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In Memory of Wanda “Cookie” West

NOVEMBER 10TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Wanda “Cookie” West, daughter of the late Jake Grubbs and Jean Ann Taylor Grubbs, was born on August 24, 1951 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on November 8, 2020 at her residence in Dexter, at the age of 69 years.

Mrs. West was a former employee of Paramount Hat Company and a former bartender for the Paperdoll Playboy Lounge.

She is survived by her long-time companion, Von “Dago” Baker of Dexter; by five sons, Jamie West of Dexter, Jason West of Bloomfield, Jeff Baker of Puxico, Michael Baker of Van Buren, and Brian Baker of Lebanon; and by her daughter, Tammy Baker of Dexter; by three brothers, Russell Grubbs of Bloomfield, Roger Grubbs and Donald Grubbs both of Dexter; by four sisters, Patsy McCoy, Mary Tucker, and Debby Grubbs all of Dexter, and Christina Grubbs of Doniphan; and by thirteen grandchildren, Seth West, Payln West, Shelly West, Tiffany West, Chloe Clark, Corey West, Josh Holderfield, Danielle Holderfield, Vincent Wakefield, Aaron Joe DeJournett, Jade Cain, Brianna Cain, and Dalton Pearson; and by twenty great-grandchildren.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Diana Lynn “Nanner” Holderfield.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

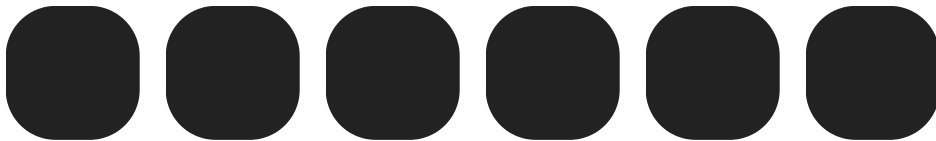
Interment will follow in Dexter Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Robert Dale "Bob" Garner

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[In Memory of Robert Dale](#)

Robert Dale "Bob" Garner was born March 16, 1927, to Robert Alexander and Cora DeArman Garner in Pyletown, Missouri. He departed from this life on November 7, 2020, at Winchester Place in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 93.

He married Maxine Clary on July 13, 1950, in Piggott, Arkansas, and then moved to Michigan for work. After the birth of their fourth child, they returned to Missouri and settled near the family farm.

Bob served in Korea during World War II, and worked many years in construction before establishing Busy B's Lumber in Dexter, Missouri. He believed deeply in hard work. Problems could be solved by waking up earlier and staying later--and if that didn't work, baling wire and duct tape usually did.

He enjoyed riding, training, and showing Tennessee Walking horses. He was a regular attendee at the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration in Shelbyville, Tennessee. His love of horses led him to taking grandchildren on long trail rides with the Cardiac Cowboys.

Bob was a New Testament Christian and a member of the Church of Christ at Dexter, Missouri. He was a humble and serious follower of Jesus who never stopped studying and learning.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Maxine Garner, of Dexter; daughters Debby (Vernon) Allen of Dexter and Vicki (Phillip) Walker of Bartlett, Tennessee; and sons Ron (Julie) Garner and Scott (Emily) Garner, both of Dexter, and one daughter-in-law Jody Garner of Dyersburg, TN; 15 grandchildren, and 24 great- grandchildren. He is also survived by one brother Marvin (Evelyn) Garner and one sister, Maxine Gillis, both of Dexter.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Lester, Ivan, Hubert, Chester, Larry, Lewis, and Loyd Garner and sisters Myrl Cook, Emma Stallion, and Norma Grubbs. He was also preceded in death by one son, Donald Garner.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the Dexter church of Christ. The funeral will follow at 11:00 AM with Jeremy Tucker officiating. Grandsons Justin Allen, Jeremy Allen, Bobby Garner, Sam Garner, Alex Garner, John Garner, Phillip Walker, Jr. and Stephen Walker will serve as pallbearers.

Interment will follow at Caroline Dowdy Cemetery, with Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Children's Home, Inc., in Paragould, Arkansas, or Bootheel Youth Camp, in Bloomfield, Missouri.

