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In Memory of James “Jim” Horner

JANUARY 16TH 2023 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of James “Jim” Horner

James “Jim” Horner, son of the late Charles Horner and Gertrude Rodery Horner, was born on March 10, 1929, in Arbyrd, Missouri, and departed this life on January 12, 2023, at Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 93 years.

Mr. Horner was a former employee of Bud Shell Ford in Dexter, Missouri. He was a member of Friendship Baptist Church in Dexter and a resident of Dexter. He enjoyed tinkering with lawn mowers and cars and in his younger years he built houses.

In 1950, in West Branch, Michigan, he was united in marriage to Marjorie Dack.

He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Marjorie Horner of Dexter; by two daughters, Patti Bishop and husband Dean of Dexter, and Pam Chamberlain of Dexter; by his daughter-in-law, Gwen Horner of Poplar Bluff; by six grandchildren, Shayne Horner, Jamee Gaines, Beau Bishop, Megan Wilson, Brock Chamberlain, and Kurt Chamberlain; and by several great-grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Michael Horner; by his brother C J Horner; and by three sisters, Dorothy Bickerstaff, Louise England, and Betty Meridith.

A memorial service will be held at Friendship Baptist Church in Dexter on Monday, January 16, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Vicky Lucille Singer

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Vicky Lucille Singer, daughter of Helen Lane of Dexter, Missouri and the late Melvin Lane was born on December 11, 1952, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on January 11, 2023, at her residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 70.

Mrs. Singer was a retired school teacher and had taught within the Dexter School district for many years.

Other than by her mother, she is survived by one son, Brian Pounds and wife Ashley of St. Louis, Missouri; by two sisters, Katherine Hussey of Las Vegas, Nevada and Patty Hilt of Ashland, Missouri; and by one grandson, Everett Pounds of St. Louis, Missouri.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, January 16, 2023, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, January 16, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Essex Cemetery (Old Part) in Essex, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Reba Ann Owens

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In Memory of Reba Ann Owens

Reba Ann Owens, daughter of the late Robert Henson and Flora South Henson, was born in Ethridge, Tennessee on August 15, 1936 and departed this life at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri on January 11, 2023 at the age of 86.

Mrs. Owens was a homemaker and a seamstress. She was a member of Bernie Church of Christ and a resident of Bernie.

She was united in marriage to Reuben Owens in Tunica, Mississippi on April 23, 1955. Mr. Owens preceded his wife in death on February 3, 2014.

Survivors include two sons, Buford Dwight Owens & wife Kelly Ann of Jackson, Missouri and Michael D. Owens & wife Stephanie of Bernie, Missouri; by one daughter, Melanie Ann Ayers of South Carolina; by six grandchildren, Natalie Ann Burnside, Scarlett Ann Dawson, Michael Paul Owens, Jessica Christine Cabaniss, Krystal Ann Hobgood and Waylon Dwight Owens; by thirteen great-grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death, other than by her parents and her husband, by one son, Reuben DeWayne Owens; and by two sisters, Gladys Abel and Ruby Karnes.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Saturday, January 14, 2023 from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM. Funeral services will then be conducted at 12:00 PM in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie with Stan Dauck officiating. Internment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements

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In Memory of Charles Ray England

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In Memory of Charles Ray England

Charles Ray England, 78, of Arbor passed away Friday, January 13, 2023

He was born February 12, 1944 in Painton, Mo. to Ida (Hitt) and Troy England. He was united in marriage on July 1, 1985 to Patrice O'Mara who preceded him in death 2 months earlier.

Charles graduated from Delta school in 1962 and spent most of his life as a self employed carpenter. He enjoyed fishing and taking care of the pond on his property. He was known as the unofficial "Mayor of Arbor" and enjoyed visiting with all of his family, friends and neighbors.

He is survived by his son, Michael England of Benton, KY, his brother Robert (Patricia) England of Advance, his stepdaughter April McFerron of Advance, his niece Tracy (Roger) Slinkard of Advance, two grandchildren, Whitney McFerron (Vincent Oliver) of Lille, France and Matthew McFerron of St. Louis. He will be missed by many other family and friends.

Visitation will take place on Monday, January 16th at Morgan Funeral Home in Advance at 2:00 pm followed by a service at 3:00 pm.

Burial will take place at a later date at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Tillman.

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In Memory of Betty Lucille Massey

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Betty Lucille Massey of Dexter, Missouri, daughter of the late Haud Ellis Dunning and Francis Gladys (Matthews) Dunning was born on March 21, 1935, in Sikeston, Missouri, and went to be with the Lord on January 11, 2023, in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 87 years.

She lived in the Essex and Dexter area her entire life. Betty was a member of Sweet Prospect General Baptist Church in Dexter, Missouri.

Betty enjoyed crocheting, seek and find books, reading her Bibles, she loved to draw, and picking up pecans. The most precious time was spending with her family when she could.

Betty is survived by three sons, Gary (Patty) Massey of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, David (Dorothy) Massey of Campbell, Missouri, and Johnny (Tina) Massey, Jr. of Bernie, Missouri; one daughter, Janet Martin of Campbell, Missouri; one brother, John (Dorothy) Dunning of Lodi, Wisconsin; one sister, Gracie Jones of Trinity, Alabama; fifteen grandchildren; and twenty-two great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; life long dear friends, Marty Starnes, Jessica Starnes, Jack and Lydia Penberthy, as well as a host of family and friends.

She was preceded in death by one son, Ricky Massey, Sr.; one son-in-law, Ronnie Martin, Sr.; two grandsons, William Massey and Stanley Summers; one sister, Dolly (Bobbie) Jackson; one niece, Starla Kay Mairs.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2023, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral Services will follow at 12:30 p.m. with Pastor Ray Rowland of Dexter, Missouri, officiating with Watkins and Sons Funeral Home of Dexter, Missouri in charge of all arrangements.

Interment will follow at Morgan Memorial Park Cemetery in Advance, Missouri.

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