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In Memory of Gayle Rodgers

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In Memory of Gayle Rodgers

Gayle Rodgers, a Christian has gone to her heavenly home to live with her Savior and God at the age of 82 years.

In June 1940, Carl and Mildred Cecil welcomed Gayle, the first of ten children to their family. Gayle was a young teenager in April 1956, when she wed Bobby Rodgers. They celebrated 57 years of marriage until his passing in 2013. Together, they loved and cared for their children: Judy, Jeff and Misty.

Gayle adored babies and was a loving, active grandmother to LaDawn, Laticia, Ashton, Brittney, Bryce, Carley and Kynlee.

She has been a caring great-grandmother to Macayla, Blair, Lane, Brynlee, Luke, Liam, Baylor and Blakely, and in her heart cherished a 5th grandchild, Anthony, who passed at birth.

After the loss of her parents, Gayle took on the role of Matriarch to her siblings: Larry, Duke, Linda, Sheryl, Joe, David Frank, Mike and their respective children by happily making her home a gathering place for Sunday lunches, holiday dinners, and cookouts by the swimming pool for everyone who dropped by to visit.

Gayle helped provide for her family as an employee of Brown Shoe Company for over 20 years, and then operating a home decorating business from 1980 until her retirement in 2007.

Over her lifetime, many friends and family received an afghan or baby blanket from Gayle, as she was always busy crocheting any time she sat still. Her kitchen cabinets were running over with her favorite reading material – cookbooks, and Gayle's stovetop and dining room table were spread with her greatest talent - delicious home-cooked food. She also enjoyed planting beautiful flowers each spring, listening to Neil Diamond music, and ending the day with a romance novel, which lay on her bedside table.

She will be fondly missed and remembered by her family, friends, neighbors, and church family.

Visitation will be held at the Bernie Church of Christ on Monday, October 3, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted at the Bernie Church of Christ on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. with Stan Dauck officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Bobby Rodgers' Memorial Scholarship, c/o Rhonda Shipman, 516 W Main Ave, Bernie, Missouri 63822 or to the Children's Homes Inc, 5515 Walcott Road, Paragould, AR 72450-3319.

Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Cynthia Marie Ward-O'Neal

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In Memory of Cynthia Marie Ward-O'Neal

Cynthia Marie Ward-O'Neal, daughter of Roy Ward and Rachel Williams Ward, was born on March 27, 1971 in St. Louis, Missouri. She departed this life on September 29, 2022 at the age of 51 years old.

Cyndi led a full and adventurous life. She enjoyed taking trips to Las Vegas, Disney World, and camping trips with her kids. She loved spending time with her kids, family, grand-pups, and her dog-Sadie. She enjoyed cooking for her family, and she would make the best meatloaf and homemade chocolate chip cookies. She was always there for everyone. If you needed something or just needed company she would be the first person there.

Cyndi loved to make people laugh by either telling a funny joke or showing her favorite TikTok videos. She was also very witty and would have the best come-backs, especially during margarita nights. Nights having a jumbo (or 2...) frozen strawberry/mango margarita surrounded by her family were her favorite.

Cyndi was a wonderful mother, sister, daughter, friend, and dog-grandma. She will be terribly missed.

She is survived by her parents, Roy and Rachel Ward of Bloomfield; by her son, Kurtis O'Neal and daughter-in-law Hannah O'Neal of Bloomfield; by her daughter, Emily Glueck and son-in-law Zach Glueck of Bloomfield; by two sisters, Kristin Miller of Bloomfield and Laura Dumey of Dexter; and by four four-legged grandchildren: Annie, Simon, Thelma, and Louise.

Graveside services will the held at Gravel Hill Cemetery in rural Bloomfield on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Henry Anderson Clubbs

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In Memory of Henry Anderson Clubbs

Henry Anderson Clubbs, son of the late John Clubbs and Marie Honey Clubbs, was born on September 19, 1954, in Como, Missouri, and departed this life on September 28, 2022, at his residence in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 68 years.

Mr. Clubbs was the owner of a lawn care service. He was a member of the United Pentecostal Church in Malden, Missouri. He was a simple man.

In 1974, he was united in marriage to Marsha Parks. Mrs. Clubbs survives of the home in Bernie.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sons, Chris Clubbs and wife Sarah of Bernie, Missouri, Larry Clubbs of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Dylan Clubbs of Bernie, Missouri; by two brothers, John D. Clubbs of Doniphan, Missouri, and Robert Clubbs of

Jackson, Missouri; by four sisters, Martha Anderson of Clarkton, Missouri, Betty Lovett of Piggott, Arkansas, Joyce Holifield of Piggott Arkansas, and Wanda McCarthy of Malden, Missouri; and by his granddaughter, Sophie Layne Clubbs.

No services are currently planned.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Alan Penick

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Alan Penick, son of the late David Penick and Lorene Pyle Penick, was born on June 18, 1939, in Malden, Missouri, and departed this life on September 27, 2022, at Winchester Nursing Center in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 83 years.

Mr. Penick was a former employee of Sikeston Truss in Sikeston, Missouri, and a resident of Dexter, Missouri.

He is survived by his son, Randy Penick of Dexter, Missouri; by his special friend, Wanda Truax of Dexter, Missouri; and by his nephew, Chip Taylor of Muncie, Indiana.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Benny Penick, by his grandson, Joshua Penick, and by his sister, Norma Dawson.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, September 30, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, September 30, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Venoy Dean Pry

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In Memory of Venoy Dean Pry

Venoy Dean Pry, 89, of Dexter, passed away September 26, 2022 at the Puxico Nursing Center in Puxico, MO. He was born November 20, 1932 in Bloomfield, MO, the son of Prentice and Ella Abernathy Pry.

Dean was a 1953 graduate of Bell City High School. He had worked at Elder Manufacturing Company in Bloomfield and Stovalls Department Store in Dexter. Dean later worked as an independent contractor doing carpentry work until his retirement.

Dean was a great man of faith and attended the United Pentecostal Church.

Dean and Geneva Phillips were united in marriage on February 21, 1953 and she preceded him in death on March 30, 2008. He later married Delphin McDowell Ivy on February 3, 2009.

Survivors include: his wife, Delphi Pry of Mt. Vernon, IL three brothers, Dewey (Janet) Pry of Dexter, Harry (Dorothy) Pry of Cape Girardeau and James (Debbie) Pry of Chapel Hill, NC two sisters, Velva (John) Latham of Cape Girardeau and Melba (Keith) Hancock of Puxico and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Friday September 30, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Morgan Funeral Chapel in Advance. A funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m. at the chapel. Burial will follow at Morgan Memorial Park in Advance.

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