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In Memory of Linda Dorris

FEBRUARY 06TH 2024 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Linda Dorris

Linda Dorris, daughter of the late Troy Meledo Eaker and Leathel Shell Eaker, was born October 17, 1948, in Malden, Missouri and departed this life on February 3, 2024, at her home in Bernie at the age of 75.

Mrs. Dorris was the former deputy clerk for the Stoddard County Collector/Treasurer's office. She loved to read and spend time with her grandchildren. She also enjoyed playing Domino's and Yahtzee. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bernie, Missouri.

She was united in marriage to Garry Dean Dorris on August 26, 1972, in Malden, Missouri. Mr. Dorris preceded her in death on July 22, 2020.

She is survived by one son, Jeffery Dean Dorris of Dexter, Missouri; two daughters, Kimberly Diane (Paul) Cook of Malden, Missouri, and Melanie Kay (Jon) Riley of St. Charles, Missouri; four grandchildren, Shawn Cook, Shauna Cook, Kaitlyn Riley and Kyle Riley; two great-grandchildren, Eleanor Cook and Ezra Cook.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Eugene Eaker, Marvin Eaker and Rudie Eaker; one sister, Pearlene Higginbotham.

Friends may call Tuesday February 6, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri. Funeral services will then be conducted Tuesday February 6, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie with Rev. Gary Gilbert and Bennetta Harrelson officiating. Interment will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery in Malden, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Kathy Wilson

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Kathy Wilson, daughter of the late Joe Woody and Verna Davis Woody was born on December 7, 1951 in Huffman, Arkansas and departed this life on February 1, 2024 at the Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 72.

Mrs. Wilson had worked at the shoe factory in Sikeston, Missouri and also at Tyson in Dexter, Missouri. She enjoyed reading, and working in her vegetable garden.

She was united in marriage to Charles Lee Wilson. Mr. Wilson preceded her in death on October 17, 2017.

She is survived by her sister and brother in law, Tricia and husband Chuck of Lino Lakes, Minnesota.

Other than by her husband and parents she was preceded in death by five brothers, Bobby Woody, Clarence Woody, Charles Woody, Will Woody and James Woody; and by two sisters, Anita Bianchetti and Shirley Leggett.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri. A funeral service will be conducted on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 10:00

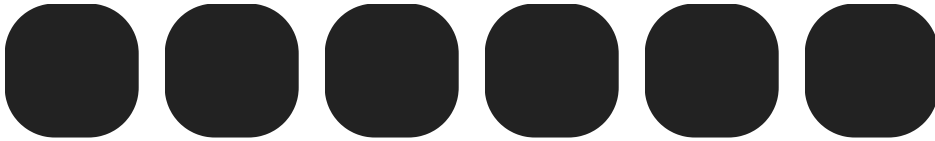
a.m. in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel with Jim Carrier officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Donald B. Faris

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In Memory of Donald B. Faris

Donald B. Faris, age 74, of Dexter, MO, died Friday, January 26, 2024 at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing, in Dexter, MO.

Mr. Faris was born March 25, 1949 in Myron, AR, son of the late Paul and Dorothy Faris.

He was a member of Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter where he was an active volunteer with the church foodbank. He was retired Supervisor from Arvin Automotive in Dexter.

On May 31, 1969, he married Frances Brayton Faris. She survives.

Also surviving are two grandchildren: Keely and Merena Smith; four great grandchildren: Gracie and Anna Gee, Colt and Ryker Smith; three sisters: Lela and John Tucker, Rose and Harry Bard and Paula Faris.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by one daughter: Serena Faris Smith and one sister, Betty Faris.

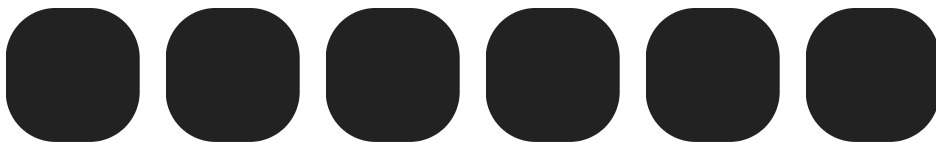
There will be a gathering of family and friends at 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 3, 2024 at the Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter.

A Memorial service will follow at 11:00 AM with Pastor Tim Russell officiating. Inurnment will follow at Brown Chapel Cemetery in Broseley.

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In Memory of Everett Ray Kyle

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In Memory of Everett Ray Kyle

Everett Ray Kyle, son of the late Albert Kyle and Jewell McClain Kyle, was born on November 9, 1950, Cairo, Illinois, and departed this life on January 27, 2024, at his residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 73 years.

