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In Memory of Dennis Ransom (Denny) Cullum

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In Memory of Dennis Ransom (Denny) Cullum

Dennis Ransom (Denny) Cullum 73 of Wappapello, Missouri, passed from this life Sunday, October 23, 2022, at Mercy Hospital in Festus Missouri.

The son of the late Hubert Q. and Aline (Platter) Cullum, was born June 25, 1949, in St Louis, Missouri.

He attended the Little Brushy Church in Wappapello. He was very much a people person who never met a stranger. He voluntered at the Wappapello Nutrition Center serving many meals, drove a church bus for a while, loved to swim and spend time with family. Dennis was a very generous and giving person to anyone and everyone he met.

He leaves behind two daughters, Kimberly (Sam) Merritt of Arnold, Missouri, Erenne (Phil) Wolford of Springfield, Missouri; three grandchildren, Sam (Katie) Meritt, Sarah (Nick) Merritt and Alivia Wolford; two great grandchildren, Sydney Merritt and Aiden Hertel as well as a host of family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother James Cullum and a close personal friend Jan Hicks.

Visitation will be held Thursday, October 27, 2022, 11:00 A.M. till 1:00 P.M. with funeral service to follow at 1:00 at Watkins And Sons Funeral Chapel in Puxico, Missouri with Pastor Charlie Robertson of Bloomfield, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow at the Little Brushy Cemetery in Wappapello, Missouri with Watkins And Sons Funeral in charge of arrangements.

Watkins and Sons Funeral Service

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In Memory of Eva Nell Zimmerman

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In Memory of Eva Nell Zimmerman

Eva Nell Zimmerman, daughter of the late Robert Floyd Allen and Nellie Mae Green Allen, was born in Lexington, Alabama on October 12, 1928 and departed this life at The Arbors at Heritage Place in Lexington, Tennessee on October 25, 2022 at the age of 94.

Mrs. Zimmerman was a homemaker and a member of Sunnyvale General Baptist Church in Rural Malden, Missouri.

She was united in marriage to Harold Junior Zimmerman in Malden, Missouri on April 3, 1946. Mr. Zimmerman preceded his wife in death on May 19, 2015

Survivors include two sons, Harold Dewayne Zimmerman & wife Alma of Lexington, Tennessee and Lanny Bruce Zimmerman & wife Casey of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by one daughter, Janice Annette Fadler & husband Gerald of Bernie, Missouri; by one brother, Roger Allen & wife Grace of Morton, Illinois; by ten grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, thirty three great-grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband, by three brothers, Neal Allen, Gene Allen and Kenneth Allen; by two sisters, Edron Wilson and Lillian Swafford.

Friends may call at Sunnyvale General Baptist Church, 40273 State Highway MM, Malden, Missouri on Friday, October 28, 2022 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:00 P.M. in the Sunnyvale Chapel with Rev. James Hamlett officiating.

Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery, Bernie, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Verna E. Mesey

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In Memory of Verna E. Mesey

Verna E. Mesey, daughter of the late Daniel A. Knurbein and Gladys Witthaus Knurbein was born on March 7, 1935 in Berger, Missouri and departed this life on October 22, 2022 at the Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter at the age of 87.

Mrs. Mesey retired from Purolator and was a resident of Dexter. She enjoyed gardening, going to yard-sales and spending time with her family.

She is survived by two sons, Keith L. Mesey and wife Kimberly, and Russell D. Mesey and wife Jeanee; by eight grandchildren, Thomas A. Mesey, Brandon Mesey, Robin Mesey, Shawn Mesey, Shelsie Mesey, Cammeron Mesey, Madison Mesey and Sydney Fingers; by six great-grandchildren, Emma K. Mesey, Shawn Mesey Jr., Owen Konnon, Graceline Declue, Parker Mesey and Silas Bobbit; by one sister in law, Janet Knurbein; by two sisters, Barbara Struckhoff and husband Wayne and Sharon Day.

