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In Memory of Noah William "Bill" Parris

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In Memory of Noah William "Bill" Parris

Noah William "Bill" Parris, son of the late Paul Parris and Bessie Henson Parris, was born on January 26, 1942 in Crawfordsville, Arkansas, and departed this life on May 25, 2021 at his home in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 79 years.

Mr. Parris was a former mechanic.

He is survived by his son, Aaron Parris of Puxico, Missouri; by two daughters, Vickie Parris and Crystal Putnam, both of Dexter, Missouri; by his brother, Eddie Parris; and by six sisters, Tressy Ledford of Tennessee, Anita Lee of Bell City, Missouri, Carol Swallows of Dexter, Missouri, Mary Carter of Excelsior Springs, Missouri, Pauletta Fyffe of Deepwater, Missouri, and Kathy Bathon of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; and by seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Roger Parris.

Graveside services will be held at Dexter Cemetery on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Berniece Kincy McCarty

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In Memory of Berniece Kincy McCarty

Berniece Kincy McCarty, 104, passed away in Omaha, Nebraska, on May 23, 2021. She was born near Dexter, Missouri on October 17, 1916, to Howard Kincy and Ella Temples Kincy.

Berniece lived in, or near, Dexter for 96 years before moving to Omaha in 2012. While in Dexter, she worked 29 years at Elder's Manufacturing Company and attended the Dexter Church of Christ.

Besides her parents, Berniece was preceded in death by three brothers, Earl Kincy, Frank Kincy, and Aldon Kincy; and three sisters, Edna Bouse, Ruby Lambert, and Dorothy Gibson.

She is survived by one sister, Lucille Dowdy of Dexter, Missouri; a daughter, Beverly June Cose (Jerry) of Omaha, Nebraska; a son, Bill McCarty of Fort Worth, Texas; three grandchildren and step-grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 3, 2021, at the Hagy Cemetery in Dexter.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of James Dale "Jimmy" Myers

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In Memory of James Dale "Jimmy" Myers

James Dale "Jimmy" Myers, son of the late John Richard Myers and Ruby Burkes Myers, was born on December 21, 1949 in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on May 21, 2021 at his home in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 71 years.

Mr. Myers was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a welder by trade, and he loved to fish and hunt.

He is survived by his daughter, Tammy York of Jackson, by his brother Charles Myers and wife Barbara of Dexter, by two sisters, Ruth Morgan of Dexter, and Carolyn Davis of Bloomfield, and by four grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his only son, Alex Myers, by two brothers, John Myers and Marion "Bud" Myers, and by his sister, Dora Ann May.

A memorial service will be planned for a later date.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Carol Sue Horton LaRue

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In Memory of Carol Sue Horton LaRue

Carol Sue Horton LaRue, daughter of the late Chester Charles (Sonny) Horton and Dora Elizabeth (Babe) Jones, was born on January 3, 1943 in St. Louis and departed this life on May 20, 2021 at Sikeston Convalescent Center in Sikeston, Missouri, at the age of 78 years.

Mrs. LaRue was a 1961 graduate of Dexter High School and was active in drama and athletics. She was an Honors Student at the University of Missouri, graduating with a bachelor's degree in English in 1965. She taught in Sikeston and high school English and college prep classes in California, MO, with several students becoming successful attorneys and businesspeople.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Wayne LaRue of Dexter; her three sons, Brian Eric LaRue and his wife Lisa M. LaRue of Prosperity, SC, Mark Andrew LaRue and his wife Masja LaRue of Troy, IL, and John David LaRue and his wife Katina Marie Nordloh of Derwood, MD; by one brother, Boyce Alan Wooley and his wife Kay Wooley of Dexter; step-sister Pam Sparks and her husband Rick Sparks; step-brother Butch Kaufman; and four grandchildren, Kathryn Taylor LaRue, Rachel Elizabeth LaRue and her husband Zack Flathmann, Jacob Horton LaRue, and Jason Daniel LaRue; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Glen Edwin Wooley.

Mrs. LaRue was a proud wife and mother, and was very involved in the education of her children and supportive of their extracurricular activities. She was a lifelong Mizzou and St. Louis Cardinals fan and enjoyed traveling around the United States and to Europe. This included camping trips, beach vacations, and ancestry research excursions. An avid quilter, cook, and gardener, she took great pride in her recipe collection, rabbit collection, herb garden, and attracting butterflies and hummingbirds.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel at 12:00 p.m. with Rev. Ivan Mekan officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Stoddard County Children's Home, PO Box 164, Dexter, Missouri, 63841 or the Sikeston Convalescent Center, 103 Kennedy Drive, Sikeston, Missouri 63801.

Mathis Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Leta Lavera Hodge

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In Memory of Leta Lavera Hodge

Leta Lavera Hodge of Puxico, Missouri was born to the late Clarence and Verbra Browning on November 26, 1937 in Asherville, Missouri and passed away on May 22, 2021 in Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Leta had been a resident of Puxico, Missouri all her life. She was a member of the Puxico General Baptist Church.

Leta married the love of her life Ray Dean Hodge on November 13, 1954 in Puxico, Missouri. Ray Dean preceded her in death on December 29, 2020.

Surviving her are one son Terry (Ruth Ann) Hodge of Puxico, Missouri; two grandsons Danny (Tracy) Taylor, of Advance, Missouri; Rob (Faith) Taylor of Sikeston, Missouri; four great grandchildren and, Trevin and (Taylor) Taylor of Advance, Missouri, Samantha (Clay) Dover of Bell City, Missouri, Jacob and Joel Taylor both of Puxico, Missouri; three great great grandchildren; one niece Patsy (Rick) Sipe of Pontiac, Michigan, and nephew Dannie (Patsy) Hodge of Bernie, Missouri. Leta was preceded in death by one brother Louis LaRue Browing. A host of family and friends also survive.

Visitation will be held on Monday May 24, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Puxico.

Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday May 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Kenneth Lambert of Bloomfield, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow in the Puxico City Cemetery with Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Puxico in charge of arrangements.

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