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In Memory of Bobby Gene Sides

MAY 15TH 2023 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Bobby Gene Sides

Bobby Gene Sides was born near Hayti, Missouri on June 10, 1927, the elder son of Cyrus E. Sides and Lina E. (Warren) Sides. The family moved to Risco, Missouri when Bob was twelve, and to what became the family farm east of Bernie in December, 1941. Bob graduated from Bernie High School in 1944 and began farming shortly after, first with his father and later with his younger brother Wayne.

Bob married his high school sweetheart, Faye Quinn, on August 8, 1946 in Flint, Michigan. The couple moved into the house in rural Bernie that remained Bob's home the rest of his life. Together they farmed, traveled, and raised their daughter, Barbara. Faye died on April 11, 1988.

He married Rev. Susan Marner on February 11, 1989, when he took on the sometimes challenging role of clergy spouse. After retiring from farming in 1992, Bob and Susan enjoyed many trips in their 5th -wheel trailer, including several winter visits to Arizona and summer trips to the Missouri State Fair. In later years Bob took up golf and enjoyed golfing trips with friends. He delivered Meals on Wheels in Bernie for over 25 years. He was a former member of the Drainage Ditch #37 Board and the Senate Bill 40 Board, which administers and establishes facilities and services for persons with developmental disabilities. Bob was an active and faithful member of the Bernie United Methodist Church for 81 years.

Bob died in his home on May 13, 2023, at the age of 95. He was predeceased by his parents; by his wife Faye; by two infant half-sisters; by his son-in-law Thomas Dawson;

and by his brother, partner, and friend, Wayne Sides. Bob's survivors include his wife, Susan Marner-Sides; one daughter, Barbara Dawson; and one grandson, Robbie Dawson, all of Bernie, Missouri. He is also survived by nephews Gary (Terrie) and Kevin (Tammy) Sides, of Festus, Missouri; and Raye Riley of Anthony, Texas; by a host of great nieces and nephews; and by many, many friends.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Friday, May 19, 2023 From 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday Morning, May 20, 2023 in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie, Missouri starting at 11:00 AM. With Rev. Jayne Markin and Rev. Dr. Amy Gearhart officiating. Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

MEMORIALS:

Bernie United Methodist Church Noisy Offering Fund (PO Box 850, Bernie MO 63822); Stoddard County Meals on Wheels (23 W Stoddard St, Dexter MO 63141); or Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (www.lls.org)

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In Memory of Walter Easley

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In Memory of Walter Easley

Walter Easley, 72 of East Prairie, Missouri, passed away Tuesday May 9, 2023 at Missouri Delta Medical Center. He was the son of the late Herman and Roselee Malone Easley, born on April 7, 1951 in Mayfield, Kentucky. He was a well-known welder in Mississippi County for his entire life.

On June 10, 1977 he became the loving husband of Helen Fern Cornwell Easley, who departed this life on April 9, 2022

Walter enjoyed playing cards and shooting a game of pool with his friends. He also loved working in his shop and enjoying his wife's beautiful flowers and birds in their backyard.

Walter was a loving father to one daughter, Joanie Johnson and a wonderful Papa to one grandson Kyle (Brittany) Everett whom he loved dearly; two brothers, John Easley of East Prairie and Charles Easley of Tennessee; one sister, Jo Ann Easley; one special niece, Kim Frye of East Prairie, who made his day brighter.

Besides his parents and wife, Walter is preceded in death by two brothers, Herman Perry Easley and Billy Joe Easley; two sisters, Virgileen Ginnings and Frances Wilson.

No services will be held at this time.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Terry Joe Cecil, Sr.

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In Memory of Terry Joe Cecil, Sr.

Terry Joe Cecil, Sr. of Dexter, Missouri, passed away peacefully at his residence on May 9, 2023, at the age of 70. Joe Cecil was born on May 16, 1952, in Sikeston, Missouri.

