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Pearl Irene Ashley, daughter of the late Argil Stickles and Opal Edwards Stickles, was born on July 3, 1946, in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on January 25, 2023, at Quail Creek Skilled Nursing in Springfield, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Mrs. Ashley was a former waitress for Lola's in Dexter, and a former cook for Central Elementary School in Dexter. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Dexter and a resident of Dexter.

Pearl also known as Nanny Ashley, loved Christmas. She would get all of her Christmas Village pieces out, decorate her Christmas tree, and had a touch of Christmas in practically every room in the house with Santas, garland, and Angels. She loved baking fresh homemade cookies, making white chocolate covered pretzels, bon bons, pies, cakes, Rice Krispie candies and then giving them to her friends and family. This was her overall Favorite Time of the Year!!!

On November 15, 1966, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to John Wesley Ashley. Mr. Ashley preceded her in death on February 11, 2007.

She is survived by two sons, Gary Ashley and wife Missy of Dexter, Missouri and Sam Ashley and wife Lydia of Springfield, Missouri; by her sister-in-law, Shari Stickles of Dexter, Missouri; by Beverly Seabaugh of Dexter, Missouri, whom she thought of as a sister; by six grandchildren, Wesley Ashley, Gavin Ashley, Dylan Ashley and wife Taryn, Jesse Ashley, Caleb Ashley, Bella Ashley; and by two great-grandchildren, Stormie Ashley, and Eliana Ashley;

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Terry Stickles.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, January 29, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Sunday, January 29, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Sam Ashley officiating. Interment will follow in the Sadler Chapel Cemetery in Dexter.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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