#### **Obituaries**



## In Memory of Janie Battles

JUNE 28TH 2022 BY DEE LOFLIN

#### In Memory of Janie Battles

Janie Battles, daughter of the late Clarence Renfro and Lula Mae White Renfro, was born on January 10, 1948, in Caraway, Arkansas, and departed this life on June 23, 2022, at her residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 74 years.

Mrs. Battles was the first female police officer for Blytheville, Arkansas, and the former city collector for Blytheville. She was of the Christian faith, enjoyed quilting and reading her bible.

She was united in marriage to Richard Battles. Mr. Battles preceded her in death on January 24, 1986.

She is survived by two sons, Curtis Scott Crawford and wife Christina of Dexter, Missouri and Clayton Jay Crawford of Dexter, Missouri; by her daughter, Ashley LeAnne Boham and husband Johnny of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, Jack Renfro of Dallas, Texas and Lamar Renfro of Steele, Missouri; by her granddaughter, Brittany Aldridge of Blytheville, Arkansas; by her grandson, Christian Crawford of Dexter, Missouri; by her great-granddaughter, Leah Grace Martinez of Blytheville, Arkansas; and by her great-grandson, Brayden Crawford of Blytheville, Arkansas.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one brother and seven sisters.

A memorial service will be planned at a later date.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Larry T. Tilley

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In Memory of Larry T. Tilley

Larry T. Tilley, son of the late John Henry Tilley and Vevie Drye Tilley was born on March 18, 1950, in Sherrill, Arkansas and departed this life on June 24, 2022, at the Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri at the age of 72.

Mr. Tilley was a truck driver and a mechanic. He was a "gear head", and always had his head under the hood of anything on wheels. He loved stock cars and race cars.

On January 9, 1971, he was united in marriage to Carol Hoss in Idalia, Missouri. Mrs. Tilley survives of their residence in Essex.

Other than by his wife, Carol, he is survived by two sons, Larry Tilley Jr. and wife Brittany of Essex, Missouri, and Ronnie Tilley and wife Carla of Dexter, Missouri; by two brothers, J.W. Tilley of Bloomfield, Missouri and Kenneth Tilley of Van Buren, Missouri; by two sisters, Katherine Hopkins of Bloomfield, Missouri and Gale Bess of Dexter, Missouri; by seven grandchildren, Nickol Fowler and husband Greg, Preston Tilley and wife Aleigha, Jordan Tilley, Teresa Kinders and husband Casey, Hudson Tilley, Parker Tilley and Barrett Tilley; and by two great-grandchildren, Callie Fowler and Leo Tilley.

Other then by his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, David Tilley; by six brothers, Dale Tilley, William Merrick, Carl "Pete" Tilley, Charles "Tinker" Tilley, Robert Tilley and Gerald "Shorty" Tilley; and by four sisters, Maxine Robey, Floy Jean Robey, Lula Jackson and Lenora Bost.

Visitation will be conducted on Monday, June 27, 2022, from Noon until 2:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel with Pastor Tim Russell officiating.

Interment will follow at the New Essex Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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### In Memory of Phillip Lee Cullum

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#### In Memory of Phillip Lee Cullum

Phillip Lee Cullum, son of Edna Jameson McIntire and the late Shirley Lee Cullum, was born on September 4, 1966, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on June 22, 2022, at Dexter Living Center in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 55 years.

Mr. Cullum was a former employee of Havco Wood Products in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and was a resident of Cape Girardeau. He enjoyed working.

He is survived by his mother, Edna McIntire of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by his brother, Forrest Dewayne Cullum of Scott City, Missouri; by his sister, Carla Ann Davis of Springfield, Missouri; by his nephew, Logan Cullum; by his niece, Heather Cullum; by two special cousins, David Green, and Joy Green both of Dexter, Missouri; and by several aunts, uncles, extended family, and friends.

No services are currently planned.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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## In Memory of Raymond Dean Morse

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#### In Memory of Raymond Dean Morse

Raymond Dean Morse of Bloomfield Missouri, son of Rosie Morse and stepson of Harvey Morse was born on May 13, 1957. Raymond passed away and left this world to be with Jesus on June 22, 2022 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 65.

He lived in the Dexter/ Bloomfield area all of his life. Raymond was active in several churches. His passion was to witness and sing for Jesus.

Raymond had been a truck mechanic for the last 25 years.

Raymond married Debra Lynne Robbins on May 4, 1985 in Dexter, Missouri. Raymond is survived by his wife Debra Morse of the home; his stepdaughter Deanna Christian of Dexter, Missouri; two granddaughters Candace (Justin) McCollough; Lindsay Christian; two grandsons Aaron Christian; Dalton Christian; eight greatgrandchildren Hunter McCollough; Nolan McCollough; Hayden Christian; Dalton Christian; Lindsay Christian; Kendall, Callie and Blakeley as well as a host of family and friends also survive.

Visitation will be held on Saturday June 25, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday June 25, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri with Pastor Shawn Green of Sturdivant

officiating.

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## In Memory of Gene Cobb

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In Memory of Gene Cobb

Gene Cobb, son of the late Clarence Cobb and Nancy Lyons Cobb, was born on April 14, 1946, in Corning, Arkansas, and departed this life on June 22, 2022, at Winchester Nursing Center in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Mr. Cobb was a former employee of Brown Shoe Company in Bernie, Missouri.

He is survived by two daughters, Nora Lang of Scott City, Missouri and Susan Miller of Advance, Missouri; by his step-son, Roy Rickman of Bernie, Missouri; by his step-daughter, Sharon Meadows of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by two brothers, Joe Cobb of Bernie, Missouri and Jerry Cobb of Malden, Missouri; by two sisters, Vernell Ross of Malden, Missouri and Bonnie Sue Fouse of Hoopeston, Illinois; and by twelve grandchildren; Krendy DeJournett, Travis DeJournett, Sarah Lang, Austin Miller, Ethan Miller, Kade Miller, Gena Meadows, Staci Snider, Kelli Underwood, Mandy Meppiel, Samantha Collins, and Joe Baxter.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his step-son, Joe Baxter; by his step-daughter, Ramona Stockton; by three brothers, Vonda Cobb, Leon Cobb, and Willie Cobb; and by his sister, Wretha Minton.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Friday, June 24, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, June 25, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Interment will follow at a later date in the Bernie Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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