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# In Memory of May (Williamson) McGuire

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May (Williamson) McGuire, a beloved member of the community, passed away on May 16, 2024 in her hometown of St. Louis, Missouri. She was born on April 25, 1956, in St. Louis to her loving parents, Eugene and Rosa Lee (Fields) Williamson.. May spent her career working in a bakery, where she brought joy to many with her delicious creations.

May was not just a talented baker; she was also a dedicated member of the Bakers Confectionary Union and pursued her passion for baking with unwavering dedication. Her creations brought smiles to all those who had the pleasure of tasting them.

May is survived by her daughter Rosa Bounds of Granite City, Illinois; three grandchildren Sadie Bucks, Josh Bucks, and Jordan Bounds; as well as two great-grandchildren Peyton Bucks and Collin Bucks. May is also survived by her brothers Ervin Williamson of Piedmont, Missouri, Robert Williamson of St. Louis, Missouri; and her sister Jennett Hagy of Dexter.

May was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Winston Allen and ED Williamson; and sisters Alice Mace, Jackie Hagy, Virginia French, and Rosetta Parris.

A Graveside Service will be held to honor May McGuire on May 20, 2024, at Parma City Cemetery in Parma, Missouri. The service will take place from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

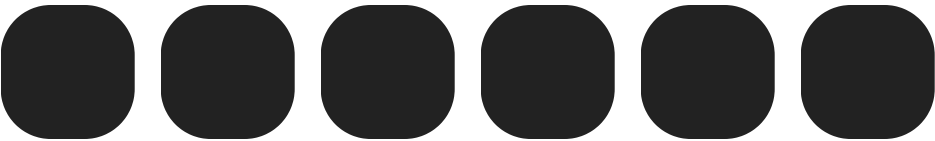
May's memory will live on in the hearts of all those who knew and loved her. She will be remembered for her kindness, warmth, and the sweetness she brought into the lives of others through her passion for baking.

May she rest in peace.

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# In Memory of Catherine Lea Mathis

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Catherine Lea Mathis, daughter of Dorothy and Lee Bloomfield of Essex, Missouri was born on December 27, 1954, in Sikeston, Missouri. She went to her Heavenly home on May 19, 2024, at the age of 69 in Wappapello, Missouri.

Cathy is survived by her loving and devoted husband, David Mathis of 50 years; her children Ambre and late husband Mark Curran of Benton, Missouri; Lauren and husband Bruce Starks of Benton, Missouri; siblings Debbie and husband Terry Bowling of Farmington, Missouri; Beth and husband Mike Smith of Houston, Texas; Lee and Deanna Bloomfield of Gulfport, Mississippi; Grandchildren, Zach and wife Amanda Curran of Columbus, Ohio; Madalyn and husband Alan Lockhart of Joplin, Missouri; Jacob Curran of Phoenix, Arizona; Maurice Davis (Shelby Eichhorn) of Jacksonville, Florida; Colton Starks and Camden Starks of Benton, Missouri and several loving lifelong friends and extended family members.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Dorothy and Lee Bloomfield; stepfather, Fred Gamble; father and mother-in-law, Vernon and June Mathis; son-in-law, Mark Curran; and grandchild, Xaiden Starks.

Cathy graduated from Richland High School in 1973. While being a military spouse with her husband, she was very active in the military community as well as the communities in Dexter, Missouri and Talihina, Oklahoma.

Cathy loved to watch all wildlife, especially “momma raccoon” on her back porch with her husband, David. She enjoyed watching all sports, but her favorite to watch was the St. Louis Cardinals and The Blues. She was most famous for her “sugar cookies.” Her most favorite title of all was “Mom-Mom.” She was Mom-Mom to not only her grandchildren but to all the people she came into contact with.

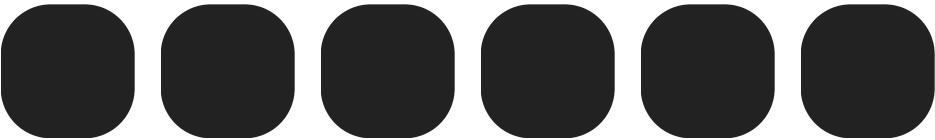
Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, May 24, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, May 24, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Jamison “Jamie” Allen Tweedy

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## In Memory of Jamison “Jamie” Allen Tweedy

Jamison “Jamie” Allen Tweedy, 5, of Wentzville, formerly of Mexico, passed away on Monday, May 13, 2024, at St. Louis Children’s Hospital.

Funeral Services will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 18, at Arnold Funeral Home with Jonathan Khourie officiating. Visitation is Friday evening from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Graveside Services will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday at Morgan Memorial Park in Advance, Missouri.

Jamie was born on March 14, 2019, in Columbia, Missouri, the son of Jesse Allen and Sarah Elizabeth (Strickland) Tweedy.

Jamie was a sweet, funny, and whitty little momma's boy who LOVED everything Pokemon. He loved collecting and sorting cards with his dad, watching and directing his dad while playing Pokemon games on the switch, and collecting Pokemon battle figures and stuffies. Jamie loved to be around family and friends. He enjoyed watching movies with his big sister and "little big sister", was a complete remote hog, and had to always have the fans going. He always looked forward to visisting Ms.Jody's daycare and enjoyed

going on trips to visit family where he would go fishing with his Papa Jim, Aunt Becca and Uncle Beau; ride four wheelers, feed the animals, and catch crawdads in the creek. Jamie had the biggest heart. He loved cuddles, soaking up attention, being a night owl with mommy, and had the best memory. He could remember everything. He touched the lives of so many in his short 5 years here with us, and will be terribly missed by all of those who knew and loved him, especially his family.

