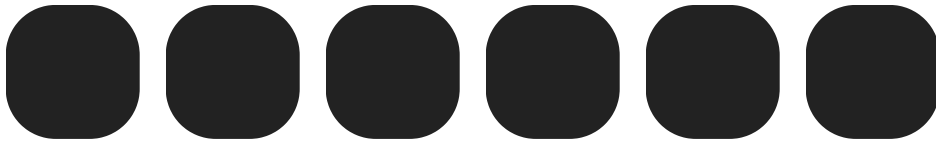
Memorials may be made to a local charity or church of your choice.

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In Memory of Diane Cluck

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In Memory of Diane Cluck

Diane Cluck, daughter of Kay Miller Sontag and the late Floyd William Penny, was born on January 25, 1961 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and departed this life on October 21, 2020 at her residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 59 years.

Mrs. Cluck was of the Pentecostal faith and she was a homemaker.

She is survived by her mother, Kay Sontag of Dexter; by her son, Justin Cluck of Bernie; by two daughters, Amanda Morlan of Dexter and Erica Miller of Dexter; by two brothers, Walter Sontag of Dexter and Michael Sontag of St. Louis; and by eleven grandchildren.

Other than by her father, she was preceded in death by her brother, Randy Jany; and by her sister, Kristie Jany.

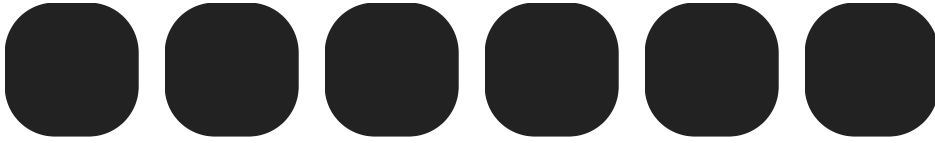
A memorial service will be conducted at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Melvin J. Lewis

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In Memory of Melvin J. Lewis

Melvin J. Lewis, son of the late Homer Lewis and Irene Rector Lewis, was born on September 4, 1945 in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on October 22, 2020 at his residence in Broseley, Missouri, at the age of 75 years.

Mr. Lewis was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a former over the road truck driver for various companies.

He is survived by one son, Steven Lewis of New Madrid, Missouri; by four daughters, Rene Garcia of Southaven, Mississippi, Kristi Reed of Dexter, Missouri, Kelly Dunlap of Tennessee, and Sheila Renee Lewis; by three sisters, Blanche Sturgeon of Charleston, Missouri, Carolyn Patterson of Broseley, Missouri, and Wilma Lee Haley of Charleston, Missouri; and by nine grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Katie Dunlap Perry; by six brothers, Frank Lewis, Ed Lewis, Emmett Lewis, Norman Lewis, Virgil Lewis, and Orville Lewis; and by three sisters, Lola Henson, Mary Duncan, and Ann Belle Harp.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, October 26, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. until 1:45 p.m.

Graveside services will then be conducted at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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