He is survived by his two children and their spouses, Joe and Lora Cecil, and Jenny and Jeremiah Oakley; grandkids Kristin Bailey, Taylor Cecil, Macy Cecil, and Reece Jones; great granddaughter Kassidy Bailey; his sisters Brenda Sprenke, Linda Cecil; brothers, Gary Cecil, and Frank Cecil; his special friend and caregiver Shaun Flanery and his beloved pets, Molly, Buddy, and TJ.

He was preceded in death by his parents Carl and Mildred Cecil; brothers Larry, Mike & Dennis John Cecil; sisters, Patsy Cecil, and Gayle Rodgers.

Mr. Cecil was a medic in the U.S. Air Force, until in 1979 when he opened Cecil Auto Sales in Dexter, which he owned for over 30 years. He loved cars, traveling, and especially his grandchildren, whom he was so proud of. He was known for lending a hand to anyone who needed it and always being the life of the party. Along with his many friends and family, Joe leaves behind plenty of great stories and good times.

We ask that when you think of Joe, you think of him in a Hawaiian shirt with a big smile trying to make one last deal for the day.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, May 15, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, May 15, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Roger Douglas Medler

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In Memory of Roger Douglas Medler

Roger Douglas Medler of Dexter, Missouri, son of the late Glen William and Corita Marcella (Eagan) Medler was born on September 6, 1944, in Dexter, Missouri, and passed from this life on May 11, 2023, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 78.

He lived in the Southeast Missouri most of his life, except for a ten year stent when he lived in Cuba, Missouri, while working for the Missouri State Highway Patrol. After relocating to Dexter, He and his wife took over the family business in 1983, owning and operating Medler's Cleaners until his retirement at the end of 2022.

Roger married Sue Jackson in Kennett, Missouri, on August, 15, 1967. He was of the Protestant Faith attending The Christian Church. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, working, spending time with family, especially spoiling his grandchildren.

Roger is survived by his wife of the home; three sons, Roger (Sherry) Medler; Ross Derek Medler and Ryan Mitchell (Ashlee) Medler all of Dexter, Missouri; four grandchildren; Garrett, Layne, Jacob and Jaxon; one brother, Ron Medler of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; one sister, Glenellen Nasrallah of Boston, Massachusetts; a close personal friend Roger Hubbard of Dexter; as well a host of family and friends.

To order memorial trees or send flowers to the family in memory of Roger Douglas Medler, please visit our flower store.

In memory of Roger Douglas Medler, please consider making a donation to one of the following charities: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or BEN KRUSE 18 FORE LIFE FOUNDATION

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In Memory of Mary Margaret Corder

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In Memory of Mary Margaret Corder

Mary Margaret Corder, daughter of the late Clyde Scroggins and Mildred Stobaugh Scroggins, was born on September 4, 1946, in Morrilton, Arkansas; and departed this life on May 9, 2023, at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Mrs. Corder was a homemaker and a resident of Dexter. For many years she was the treasure for the Northwest Oaks Homeowners Association, and she worked in the election voting polls.

On June 18, 1999, in Piggott, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to Jerry Corder. Mr. Corder survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by five daughters, Dana Jennings and husband Tim of Fisk, Missouri, Pam Belvin of Dexter, Missouri, Cindy Suiter and husband Steve of Spring Branch, Texas, Misty Gibbs and husband Bryant of Dexter, Missouri, and Cindy Dreher and husband Kenny of Marthasville, Missouri; by seven grandchildren, Amber Hampton (Brandon), Nick Suiter (Kelly), Stephanie Woodsmall (Colton), Shana Smith (Hunter), Logan Shih (Steve), Jessi Ruch (Brett) and Joshua Shidler; by twelve great-grandchildren, Shaylee, Brandon, Kenzie, Nicholas, Reed, Crue, Mabree, Emma, Edison, Grey, Murphy, and Fletcher; and by one great-granddaughter on the way.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Betty Scroggins, and Ruth Dial.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, May 11, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Larry Lawman officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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