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In Memory of Terry Ray Kitchens

MARCH 23RD 2023 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Terry Ray Kitchens

Terry Ray Kitchens, son of Billy Joe Kitchens and Joyce Allstun Kitchens, was born on September 24, 1965 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on March 21, 2023, at his residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 57 years.

Mr. Kitchens was an employee of the Stoddard County Sheltered Workshop in Dexter, Missouri, from 1982 to 2020, serving for 38 years. Terry was a 1984 graduate of Dexter High School, a member of the Dexter Church of Christ, and a lifelong resident of Dexter. He loved the St. Louis Cardinals and was a big supporter of the Dexter Bearcats. He enjoyed watching his nieces play volleyball for the Bearcats and attending church every Sunday.

He is survived by his parents, Bill and Joyce Kitchens of Dexter, Missouri, by his sister, Regina Brown and husband Johnny of Dexter, Missouri; by three nieces, Nikki Brown and husband Kevin of Junction City, Kansas, Ashley Cummins and husband Tyler of Chaffee, Missouri, and Brittany Vaughan and husband Chase of Jackson, Missouri; by three great-nieces, Gabby Brown, Brandie Brown, and Madi Brown; by three great-nephews, Cooper Vaughan, Connor Cummins, and Grayson Cummins; by one great niece or nephew Vaughan on the way; by his aunt, Marla Bailey of Dexter, Missouri; by his aunt and uncle, Charles and Pauline McBride of Dexter, Missouri; and by many cousins and close friends.

He was preceded in death by his twin brother Larry Kitchens; by his uncle, Richard Bailey; by his paternal grandparents, Charles and Norma McBride, and Hughey Kitchens;

and by his maternal grandparents, Lorn and Marie Allstun.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, March 24, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted at the Dexter Church of Christ on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to The Children's Home, 5515 Walcott Road, Paragould AR 72450-3319

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Michael Larry Rehm

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In Memory of Michael Larry Rehm

Michael Larry Rehm, son of the late George Larry Rehm and Phyllis Shell Rehm, was born on February 27, 1964, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on March 19, 2023 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 59 years.

Mr. Rehm was the former owner of a car lot. He enjoyed riding horses, roping, funny movies, and home cooking. His greatest joy was loving and laughing with his family and closest friends. He wanted everyday to be a fun celebration of life. He loved making people smile with his quick wit and humor. He always looked forward to a good meal with his family and some good ole' country music.

He is survived by two nieces, Erin (Larry) Brown and Lauren Thorne all of Dexter Missouri; and by seven great nieces and nephews, Alexandra (Levi) Diebold, Conner Tres Hampton, Gracen Camille Hampton, Caleb Thorne, Weston Thorne, Olivia Calcagno, and E.J. Tucker.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Charles Poepplemeyer and by his sister, Lisa Ayers.

Michael's family would like to give special appreciation to his Cypress Point family for the many ways they showed him extra love and went above and beyond for him and his family daily for the past decade.

A Reception Celebrating his life will be held at the Hickory Log in Dexter on Monday, March 27, 2023, drop-in from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Chester Roy Stafford

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Chester Roy Stafford, son of the late Willard Stafford and Vada Dale Stafford, was born on August 17, 1946, in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on March 19, 2023, at Southeast Health of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Rev. Stafford was a minister, a member of the Gospel Assembly Church in Sikeston, Missouri, and resident of Dexter.

On May 11, 1968, in Essex, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Bonnie Miller. Mrs. Stafford preceded him in death on August 26, 2021.

He is survived by two sons, Kevin Stafford (Kimberly Bolin) of Dexter, Missouri, and Tony Stafford of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by two grandchildren, Drew Stafford and Megan Stafford, and by three great-grandchildren, McKinlee Stafford, Abreigh Stafford, and Mia Stafford.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by five brothers, Vaughn Stafford, Tom Stafford, Houston Stafford, Dean Stafford, and Willie Stafford; and by three sisters, Marie Kimball, Inez Stafford, and Faye Little.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, March 25, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Gospel Assembly Church, 228 Missouri Ave, Sikeston, Missouri 63841.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Franklin Dee Hatchel

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Franklin Dee Hatchel, son of the late James Hatchel and Dora Cox Hatchel, was born on April 23, 1934, in Parma, Missouri, and departed this life on March 19, 2023, at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 88 years.

Mr. Hatchel was a Veteran of the United States Army and a former truck driver.

He is survived by four sons, Mark Hatchel of Bloomfield, Missouri, Jimmy Hatchel of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, Stevie Chilton of Dexter, Missouri, and Billy Chilton of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by two daughters, Jeannie Marshal of Jackson, Missouri, and Judy Duenne of Charleston, Missouri; by his sister, Joyce Blaylock of Essex, Missouri; and by seven grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers, Perry Hatchel, Terry Hatchel, Bud Hatchel, and Louis Hatchel; and by seven sisters, Emogene Hodge, Eula Mae Carson, Violetta Minton, Dorothy Richards, Mable Hudgens, Velta Lacy, and Geraldine Hatchel.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, March 23, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Shirley Jean Gulley

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Shirley Jean Gulley, daughter of the late Wilbur Williams and Emogene Musgraves Watkins, was born on February 15, 1952, in Tuscola, Illinois, and departed this life on March 18, 2023, at Winchester Nursing Center in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 71 years.

Mrs. Gulley was a former employee of VNA and a resident of Dexter, Missouri.

She was united in marriage to Alan Gulley on July 4, 1986. Mr. Gulley survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, Scottie Linder of Cocoa Beach, Florida; by her brother, Sam Williams of Fairfield, Illinois, and Nancy Blessing of Fairfield, Illinois; and by six grandchildren.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her grandson, Clayton Bolte.

No services are planned.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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