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In Memory of Patricia Wilkerson

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Patricia Wilkerson, daughter of the late Everett Cecil and Juanita Newton Cook, was born on December 5, 1950 in Indianapolis, Indiana, and departed this life on November 5, 2020 at Southeast Health of Stoddard County, in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 69 years.

Mrs. Wilkerson was a former employee of Pyramid Home Health and she was a resident of Parma, Missouri. She enjoyed painting artwork, she was crafty, and she loved pets.

She is survived by her son, Billy Davis of Oklahoma; by her daughter, Vicki Martin and husband Leland of Dexter, Missouri; by two sisters, Christine Ainslie of Hereford, Texas and Dawn Cook of Canalou, Missouri; by five grandchildren, Jade Davis, Brody Davis, Joshua Heintz, Michael Cantrell, and Derek Miller; and by one great-grandchild.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Richard Cecil, and by two sisters, Shirley Weber and Vicki Wynne.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Doris Kathryn Williamson

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In Memory of Doris Kathryn Williamson

Doris Kathryn Williamson, daughter of the late George Miller and Naomi Temples Miller, was born on August 1, 1928 in Pontiac, Michigan and departed this life on November 6, 2020 in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 92 years.

On January 15, 1951, in Fayetteville, North Carolina, she was united in marriage to Estel Williamson. Mr. and Mrs. Williamson were married for 69 years. Mr. Williamson

survives of their home in Essex.

Mrs. Williamson worked as an administrative professional upon her graduation from the Chillicothe Business College. Before accepting the role of motherhood fulltime, she was employed with the law firm of Sanford and Rose of North Carolina.

In addition to her husband, Estel, she is survived by two sons, Bruce Williamson of Van Buren, and Brett and wife Ingrid of Essex; by three daughters, Kay and husband Ray Lassen of Doniphan, Ellen of Bloomfield, and Mary Ann of Kirkwood; by her brother, Frank Miller of Dexter, by her aunt, Evelyn Hunt of Dexter, by five grandchildren, Jonathan Williamson, Kendra (Dave) Haas, Jaime (Marcus) Davis, Rachel Darter, and Tasha Lassen; by thirteen great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews as well as great nieces and nephews, friends and family.

Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Jeanie Miller; by her great-grandson, Owen Hawkins and her great-granddaughter, Elizabeth Williamson.

Private, family only, funeral Services will be conducted at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, November 9, 2020 with Rev. James Malloy officiating.

Interment will follow in the Essex Cemetery.

The Williamson family respectfully requests that everyone wear a mask.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38101.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Farrell Dean Menley

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Farrell Dean Menley, son of the late Alvin Menley and Mary Phillips Menley, was born on September 16, 1939 in rural Bloomfield, Missouri, and departed this life on November 6, 2020 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 81 years.

Mr. Menley was a former employee of Purolator for twenty-three years, working as a machine operator. He also worked for the International Hat Company for thirteen years and Tyson for seven years. He was a member of Castor River General Baptist Church and a resident of Aquilla, Missouri. He enjoyed being outside and working in his flowers. He loved his animals and he loved to sing.

On November 17, 1961, in Clines Island, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Nancy Ann Eaton. Mrs. Menley survives of their home in Aquilla.

In addition to his wife Nancy, he is survived by his son, Wayne Menley and wife Barbara of Jonesboro, Arkansas; by his daughter, Teresa Hattenhauer and husband Cliff of Laredo, Arkansas; by his brother, Eugene Menley and wife Phyllis of Dexter, Missouri; by three grandchildren, Meghan Allen and husband Mikey, Dalton Menley, and Morgan Barr and husband Cameron; and by one great-grandson, Jaxson Allen.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, November 8, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, November 9, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Harold Carter and Rev. Mike Lee officiating.

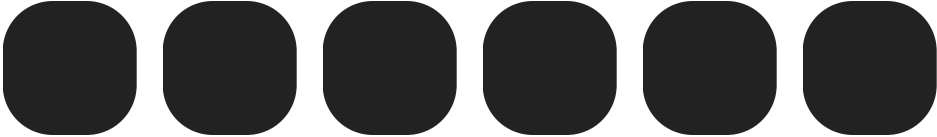
Interment will follow in Walker Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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