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In Memory of Monica Beth Harmon

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In Memory of Monica Beth Harmon

Monica Beth Harmon of Advance, Missouri, born to Glen Dale and Martha Jane (McLean) Harmon on December 2, 1963, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, passed from this life on October 31, 2022, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 58.

Monica has lived all of her life in the Southeast Missouri area. She did love to travel with her parents and had the opportunity to see all of the United States except for Oregon and Washington. She loved to cook, spend time with her family especially outdoors. She also enjoyed her career and working with her co-workers as a purchasing agent for the communication industry. She was a member of Brown Baptist Church.

She leaves behind her parents of Puxico; Johnny and Lou Ann Placher of Puxico; several cousins; Pam, Bob, Ryan and Samantha Harmon; Gary and Theresa Harmon and family of Arnold, Missouri; Jeff and Terry Harmon of Puxico; Terry, Mike and Donna Harmon; Sherry Newton of Oregon; Lori and Dewayne Hancock and family; Eric and Terry Placher and family of Daphane, Alabama; A close personal friend Chris as well as a host of family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents Ewin and Dora Harmon; and her maternal grandparents Woodrow and Ruth McLean.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2022, from 10:00 A.M. till 11:00 A.M. at the Brown Baptist Church near Puxico, Missouri, with funeral service to follow with Pastor Chuck Clark of Steele, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow at the Brown Cemetery in Puxico, Missouri, with Watkins And Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Southeast Foundation 1849 Broadway, Cape Girardeau, Missouri in memory of Monica Harmon Swindle.

Watkins and Sons Funeral Service

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In Memory of Michael Andrew Fritts

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In Memory of Michael Andrew Fritts

Michael Andrew Fritts, son of the late Dorothy Fritts, was born on November 28, 1950, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on October 28, 2022, at St. Clare Hospital in

Fenton, Missouri, at the age of 71 years.

Mr. Fritts was a Veteran of the United States Army, serving in Vietnam. He was a former mechanic, carpenter, and machinist. He attended First Baptist Church in Bernie, Missouri and was a resident of Bernie. He was a life member of the Veterans of the Vietnam War, Vietnam Veterans of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and Disabled American Veterans.

He is survived by his brother, Richard Fritts and wife Emma of Graniteville, South Carolina.

Other than by his mother, he was preceded in death by one sister in infancy.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Thursday, November 3, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Gary Gilbert and Rev. Ivan Mekan officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery with Full Military Honors.

Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Patricia "Elaine" Brown

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In Memory of Patricia "Elaine" Brown

Patricia "Elaine" Brown, daughter of the late Hershel Palmer and Mary-Rita Murphy Palmer, was born on September 8, 1940, in Bernie, Missouri, and departed this life on October 30, 2022, at her residence in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 82 years.

On June 27, 1958, in Bernie, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Charles Brown. Mr. Brown preceded her in death on July 6, 1991.

Mrs. Brown was a homemaker, she enjoyed birdwatching in her free time, she loved all animals, and she loved cooking and baking. She was happiest when she was surrounded by her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-granddaughter.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen Brown of Bernie, Missouri; by her granddaughter, Melissa Cobb, and husband Dustin; by three great-grandchildren, Sidney Cobb and fiancé Dalton Headley, Lesley Cobb, and Mandy Cobb; and by her great-great granddaughters, Stella Headley.

Graveside services will be held at Bernie Cemetery on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Elsie Lorraine Buttry

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In Memory of Elsie Lorraine Buttry

Elsie Lorraine Buttry, daughter of the late Merley Floyd Quick and Cleo Wilson Quick, was born in Leora, Missouri on May 6, 1924 and departed this life in Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri on October 31, 2022 at the age of 98.

Mrs. Buttry had worked at McDonnell Douglas Aircraft in St. Louis for 10 years, was joint owner/operator of Western Auto Store in Bernie, Missouri for 17 years, was a traveler and a homemaker. She was a member of Bernie United Methodist Church.

She was united in marriage to Lendal Buttry in Puxico, Missouri on October 18, 1942. Mr. Buttry preceded his wife in death on January 3, 2011.

Survivors include one son, Jerry Buttry & wife Carolyn of Bernie, Missouri; by two daughters, Judy Steffensen & husband John of Gainesville, Missouri and Rita Freed & husband Kenny of St. Peters, Missouri; by one sister, Mildred Rainey of Dexter, Missouri; by seven grandchildren, Tony Freed, Chuck Buttry & wife Noelle, Jennifer Burton & husband Scott, Susan Hart & husband Jim, Justin Steffensen & wife Tina, Monica Roever & husband Jeff and Janette Dawson & husband Tyler; twenty two great-grandchildren and one great-granddaughter; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband by one brother, Millie Quick; by one sister Viola Ross.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Monday, November 7, 2022 from 11:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, November 7, 2022 at 12:00 P.M.

Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Shirley Fay McRoy

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In Memory of Shirley Fay McRoy

Shirley Fay McRoy, daughter of the late Grady Sandusky and Ruby Shelby Sandusky, was born on July 23, 1942, in Bernie, Missouri, and departed this life on October 29, 2022, at Winchester Nursing Center in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 80 years.

Mrs. McRoy was a former minister at Faith Fellowship in Dexter, Missouri. She also had worked for International Hat and Elders Manufacturing in Dexter, she was a former JTPA Counselor for DAEOC, and she was a former teacher's assistant for Dexter Public Schools, assisting children with special needs.

On June 24, 1961, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Charles Richard McRoy. Mr. McRoy preceded her in death on January 24, 2021.

She is survived by her son, Scott McRoy of Dexter, Missouri, by her daughter, Angela Ortt and husband Ken of Dexter, Missouri; by three grandchildren, Ashley Soles of Kansas City, Missouri, Chasity Davis and fiancé Matt Carlson of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and Erik Ortt and wife Keara of Lexington, Kentucky; and by one great-grandchild, Owen Davis of Lexington, Kentucky; and by his "adopted" son, Burl Turner and wife Melissa of Dexter, Missouri.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by five brothers, Kenneth Sandusky, Jim Sandusky, Larry Sandusky, Carlos Sandusky, and Barry Sandusky; and by four sisters, Ann Atchison, Dot McNeece, June Brandon and Sally Robertson.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, November 5, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, November 5, 2022, at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Brad Moore officiating.

Interment will follow in the Hagy Cemetery in Dexter.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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