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## In Memory of Kimberly Gaines Wichern

FEBRUARY 28TH 2021 BY DEE LOFLIN

### In Memory of Kimberly Gaines Wichern

On Wednesday January 17th, 2021 Kimberly Gaines Wichern, our loving mother, passed away at the age of 53.

Kim was born June 8th, 1967 to Barbara Sue (Stanley) Gaines and Melvin Earl Gaines.

She spent her adventurous life working as a Jack of all Trades, including work as a substitute teacher, seamstress, dental hygienist, event planner, and executive assistant in the states of Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and Tennessee.

She also raised twin daughters, Jessica and Rebecca. Kim had a love of travel and event planning was her true passion. She was known for her contagious smile as well as her compassion and friendliness to others.

Kim was preceded in death by her father Melvin, her mother Barbara, and her sister Melissa (Gaines) Haines. She is survived by her daughters Jessica (Wichern) Birge and Rebecca (Wichern) McManaway, as well as two grandchildren Kipton and Kinsley.

A family memorial will be held at a future date..

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## In Memory of Etta Mae Halbert Temples

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### In Memory of Etta Mae Halbert Temples

Etta Mae Halbert Temples, daughter of the late Jessie DeJournett and Opal Lemons DeJournett, was born on June 17, 1928 and departed this life on February 25, 2021 at Southeast Health in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 92 years.

Mrs. Temples was a former employee of the shoe factory and a farmer. She was a member of Risen Church in Dexter, Missouri and a resident of Dexter.

She was first united in marriage to Coell Halbert. Mr. Halbert preceded her in death. On May 16, 1987, in Dexter, Missouri, she was then united in marriage to LeRoy Temples. Mr. Temples preceded her in death on December 23, 2019.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Brenda Halbert; by two granddaughters, Tina Eaker and Theresa Bentley; by three great-grandchildren, Dillon Eaker, Courtney Tew, and Collin Bentley; and by one great-great-grandson, Coell Tew.

Other than by her husbands and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Fred Halbert; by her brother, Jay DeJournett; and by her sister, Aleine DeJournett.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, March 1, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel 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 Mary Lou Northern

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In Memory of Mary Lou Northern

Mary Lou Northern, daughter of the late Thomas Pulliam and Evelyn Wyatt Pulliam, was born on February 9, 1944 in Doniphan, Missouri, and departed this life on February 24,

2021 at Southeast Health in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 77 years.

Mrs. Northern was a former babysitter in the Dexter area. She was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Dexter and a resident of Dexter.

On December 24, 1965, in Charleston, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Robert Eugene Northern. Mr. Northern preceded her in death on November 14, 1998.

She is survived by her son, Scott Northern and wife Robin of Dexter, Missouri; by her daughter, Michele Silvey and husband Ron of Joplin, Missouri; by three brothers, George Pulliam of Grayridge, Missouri, Daniel Pulliam of Essex, Missouri, and Virgil Pulliam of Wappapello, Missouri; by three sisters, Laura Heppe and Kay Etherton, both of Essex, Missouri, and Betty Lampkin of Arkansas; and by seven grandchildren, Joseph Northern of Columbia, Missouri, Rebekah Northern of Jackson, Wyoming, Andrew Northern of Columbia, Missouri, Mackinlee Rogers of Oxford, Mississippi, Blair Rogers of Columbia, Missouri, and Hannah Silvey and Sarah Silvey, both of Joplin, Missouri.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death her brother, James Pulliam; and by her sister, Ruth Teague.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, March 1, 2021 from 12:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Dale Jones officiating.

Interment will follow in the New Essex Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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## In Memory of Mildred Irene Hyslop

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### In Memory of Mildred Irene Hyslop

Mildred Irene Hyslop, 88, the daughter of the late Joe Ellis and Geneva Davenport Ellis Jarrell, was born May 28, 1932, in Dexter, Missouri, and died peacefully at her rural Bloomfield home on Tuesday, February 23, 2021, following a brief battle with cancer.

Mrs. Hyslop was a former seamstress for Elder Manufacturing, retiring after 40 years of service. She was a devoted member of Mt. Gilead Hills General Baptist Church.

She was united in marriage to James C. Hyslop on March 29, 1947, in Dexter, Missouri. He preceded her in death on May 28, 2003.

Along with her husband and parents, Mrs. Hyslop was preceded in death by one son, David Joseph Hyslop; a granddaughter, Christy Sunshine Hyslop; her stepfather, Cecil Jarrell; her sister, Velda Ott; and her half-sister, Eunice Ellis.

Survivors include two sons, Stephen (Kathryn) Hyslop of Dexter, Dennis (Susan) Hyslop of Bloomfield; her daughter-in-law, Kathy Hyslop; five grandchildren: Thomas Hyslop, Heather (Ray) Carrillo, Taylor Hyslop, Ryan (Rachael) Hyslop, Kasie (Josh) DeLay and Misti (Joe) Shuffler; ten great-grandchildren: Dusty Walker (Krystal), Peyton Holcomb, Colton Hyslop, Jayci Holcomb, Elise Hyslop, Jacob Hyslop, Sydney DeLay, Reid Hyslop, Will Shuffler, and Madie Shuffler; several nieces and nephews and many friends.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, February 26, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. with services to follow at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Rick Roberts and Rev. Steve Tippen officiating. Interment will follow in the Bloomfield Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Stoddard County Children's Home, PO Box 164, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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## In Memory of Robert Davis Sr

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FEBRUARY 25TH 2021 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Robert Eugene “Bob” Davis Sr., son of the late Homer and Vergie Davis, was born on September 21, 1931 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on February 23, 2021 at his home in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 89 years.

Mr. Davis graduated from Poplar Bluff Senior High School in 1949. He was a Veteran of the United States Air Force, serving from October 1950 until August 1954, and serving in the Korean War.

On December 25, 1951, he was united in marriage to Marna Rhea Gillespie, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Mrs. Davis preceded him in death on November 1, 2016.

Bob was a former officer with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, stationed in Dexter. Upon leaving the patrol, he returned to his first love of cars and became a car salesman for Taylor and Christian and the local Ford dealership. He worked for Bud Davis Chevrolet, then joined Chet Medler and bought out Bud Davis becoming Medler Davis Chevrolet in 1968; they sold the dealership in 1985. Bob then partnered with local businessmen in building the Dexter Inn, Charleston Inn, and Hickory House Inn.

Upon retirement from the motel, he concentrated on his golf game. He spent many hours working on his game, never a long ball hitter, it was always straight down the line.

He is survived by two daughters, Vicki (Bayless) Taylor and Donna (Michael) Backfisch, all of Dexter, by his sister, Betty Threlkeld; by five grandchildren, John (Lisa) Taylor of Dexter, Shannon (Jim Cochran) Taylor of Milan, New Hampshire, Michael (Rachel) Backfisch of Lewisville, North Carolina, Devonne Davis of St. Louis, Missouri, and Robbie Davis of Pacific, Missouri; by six great-grandchildren, Baylee (Austin) Decker, Rylee Taylor, Davis Backfisch, Dalton Backfisch, Calvi Cochran, and Londyn Gladney; by two great-great-grandchildren, Taylor Decker and Ryker Decker; and by his very special caregiver, Karen Robinson.

Other than by his wife, Marna, and parents, Homer and Vergie, he was preceded in death by his son, Rob Davis; by his sister, Irene Warren; by his brother, Ralph Davis; and by his brother-in-law, Donn Gillespie.

A memorial service and burial in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery will be planned for a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Bob and Rob Davis Memorial Fund, c/o First Midwest Bank, Dexter, Missouri 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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