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In Memory of Weldon Reed Jones

DECEMBER 10TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Weldon Reed Jones

Weldon Reed Jones, son of the late James Jones and Cora Canady Jones, was born on June 21, 1926 in Bloomfield, Missouri, and departed this life on December 7, 2020 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 94 wears.

Mr. Jones was a veteran of the United States Navy, serving in World War II and he was a former employee of the City of Dexter. He was of the General Baptist faith and a loving, Christian father. He was a talented musician and gospel singer. He loved to talk about God, tell jokes and spend time with family and friends. While staying with his son, he attended Johnson Road General Baptist Church in Granite City, Illinois, and he loved all the people there.

On December 27, 1945 in Piggott, Arkansas, he was united in marriage to Louise Mae Kinser. Mrs. Jones preceded him in death on June 30, 2018.

He is survived by three sons, Cleatus Jones and wife Sue of Troy, Illinois, Weldon Jones and wife Bunny of Bloomfield, Missouri, and Don Jones and wife Sheila of Dexter, Missouri; by two daughters, Linda Kayler and husband Johnny of Dexter, Missouri and Cathy Chesnutt and husband Richard of Worden, Illinois; and by thirteen grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and by his granddaughter, Angela Kayler.

Graveside services will be held at Walker Cemetery in rural Bloomfield on Thursday, December 10, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Tim Russell officiating.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, PO Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Michael (Mike) Mullen Clippard

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In Memory of Michael (Mike) Mullen Clippard

Michael (Mike) Mullen Clippard, was born on October 20, 1946 at Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and departed this life on December 8, 2020 at Missouri Baptist Medical Center in St. Louis, Missouri, from complications of Covid-19.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Gail Clippard; by two sons Dr. Michael Clippard (Cathy) and Brandon Clippard; by two grandchildren, Anna Clippard and William Clippard; by his brother James Clippard (Faye); and by special friends Brian, Mandy, Emma, and Addie Crow. He is preceded in death by his parents, Wallis and Hazel Clippard; and by his brother, Joseph Clippard.

Mike graduated from Ouachita University in 1968 with a Bachelor of Music Education and furthered his music education at Arkansas State University by obtaining a Masters of Music Education degree. He started his teaching career in Clarendon, Arkansas where he led the high school band program for three years. He then moved to Dexter, Missouri to teach high school music at his Alma Mater. He was initially assistant band director under life-long music mentor and friend Mr. Howard Jones. "Mr. C", as he was commonly referred to by his students, retired after 31 years of teaching music education and leading the high school band program at Dexter High School.

Mike enjoyed many different hobbies including camping, hunting, fishing, and water skiing. During his retirement years, he became a skilled woodcarver, enjoying Native American folklore and was a proud member of the Crowley Ridge Black Powder Club. Mike and Gail enjoyed many trips to Branson, Missouri. He also enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, Anna and William. Mike never met a stranger and was a friend to everyone. He was a longstanding member of First Baptist Church in Dexter, Missouri, where he served as a Sunday School teacher and Deacon.

Visitation will be held at First Baptist Church in Dexter on Friday, December 11, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted at 12:00 p.m. with Rev. Don Kennedy officiating. Graveside services and Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery with Rev. Mark Smith officiating.

The Clippard family respectfully requests that everyone practice social distancing and wear a mask during the visitation and funeral services.

Memorials may be made to the Dexter Public School Foundation, c/o Mike Clippard/Dexter High School Band Program, 1031 Brown Pilot Lane, Dexter Missouri 63841.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.



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In Memory of Jeanette Sandra Paris

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In Memory of Jeanette Sandra Paris

Jeanette Sandra Parish daughter of Mary Lee Akins Craft and the late Guy Festus Craft, was born in Bernie, Missouri on May 10, 1943 and departed this life at her residence in Bernie, Missouri on December 6, 2020 at the age of 77.

Mrs. Parish had given piano lessons, and played piano in Church all her life. She had been Activity Director for Ridgeview Nursing Home of Malden for 8 years and later went to Malden Nursing Center and Started the same there. She attended Corner Gospel Church of Bernie.

She was united in marriage to Sammie Lynn Parish in Bernie, Missouri on June 13, 1975. Mr. Parish survives his wife in their home in Rural Bernie.

Other survivors include two daughters, LaDonna Lee Duncan & husband Terry of Bloomfield, Missouri and Dana Michelle Gough & husband Harold of Malden, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Lindsey Nicole Fuwell, Brandon Michael Gough, Seth Norman and Zach Norman; by nine Great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her father, by one sister in infancy, Judy Craft.

Graveside services will be conducted at Bernie Cemetery on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 2:00 P.M.

With Rev. Brandon Gough and Rev. Dean Williams officiating. Interment will follow. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie in charge of all arrangements.

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In Memory of Lisa Ann Renae Deprow

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In Memory of Lisa Ann Renae Deprow

Lisa Ann Renae Deprow, daughter of Brad Deprow and the late Kimberly Hook Deprow, was born on October 16, 1987 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on December 5, 2020 at Southeast Health of Stoddard County, in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 33 years.

Miss Deprow attended the Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter. She was a loving, caring, and giving person and a great daughter, sister, granddaughter and aunt.

She is survived by her father, Brad Deprow of Clarkton, Missouri; by her son, Marcos Brayden Solano of Bloomfield; by three brothers, Chris Crader of Dexter, Matt Deprow of Bloomfield, and Taylan Wyatt of Bloomfield; by her sister, Amanda Hook of Dexter; by her paternal grandmother, Joann Espada of Dexter; by four uncles and aunts, Robert and Linda Hook of Malden, Richard and Becky Warren of Dexter, Joe Deprow, and Wade Deprow both of Dexter; and by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Kimberly Deprow; by her daughter, Victoria P. Deprow; by her brother, Michael Hook; by her maternal grandfather, John Monjeau; by her maternal grandmother, Ann Marie Hook; and by her paternal grandfather, James Deprow.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Tim Russell officiating.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Maria Teets

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In Memory of Maria Teets

Maria Teets, daughter of the late Arthur Kester and Jessie Cunningham Kester, was born on June 17, 1948 in Hayward, California, and departed this life on December 5, 2020 at Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri, at the age of 72 years.

Mrs. Teets was a homemaker and a member of the First Pentecostal Church in Dexter. She enjoyed taking care of her children and grandchildren and growing plants.

She is survived by her son, Lonnie Teets and his wife Dorothy of Dexter; by her daughter, Cindy Teets of Bloomfield; by one brother, Johnny Kester of Dexter; by two sisters, Judith Bryant and Donna Robinson both of Dexter; by five grandchildren, Jessica Nelson, Rebecca Pulley, Alyssa-Jean Teets, Ethan Wood, and Logan Wood.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Teresa Nelson; by her brother, Dale Kester; and by her grandson, Logan Teets.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, December 10, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Funeral Services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Jeff Wells officiating.

Interment will follow in Bloomfield Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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