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In Memory of Ellen Nadine Rogers

APRIL 27TH 2021 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Ellen Nadine Rogers

Ellen Nadine Rogers, age 78 of Essex, Missouri passed away April 24, 2021 at her sons home near Essex, Missouri. Ms. Rogers was born August 23, 1942, in Libourn, Missouri to the late Thurman Walter and Minnie Louella Houchin Graham. She lived in Blodgett, Morley area loved raising her kids and cooking for her family, and was of the Christian Faith.

Survivors include two daughters Joy Iliff of Morley, Missouri; Mamie Graham of Morley, Missouri; three sons Dale Graham, James Rogers both of Sikeston, Missouri Tommy Graham of Essex, Missouri; twenty one grandchildren; twenty three great grandchildren and 27 great great grandchildren; four brothers Albert Graham of Sikeston, T.W. Graham of Morley, Lawrence Graham and Donald Graham both of Sikeston, Missouri; six sisters Katherine Green of Sikeston, Frances Henson of Sikeston, Judy Reynolds of Piggott, Arkansas, Pauline Brock of Sikeston, Mary Pick of Millersville, and Dorothy Bradshaw of Sikeston, Missouri; and many friends and family also survive. She was preceded in death by two brother Clay and Dennis Graham.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday April 27, 2021 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri on

Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday April 28, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Watkins and Sons Funeral Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with Bro. T.W. Graham of Morley, Missouri officiating.

Interment will be in Mounds Park Cemetery in New Madrid, Missouri with Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter helping with the arrangements.

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In Memory of Gavin Michael Long

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In Memory of Gavin Michael Long

Gavin Michael Long, 16, was born on March 14, 2005, in Cape Girardeau, to Gabriel Michael and Ashley Nesselrodt Long, and passed away April 22, 2021.

He was the grandson of Troy and Kaki Long of Portageville and Robert Lynn Nesselrodt and Heidi Elizabeth Hunter of New Madrid.

Gavin was a 2019 graduate of Immaculate Conception Catholic School in New Madrid and member of Immaculate Conception Congregation. He was a sophomore at New Madrid County Central High School.

He was an avid fisherman, hunter, and golfer. He was a member of the New Madrid County Central Eagles Golf team, as well as a leader in the New Madrid County Central Eagles Pep Club, The Nest. He loved playing and singing with his guitar.

Gavin could light up a room with his infectious smile and witty personality. He loved to laugh and make others laugh. Gavin was never afraid to be unique, he was his own young man. His family and especially his friends will miss his wonderful spirit.

In addition to his parents and grand-parents, he is survived by one brother, Trey Moore, and many, many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church where a Rosary is scheduled for 8 p.m. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Immaculate Conception Church.

Burial will follow in Evergreen in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Delisle Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be: Cullen Pearson, Julian Courtois, Clay Cope, Jack Westcoat, Edwin Ling, Matt Riley, Simon Cooper and Ansel Underwood.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Immaculate Conception School, New Madrid or to Gavin Long Scholarship Fund.

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Terry Joe Childers, son of William Childers of Bernie, Missouri, and the late Mildred Cullum Childers, was born on August 30, 1960 in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on April 22, 2021 at his residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 60 years.

Mr. Childers worked in maintenance at WW Wood Products in Dudley, Missouri.

On July 13, 1979, in Bernie, Missouri, he was first united in marriage to Deanna Gay Minton. Mrs. Childers preceded him in death on December 24, 2016. He was then united in marriage to Sharon Burns on November 30, 2019, in Dexter, Missouri. Mrs. Childers survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife, Sharon, and his father, William, he is survived by three sons, James Childers (Sabrina) of Dexter, Missouri, Terry Childers Jr. (Ashley) of Ashland, Alabama, Gavin Childers (Toni) of Dexter, Missouri; by his daughter, Christina Woolard (Nick) of Naylor, Missouri; by his step-sons, Dusty Burns (Chassey) and Dalton Burns (Jessica), all of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, Danny Childers of Bernie, Missouri, and Larry Childers of Campbell, Missouri; by his sister, Lorie Reed of Bernie, Missouri; and by nineteen grandchildren.

Other than by his first wife and mother, he was preceded in death by his brother, Randy Childers.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, April 25, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Troy Sisk officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Betty Stoker Taylor

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In Memory of Betty Stoker Taylor

Betty Stoker Taylor, daughter of the late Charles Stoker and Iva Gilbreth Stoker, was born on April 26, 1941 in Clay County, Arkansas, and departed this life on April 21, 2021 at her residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 79 years.

Ms. Taylor was in the Naval Reserve for six years. She previously worked for Arvin Automotive in Dexter and she was a former cashier at Save-A-Lot in Dexter, and a former bartender at the Eagle's in Dexter. She enjoyed working in her flower bed and vegetable garden and working on counted cross stitch.

She is survived by her daughter, Candy Conner of Dexter, Missouri; by her brother Thomas Stoker of Bearden, Arkansas; and by her sister, Margarita Throgmartin of Bloomfield, Missouri.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Mitchell Conner, by two brothers, Roy Stoker and O'Dell Stoker, and by her sister, Dorothy Blunt.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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