Other than by her parents she was preceded in death by her son, Scott A. Mesey; by three brothers, Ralph Knurbein, Elmer Knurbein and Kenny Knurbein; by two sisters, Olivia Poeppelmeier and Ruth Schatzler; by two sister in laws, Juanita Knurbein and Jerry Knurbein; and by three brother in laws, Wesley Knehans, Garland Poeppelmeier, and John Schatzler.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at the Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

Interment will follow in the Hagy Cemetery in Dexter.

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In Memory of Margery "Bobbie" Becking

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In Memory of Margery

Margery "Bobbie" Becking was born in the family home September 14, 1926 to Pansy and Walter Miller. She lived most of her life in Bernie, Missouri.

After graduating Bernie High School at the age of 16, Bobbie Attended Southeast Missouri State for a short time before returning to Bernie to teach 1st through 4th grades at Brady School.

In 1946 Bobbie married John Becking. They were married for 65 years before his death in May of 2011. In addition to raising three children and helping on the farm, Bobbie worked at Brown Shoe Company, Sears Roebuck, MFA and the Bernie bank. Bobbie had a gift of nurturing; she loved to watch little sprouts grow, both plant and human. She also had the gift of hospitality and cooked countless meals for family and friends as well as the sick and grieving. She was an avid reader, gardener and seamstress.

Bobbie was also active in her community and church through the years participating in 4-H, The Tuesday Club, WMU and teaching Sunday School. At the time of her death she was a member of the Bernie United Methodist Church.

Bobbie was a friend and mentor to many in her life. In addition to the friends she leaves behind, Bobbie is survived by her three children, Jeannie Burchell & husband Dennis of Piggott, Arkansas; Barry Becking of Dumas, Arkansas; Judith Hargett & husband Steve of Jackson, Missouri; by five grandchildren, Beth Scott of Piggott, Arkansas, Lori Hartwig of Paragould, Arkansas, Jason Becking & wife Kim of Columbia, Missouri, Eric Becking & wife Tina of Cape Girardeau, Missouri and Jonathan Becking & wife Katherine of Cordova, Tennessee. She is also survived by eleven great-grandchildren, 4 great-great grandchildren and her devoted sister, Patricia Rushing, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband, by three siblings, Vada McClard, Dacey Miller and infant brother, Dawsey Miller.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 from 10:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M.

Funeral Services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie at 11:00 A.M. Rev. Susan Marner-Sides and Rev. Jayne Markin officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri at 12:00 P.M.

Memorials may be made to: Bernie United Methodist Church and the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery

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In Memory of Joyce A. Ogelvie

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Joyce A. Ogelvie, daughter of the late Edgar Sylvester Campbell and Icel Lee Campbell, was born on April 20, 1943, in St. Louis, Missouri, and departed this life on October 23, 2022, at Oakdale Care Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, at the age of 79 years.

Mrs. Ogelvie was a former employee of Town and Country in Dexter, Missouri. She was a member of Sugar Tree General Baptist Church in Bernie and a resident of Dexter.

On June 18, 1961, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Ralph E. Ogelvie. Mr. Ogelvie preceded her in death on July 15, 2016.

She is survived by three sons, Dewayne Ogelvie (Marla) of Costa Mesa, California, Earnest Ogelvie of Dexter, Missouri, and Mark Ogelvie (Pamela) of Dexter, Missouri; by three daughters, Kimberly Smith of Desoto, Missouri, Gayla Ogelvie of Broseley, Missouri, and Michelle Ogelvie of Rolla, Missouri; by her sister, Bonnie Campbell of Dexter, Missouri; by ten grandchildren, Jennifer Hankins (Scott), Ashley Holloway (Alex), Joshua Martinez, Hannah Robison (Thomas), Aimee Tillman (Laramey), Nathan Smith, Jared Metcalf (Aubrie), Hailey Strickler (Brandon), Erin Purcell, and Davis Purcell; and by eleven great-grandchildren.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Lisa Bradford; by her great-granddaughter, Everly-Rose Hankins; and by two sons-in-law, Greg Bradford and Delbert Smith.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.

Interment will follow in the Smith Stevenson Cemetery in rural Dexter, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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