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## In Memory of Earnest Earl Young

DECEMBER 08TH 2022 BY DEE LOFLIN

#### In Memory of Earnest Earl Young

Earnest Earl Young, son of the late James Arthur Young and Mattie Mae Tankersley Young, was born on August 11, 1923, in Clines Island, Missouri, and departed this life on December 7, 2022, at Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 99 years.

Mr. Young was a former real estate broker and owner of Young Realty. He was a charter member of the Stoddard County Board of Real Estate, and he was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Dexter. Earl was very much a man of God. He enjoyed working in his workshop, tinkering with clocks, building, and repairing things. He loved going to garage sales and camping.

On June 28, 1942, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Neva Jane Causbie.

He is survived by his wife of 80 years, Neva Young of Dexter, Missouri; by three sons, Earl "Speedy" Young and wife Rosemarie of Pleasant Hill, Missouri, Chris Young and wife Lisa of Destrehan, Louisiana, and Mike Young and wife Jackie of Paulina, Louisiana; by his daughter-in-law, Carol Young of Dexter, Missouri; and by twelve grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Gary Young; by four brothers, Elbert Young, James Young, William Clayton Young, and Harold Young; and by two sisters, Bessie Vanbibber and Nellie Williams.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, December 10, 2022, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Ken Harper officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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## In Memory of Maryann Harmon-Coutavas

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In Memory of Maryann Harmon-Coutavas

Maryann Harmon-Coutavas, daughter of the late Walker Harmon and Mabel Wood Harmon, was born on October 5, 1943, in Puxico, Missouri, and departed this life on December 7, 2022, at her residence in Puxico, at the age of 79 years.

Mrs. Harmon-Coutavas was a former marketing director for AT&T. She was the secretary of the Puxico Improvement Corp., a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary in Puxico, and a member of the Puhicah Club in Puxico. She was active in prison ministry and the Tres Dias non-denominational for married couples. She was a youth leader and minister of communion at Fishkill United Methodist Church, and she founded the UMC food pantry in Puxico. She enjoyed taking mission trips to the Appalachian Mountains with her New York youth group.

On May 8, 1982, in Spring Valley, New York, she was united in marriage to Peter Coutavas. Mr. Coutavas survives at their home in Puxico.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, Peter Coutavas of Queens, New York; by three daughters, Angela Coutavas of Puxico, Missouri, Rachel Coutavas of Clearwater, Florida, and Kina Coutavas of Sarasota, Florida; and by four grandchildren, Peter Coutavas, Melanie Coutavas, Christina Coutavas, and Joey Borges.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Bill Harmon, and John Harmon.

Visitation will be held at Chapel on The Hill in Puxico, Missouri on Friday, December 9, 2022, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

A memorial service will then be conducted on Friday, December 9, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Linda Zych officiating.

Memorials may be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38101

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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## In Memory of Thomas Wayne Mitchell

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### In Memory of Thomas Wayne Mitchell

Thomas Wayne Mitchell, son of the late Jim Frank Mitchell and Betty Spence Mitchell was born on April 21, 1960, in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on December 2, 2022, at Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County at the age of 62.

Thomas was a resident of Dexter and had attended the Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter. He had worked as a tree trimmer and also ran a DJ/Karaoke business. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren, they were his life. He also enjoyed mechanic work with cars.

He is survived by five sons, Shawn Mitchell and fiancé Rebecca Hare both of Dexter, Shane Mitchell and fiancé Alexandra Murphy both of Dexter, Logan Mitchell of Desoto, Missouri, Landen Mitchell of Desoto, Missouri and Dustin W. Mitchell of California; by four daughters, Misty Mitchell of Dexter, Kristi and husband Dustin Mitchell of Dexter, Amber Mitchell and fiancé Adam Taylor of Dexter, and TJ Mitchell of Dexter; by two brothers, Jimmy Mitchell of St. Louis, Missouri, and Michael Karmas of Dexter; by fourteen grandchildren, Megan Mitchell and fiancé Brad Jany, Raylei Mitchell and fiancé Cordell Holt, Layne Hefner, Aiden Medlin, Allie Medlin, Rella Mitchell, Lillian Mitchell, Remyngten Parson, Jase Mitchell, Abel Mitchell, Ayla Taylor, Danny Hare, Wyatt Jany, and Lawson Jany; by three great-grandchildren, Kaizlynn Mitchell, Mia Jany and August Jany; and to all the other kids that he considered his thank you.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, David Mitchell; and by five sisters, Carla Pfeffer, Constance Mitchell, Cathy McCabe, Lori Inthaluexay, and Camille Mitchell.