Affectionately known as Pop, Pa, or Old Pa, Everett passed away with a heart full of memories and a legacy that spans a lifetime. He graduated from Dexter High School in 1969. Following in the footsteps of his late father Albert, Everett dedicated his life to the electrical profession, leaving a lasting mark on Southeast Missouri farms, industries, businesses, and residences. His commitment to his craft played a crucial role in shaping the landscape of the region. Including building substations and developing the SCADA system for the City of Sikeston, he later traveled to California, teaching others how to utilize the system. One of his main accomplishments in the City of Sikeston power station was solving the turbine problem that had plagued the plant since day one. Many saw him not only as a proficient electrician but as a mentor and craftsman whose impact was felt far and wide. His legacy lives on in the wires he meticulously connected, the circuits he masterfully navigated, and the countless lives he illuminated with his knowledge.

Settling in Dexter, Mo, Everett married Karen Kay Perry and together they raised two sons, Aaron and Ben. He shared his passion for 4x4 trucks and the art of rebuilding cars, creating lasting memories with his boys. Everett's enthusiasm extended to his famous 1974 International Hi-Binder, and he proudly served as the president of the Bootheel 4 Wheelers in the 1980s.

Beyond his professional and automotive pursuits, Everett was a collector at heart. His love for coins and a diverse collection of toys, particularly model trains and International tractors, showcased his eclectic interests and joyful spirit, sharing this love of trains and tractors with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In the later years of his career, Everett established his own business, eventually becoming an electrical supervisor for Progressive Industrial Electric. Locally known to many as the smartest man in the field, he served as an inspirational mentor to all who had the privilege of knowing him.

During his final years, Sandra Bowling stood as Everett's devoted caregiver. Her love and care provided comfort to him, and he expressed deep gratitude for her presence in his life.

He is survived by two sons, Aaron Kyle (Leslie) of Bloomfield, Missouri, and Ben Kyle (Brandi) of Dexter, Missouri; by his sister, Marsha Feldmann (Tom) of Austin, Texas; by eight grandchildren, Ashleigh Smith, Amber Smith, Garrett Kyle, Tucker Kyle, Hunner Kyle, Anistin Kyle, Lillian Kyle, and Ali Kate; and

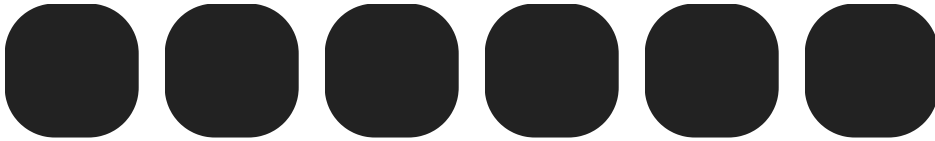
by six great-grandchildren, Kennadie Hicks, Kamdon Hicks, Karter Hicks, Klyde Hicks, Kleo Hicks, and Greyson Kyle and best lifelong friend Ronnie Smith.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter-in-law, Tiffany Kyle.

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In Memory of Verttle Lee Adams

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Verttle Lee Adams, daughter of the late William Ray Silliman and Agnes Martha Harris Silliman, was born on March 22, 1929, in Vinson, Missouri, and departed this life on January 26, 2024, at Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 94 years.

Mrs. Adams was a former employee of Elder Manufacturing in Dexter, Missouri, and a resident of Dexter. She attended Risen Church in Dexter and was a member of the Dexter Elks Lodge.

On May 19, 1947, in Piggott, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to John "Pete" Adams. Mr. Adams preceded her in death on November 3, 2002.

She is survived by two sons, David Adams (Marsha) of Dexter, Missouri, and Gene Adams (Ann) of Fairdealing, Missouri, by her sister, Peggy Bollinger (Doug) of Dexter, Missouri; by two grandsons, Travis Adams (Dana) and Tim Adams (Stephanie); and by six great grandchildren, Kendall, Karsen, Jade, Taylor, Jake, and Austin.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her grandson, Mike Adams; by two brothers, Bill Silliman, and J. W. Silliman; and by two sisters, Betty Myers, and Beverly Durham.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Preston Owens officiating. Interment will follow the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

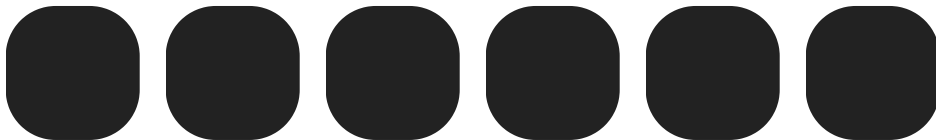
Memorials may be made to 18 Fore Life, c/o Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter MO 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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