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In Memory of Floyd Edwards

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2021 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Floyd Edwards

Floyd Edwards, son of the late Earnest Edwards and Mable Jarrells Edwards was born on June 1, 1932 in Dexter, MO and departed this life on September 11, 2021 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter at the age of 89 years.

Floyd loved being outdoors. He enjoyed showing his antique tractors, riding horses, and hunting. He was member of the Missouri State Racking Association, Dexter Saddle Club, and Mingo Tractor Club. He was also a member of the New Bethel Church. Floyd was a hard worker, he was employed by; Keener Gravel Co., Phillips 66, O.C. Stewart, and New Madrid County Highway Department before he retired. During his retirement he and Phyliss loved to travel and enjoyed time with their family.

He married the love of his life Phyllis Ann Green in Dexter on July 22, 1955. They were married 66 years.

He is survived by three daughters, Vida Edwards of Bloomfield, Shelley McClintock and husband Brian of Dexter, and Amy Asher and husband Jeremy of Bernie; by his son, Kent Edwards and wife Desiree of Dexter; by seven grandchildren, Keith Edwards and wife Christy of Dexter, Amanda Edwards of Bernie, Mark McClintock and fiancé Ashley of Dexter, Andrew Edwards of Dexter, Sara Owens and husband Chad of Bernie, Dalton Leach of Farmington, Jerica Goodman of Bloomfield; by twelve great grandchildren, Emily Hester, Abby Powell, Laney Edwards, Gunner Powell, Eyan McClintock, Wyatt Powell, Paisley Owens, Ryder Edwards, Emery McClintock, Kensley Edwards, Ely McClintock and Charley Owens.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Lloyd Edwards, Alfred Edwards, Junior Edwards; his sister, Opal Stickles.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, September 13, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Kenneth Lambert officiating.

Interment will follow in the Sadler Chapel Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of David Robertson

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In Memory of David Robertson

David Robertson, son of the late Jim Robertson and Loretta Lambert Robertson was born on October 6, 1961 in Sikeston, Missouri and departed this life on September 10, 2021 at Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County at the age of 59 years.

David was the former Forman at Cott Beverages in Sikeston, Missouri and attended St. Joe Baptist Church throughout his life.

On July 19, 1986 in Dexter, Missouri he was united in marriage to Ruth Moore. She survives of their home in Dexter.

Other than his wife, Ruth he is survived by son, Will Robertson and wife Holly of O' Fallon Illinois; daughter Destiny Robertson of Jonesboro, Arkansas; brothers, Kenneth Robertson and wife Janice of Cape Girardeau, Ronald Robertson and wife Nancy of Cape Girardeau and Donald Robertson and wife Nancy of Gordonville, Missouri.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, September 13, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Kenneth Roy Woody

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In Memory of Kenneth Roy Woody

On Wednesday September 8th, 2021, Kenneth Roy Woody gained his heavenly reward at the age of 92. He was lovingly surrounded by his family at his home in Russellville, Arkansas. He was a lifelong member of the United Pentecostal Church.

Kenneth was born May 23, 1929, in Onia, Arkansas (Stone County) to Benjamin and Edna (Martin) Woody. After courting for three years, on August 11, 1949, in Truman Arkansas, he married Dotsie Vandergriff. She has been his lifetime sweetheart and constant companion. She resides of the home.

He is also survived by his three children, Alan (Barbara) Woody of Venice, Florida, Donna (Robert) Hamby of Russellville, Arkansas, and Brenda Barber of Russellville, Arkansas; five grandchildren, Melanie (Brandon) Callicott, Meagan (Steven) Minniear, Tarah Evans, Leah (Ian) Glidewell, and Wendy Brown; ten great-grandchildren, Emily Callicott, Trace Minniear, Rhett Minniear, Grace (Davis) Roden, Nathanael Evans, Isaac Evans, Catherine Evans, Josiah Barber, Abigail Birmingham, Natasha Brown; and great-great grandsons, Shepherd Evans Jayroe and Layton Brown.

He is also survived by his sister, Bonnie Browning of Hot Springs, Arkansas, whom he loved and treasured, as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

He is preceded in death by his infant son, Jeffrey Scott Woody; his parents, three brothers, six sisters, son-in-law, Terry Barber; and grandson, Randy Evans.

Kenneth, or Woody, as he was called by some, was a long-time resident of Dexter, Missouri, and employee of Foushee Candy Company. In 1959, he moved his family from Rockford, Illinois to work with his best friend, Keith Foushee and his brothers at their start-up company. Through the years he became Sales Manager, and later Warehouse Manager. He was respected and loved by all he worked with.

After retiring, he and his wife moved to Temple, Texas to be close to family. In 1995, they followed their children and grandchildren to El Dorado, Arkansas. During this time

they loved to visit their son and daughter-in- law in Florida, eating fresh seafood, picking oranges from their backyard and being treated like royalty. When his health began to fail, he moved to Russellville, Arkansas.

Kenneth Woody was a wonderful man who loved the Lord and His Word, his family, friends, and souls with all his heart. He was an excellent guitar player, singer, and song writer. He was loved by all who knew him and will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri on Saturday, September 11, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, September 11, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. with Rev. Keith Parris and Rev. Gary Andrews officiating. Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Junior Lee Tucker

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In Memory of Junior Lee Tucker

Junior Lee Tucker, son of the late Thomas and Louise Stevens Tucker was born on February 17, 1952, in Bernie, Missouri and departed this life on September 7, 2021, at his residence in rural Dexter, Missouri at the age of 69.

Mr. Tucker was a farmer, and he enjoyed his work. He also enjoyed playing Bingo.

He is survived by three sons, Jeven Tucker of Bernie, Missouri, Jacob Tucker of Clarkton, Missouri and Ce Jay Tucker of Dexter, Missouri; by two daughters, April Ellis of Dexter, Missouri and Didi Frazier of Bernie, Missouri; by his significant other, Cynthia Ladd of Dexter, Missouri; by one step-son, Jonathan Eggert of Dexter, Missouri; by one sister, Linda Price of Bernie, Missouri and by twelve grandchildren, Austin Ellis, Autumn Davison, Jonah Tucker, Jackson Tucker, Trinity Tucker, Adrianna Tucker, Celina Corzine, Hunter Corzine, Brody Frazier, Grayson Frazier, Adalyn Frazier and Jace Tucker.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by one granddaughter in infancy, Avalyn Frazier; by one brother, Dale Tucker and by two sisters, Carolyn Eggert and Shirley Faye Tucker.

A memorial service is being planned for a later date.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Crystal Kester Whitney

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In Memory of Crystal Kester Whitney

Crystal Kester Whitney, 39, of Horn Lake, Mississippi (formerly of Bernie, Missouri) passed away September 2, 2021 at Baptist DeSoto Hospital in Southaven, Mississippi.

She was born on May 13, 1982 and had previously worked as a dispatcher for the City of Hernando Police Department and the DeSoto County Sheriff's Department.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Whitney, her son, Kannon Whitney, her daughter Kenadie Simmons all of Horn Lake, Mississippi. Her daughter Kaitlynne Raymond of Hernando, Mississippi and her son, Jayden Whitney of Oakland, Tennessee.

She is also survived by her father John Kester and brothers, Terry and Phillip Kester all from Bernie, Missouri.

There will be a visitation beginning at 1:00 p.m. and a Celebration of Life Memorial Service beginning at 2 p.m. on Saturday, September 11, at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Dexter, Missouri.

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