A memorial service will be conducted at the Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter on Thursday, December 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Thomas Franklin Boner

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### In Memory of Thomas Franklin Boner

Thomas Franklin Boner, son of the late Violet Marie Boner was born on February 9, 1940, in Malden, Missouri and departed this life on December 3, 2022, at the Saint Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 82.

Mr. Boner attended the Bernie Nazarene Church and was a resident of Bernie. He loved the outdoors and was a lifetime member of the Crowley Ridge Black Powder Club, enjoyed primitive camping, he made primitive bows, long guns and hand guns. Along with hand making bows and guns, he enjoyed working with wood in other areas as well. He also enjoyed deer hunting and fishing.

He was united in marriage to Mary Ellen Green on July 10, 1960, in Malden, Missouri. Mrs. Boner preceded him in death on January 23, 2015. He was then united in marriage to Betty Spain. She preceded him in death in July of 2018.

He is survived by three daughters, Rebecca Searby and husband Warren of Kingsport, Tennessee, Judith Fralick and husband James of Dexter, Missouri, and Jennifer Alberson and husband Randy of Puxico, Missouri; by seven grandchildren, Ryan Searby, James Fralick, Alicia Jackson and husband Gentry, Kayla Nash, Cole Nash, Hannah Alberson, and Ethan Alberson; by seven great-grandchildren, Keller Fralick, Robert Fralick, Ella Fralick, Kaden Jackson, Zachary Jackson, Abbigail Jackson and Samuel Jackson; and by a special friend, Reba Vincent.

Visitation will be held on Monday, December 5, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri. Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, December 5, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Ken Harper officiating.

Interment will follow at the Stanfield Cemetery in Clarkton.

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## In Memory of Mary Ruth Hicks

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### In Memory of Mary Ruth Hicks

Mary Ruth Hicks 84 of Essex, Missouri, passed from this life on Monday November 28, 2022, at her home.

The daughter of the late Cyrel Herbert George and Thelma Louise Williams was born on October 8, 1938, in Stoddard County Missouri.

She was a member of the Beech Grove General Baptist Church in Bloomfield, Missouri. She loved to quilt, cross stitch and do embroidery work, cook meals for her family, and planned and coordinated all the family holidays and reunions. She also enjoyed reading and especially solving crossword puzzles.

On February 16, 1957, she was married to Ollie Clifford Hicks in Circle City, Missouri, remaining married until her passing.

She is survived by her husband of the home; two sons and four daughters, Garry (Evelyn) Hicks of Woodward, Oklahoma, Peggy Hicks of Dexter, Missouri, Terry Hicks of Piedmont, Missouri, Teresa (Mike) Lambert of Bloomfield, Missouri, Kathy (Dane) Robinson of Lawrence, Kansas and Donna Hicks of Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Fifteen grandchildren, twenty great grandchildren and two great grandchildren as well as a host of family and friends.

She was preceded in death her parents; several brothers and one sister; one son, Stevan Dale Hicks and a loving Aunt Goldie Pry who had raised her from an early teen to adulthood.

Visitation services will be held Thursday, December 1, 2022, from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Funeral service will be held at 12:00 P.M. on Friday, December 2, 2022, at the Watkins And Sons Funeral Chapel in Dexter, Missouri, with Brother Rick Roberts officiating.

Interment will follow at the Chalk Bluff Cemetery in Dexter, Missouri, with Watkins and Sons Funeral Home of Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in her memory.

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