Survivors include his parents, Jesse and Sarah Tweedy of the home; two sisters, Addison and Eleanor Tweedy of the home; maternal grandparents, Jim and Ruth Strickland of Bloomfield; paternal grandparents, Allen Tweedy of Alton and Jennifer Burkhead of Mexico; paternal great-grandparents, Carl and Shirley Burkhead of Mexico; maternal great-grandmother, MaryAnn Malone of Dexter; aunts and uncles, Jessica (Eddie) Bonilla and their family of Ludowici, Georgia, Rebecca (Beau) Baker and their family of Elsinore, Ashley Tweedy (Matt Harmon) and their family of St. Clair, and Keith Brawley of Mexico; and a godfather, Uncle Jared (Aunt Amanda) Blau and their child of DeSoto.

Memorial donations may be given to assist in purchase of Jamie's headstone and erecting future park and playground equipment in honor of Jamie. Donations will be accepted through Venmo (JT-CLI) or by check. Checks to be made payable to Jesse Tweedy and may

be sent in care of Arnold Funeral Home, 425 S. Jefferson Street, Mexico, MO 65265.

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# In Memory of Sandra Faye Carden

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In Memory of Sandra Faye Carden

Sandra Faye Carden, of Puxico, Missouri, known for her dedication in the insurance industry for over 20 years, peacefully passed away on May 16, 2024 in the presence of her loved ones at her family home in Puxico. She was born on May 24, 1965, in Poplar Bluff, where she grew up surrounded by the love of her parents, Dennis Leon and Connie Elizabeth Faye (Walker) Marquis.

In addition to her grieving parents, Sandra leaves behind a legacy of cherished memories and an impact on those who knew her best. She shared deep connections with her: two sisters, Deana Coleman and Denise Marquis both of Puxico; as well as two beloved nephews, Brandon and Jared Coleman.

Sandra's circle of friends extended far and wide but none more special than Nicole Holloway, her lifelong best friend who stood by her through thick and thin.

Apart from her professional accomplishments, Sandra enjoyed immersing herself in the captivating worlds penned by John Grisham novels. Her quiet moments were often spent within the walls of Fairview Methodist Church where she found solace and community.

Though Sandra has bid farewell to this earthly realm, her spirit lives on in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing her kindness and warmth. As we mourn her loss, let us also celebrate the vibrant life she led and the love she shared with all those around her.

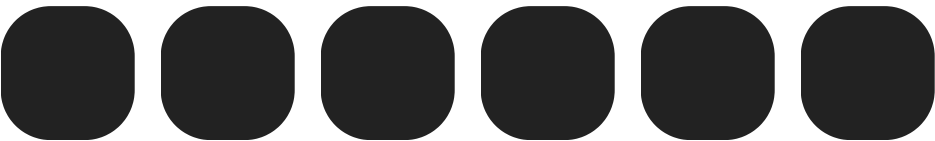
Sandra's life will be commemorated with a Visitation at Watkins Funeral Homes in Puxico on May 21, 2024, starting at 12:00 PM followed by a Funeral Service at 1:00 PM. The Interment will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Puxico at 2:00 PM. with Pastor Steve Jones officiating.

Rest in peace, Sandra Faye Carden.

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# In Memory of Debra Sue Bates

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## In Memory of Debra Sue Bates

Debra Sue Bates, fondly known as "Ellie," was born on September 2, 1958, in Saginaw, Michigan, to Daniel and Joyce Ileen (Cherry) Diam, and peacefully passed away on May 12, 2024, at her home in the loving presence of her husband, in Wappapello, Missouri.

Debra dedicated her life to being a loving housewife and brought light and joy into the lives around her. Her passion for horses, gardening, bird watching, motorcycle rides, scrapbooking, painting, and above all, her cherished moments with family defined her essence.

Debra was the former 1976 Homecoming Queen in Montrose, MI. After years of deliberation married her High School sweetheart, Robert Bates on January 27, 2024, in Wappapello, MO.

Debra is survived by her beloved husband, Robert Bates. She will be deeply missed by her four daughters: Missy Egan and Krista Crum of Flushing, MI; Mandy Cox of Clio, MI; and Bridgette Cox of Columbiaville, MI. Her legacy continues through nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Debra leaves behind seven brothers: Jeff Diam, Joe Diam, Mike Diam, John Diam, and Danny Diam of Montrose, MI; Jim Diam of Perry, MI; Rick Diam of Crossville, TN; as well as two sisters: Connie Stenchcomb of Flushing, MI; and Sharon St. Germain of Lansing, MI. and a host of family and friends.

Debra was preceded in death by her parents.

A visitation to honor Debra's life will be held on May 23 at Watkins Funeral Chapel in Puxico Missouri from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Following the visitation will be a Memorial Service starting at 1:00 PM. with Pastor Kenneth Lambert officiating.

Debra Sue Bates will forever be remembered for her kind heart, warm spirit, and unwavering love for her family. May she rest in peace knowing she was cherished by all who knew her.

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