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In Memory of Don Cummins

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DON E. CUMMINS, age 86, formerly of Bertrand, died Saturday, June 25, 2022, at the Missouri Veterans Home in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Don was born September 16, 1935 in Cordell, OK to Elmer and Nettie Belle Bruner Cummins. He served in the US Marines during the Korean Conflict.

On May 18, 1956 he married Patricia J. Haws who preceded him in death on October 25, 1991. They lived in Griffith, IN where he worked at Youngstown Steel Mill. He lived in Southeast Missouri the remaining part of his life, moving to Bertrand in 1971 where he started Cummins Construction Company. After his retirement, he dedicated his time to improving his skills as a hunter, fisherman and golfer.

Surviving are his children, Mark (Marcia) Cummins of Punta Gorda, FL and Melanie (Bob) Wissore on Marquand; also five grandchildren, Joshua Cummins, Jason Cummins, Heather Wissore Di Stafano, Heidi Wissore Grippo, and Abigail Wissore Moyer; seven great-grandchildren; and one sister, Vela Faye (J.E.) Ray of Bertrand. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death was a sister, Hiwana Hicks; and two brothers, JT and JW Cummins.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 in the McMikle Funeral Home in Charleston from 12:00 pm until the Funeral hour at 1:00 pm. Jim Davis, Chaplain with Legacy Hospice will officiate.

Military Graveside Rites will be conducted at the IOOF Cemetery followed by interment under the direction of McMikle Funeral Home of Charleston.

Pallbearers will be Ryan Moyer, Kevin Ray, Ben Ray, Randy Fain, Kelly Butler and Tim Martin.

Memorial Contributions may be given to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601.

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Stanley John Litviak, son of the late Anthony Litviak and Genevieve (Glinski) Litviak, was born on January 11, 1950, in Doniphan, Missouri, and departed this life on June 25, 2022, at his residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 72 years.

Mr. Litviak was a former farm hand for CH Parsons and a former sawmill employee. He was of the Catholic faith. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, being outdoors, and visiting with people.

On August 25, 1973, in Doniphan, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Kathryn Stevens. Mrs. Litviak preceded him in death on July 7, 1997.

He is survived by three nephews, Steve Litviak of Metamora, Illinois, Mike Litviak of Hillsboro, Missouri, and James Wilson of Doniphan, Missouri; by four nieces, Liz Schroeder of Grandin, Missouri, Amy Palmer of Oak Ridge, Missouri, Theresa Blackburn of Aurora, Missouri, and Patricia Limbaugh of Grandin, Missouri; by several great nieces and nephews; and by his beloved dog, Freddie.

Other than by his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Tony Litviak; and by his sister, Gloria Wilson.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, July 1, 2022, from 2:00 p.m. until 2:45 p.m.

Graveside services will then be conducted on Friday, July 1, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at Walker Cemetery in rural Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Janie Battles

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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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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 than 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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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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