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# In Memory of Maxine G. Harper

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Maxine G. Harper, daughter of the late Ethel Smithson Guilliams and Marvin Guilliams, was born on January 3, 1933, in Gatewood, Missouri, and departed this life on March 25, 2022, at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, at the age of 89 years.

Mrs. Harper was a former employee of the Missouri Department of Family Services and the Stoddard County Sheriff's Office. She was a member of the Bloomfield Church of Christ and the AMVETS Auxiliary, and she was a resident of Bloomfield, Missouri. Mackie enjoyed playing golf and bridge. Mackie and Don spent several years going to Current River to the cabin they built and loved.

On September 30, 1950, in Piggott, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to Don Harper. Mr. Harper preceded her in death on November 6, 2015.

She is survived by her son, "Rip" Harper and wife Karen of Dexter, Missouri; by her daughter, Melissa Bowie of Dudley, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Ben Harper Bowie and wife Jennifer, Amy Marie Briggs and husband Adam, Theron A. Harper, and Beth Fowler and husband Billy; and by three great-grandchildren, RJ Bowie, Theo Briggs, and Gracyn Fowler.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son-in-law, Richard Bowie; by six brothers, Edward Guilliams, Barney Guilliams, Jerry Guilliams, Walter Guilliams, Lonnie Guilliams, and Donnie Guilliams; and by her sister, Marvine Joplin.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, March 27, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Sunday, March 27, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Monday, March 28, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.

Memorials may be made to the Stoddard County Children's Home, PO Box 164, Dexter, Missouri 63841 or the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery, 17357 Stars and Stripes Way, Bloomfield, Missouri 63825.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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