#### **Obituaries**



## In Memory of Charles Edward Hill

AUGUST 27TH 2024 BY DEE LOFLIN

#### In Memory of Charles Edward Hill

Charles Edward Hill, born on September 10, 1959, in Parma, Missouri, to William K. Hill and Harriet (McKeller) Hill, left his earthly life on August 23, 2024, in Essex, Missouri. His journey through life was marked by heartfelt connections, hard work, and a passion for the simple joys that brought him happiness.

Charles dedicated much of his professional life to a meaningful career at Tyson Foods, where he worked in the sanitation department. His commitment and diligence were admired by many, and he took pride in ensuring a clean and safe environment for his colleagues and community.

An individual's essence can often be reflected in their hobbies, and Charles was a man who found immense joy in the great outdoors. He loved to fish, hunt, and immerse himself in drawing and construction work. These activities not only filled his leisure hours but also brought together friends and family, creating lasting memories that will be cherished forever.

He leaves behind two sons, Travis Rand of Springfield, MO, and Mario Robinson of Biloxi, MI, along with two daughters, Latisha Rand of Lilbourn, MO, and Charletta Robinson of Pascagoula, MS. The warmth and laughter of several grandchildren will forever echo in the hearts of those who knew him. Charles is also survived by three brothers, Ben Hill of Chicago, IL, Ernest Hill of Marion, IN, and Chester Hill of Essex, MO; and three sisters, Willie Lee Bailey of Malden, MO, Mabel Jacobs of Bernie, MO, and Annie Thompson of Essex, MO. A special cousin and best friend, Glen Cole of Essex, MO, stood by him throughout their lives, sharing laughter and life's moments.

Though Charles has departed from this earthly realm, his spirited presence will be deeply missed. He reunited with his beloved parents and departed siblings: five brothers, Kenneth, Marvin, John Lee, Donnie, and Calvin; as well as three sisters, Betty Gay, Mildred Hill, and Mary Burks.

As family and friends come together to honor Charles's memory, let us remember his indomitable spirit, love for his family, and the joy he found in life's adventures. Visitation will be held on August 31, 2024, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, followed by a funeral service at noon at Watkins Funeral Homes in Dexter, Missouri. His journey will culminate in interment at Macedonia Cemetery in Malden, MO, at 1:00 PM.

Charles Edward Hill's legacy of love, hard work, and the beauty of shared experiences will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. His life was a testament to the joy of simple pleasures and the bonds of family that hold us together.

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## In Memory of Brenda Gail Caplinger

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#### In Memory of Brenda Gail Caplinger

Brenda Gail Caplinger, daughter of the late Wayne Rodery and Helen Blevins Rodery, was born on December 8, 1953, in St. Louis, Missouri, and departed this life on August 23, 2024, at Winchester Nursing Center in Bernie, Missouri, at the age of 70 years.

Mrs. Caplinger was a former office manager and a former certified nursing assistant at Winchester Place in Bernie. She enjoyed cooking, watching old movies, and shopping at thrift stores and antique stores. She loved to read and spend time with her grandchildren, and she loved animals, rescuing a lot of them throughout her life.

She is survived her son, Kevin Whittenberg and wife Summer of Risco, Missouri; by her daughter, Sara Nash and husband Travis of Malden, Missouri; by three brothers, Tim Rodery of Bernie, Missouri, Darrell Rodery and wife Joann, of Bernie, Missouri, and Kenneth Rodery and wife Becky of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by her sister, Karen Rodery Hunter of Louisville, Kentucky; and by five grandchildren, Brandon Whittenberg, Blake Nash, Carson Nash, Kinley Nash, and Ethan Nash.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by three grandchildren, Erin Whittenberg, Darcy Whittenberg, and Samuel Whittenberg.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Monday, August 26, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, August 26, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Dale Hartle officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Dexter Animal Shelter, 601 E Grant Street, Dexter, Missouri 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Wyman "Rudy" Stewart

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#### In Memory of Wyman "Rudy" Stewart

Wyman "Rudy" Stewart, son of the late William Frank Stewart and Alma Bollinger Stewart was born on August 7, 1933, at Bloomfield, Missouri and departed this life on August 23, 2024 at his residence in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 91.

Rudy was a veteran of the United States Army and was a resident of Dexter. He was a long-time member of the First General Baptist Church in Dexter and was insurance salesman for Prudential Life Insurance Company. He enjoyed tinkering with and collecting lawn mowers and small tractors. He enjoyed auctions, driving around and visiting with people, and meeting up with his friends at McDonalds in the morning for coffee.

On February 23, 1954, he was united in marriage to Phyllis J. Carney in Sardis, Mississippi. Mrs. Stewart preceded him in death on January 8, 2015.

He is survived by his son Brent Stewart and wife Kiesha of Dexter, Missouri; by his daughter, Denya Stewart Thurston of O'Fallon, Missouri; by his grandchildren, Miya Switser and husband Daniel, Kailey McCutchen and husband Jeff, Kara Smith and husband David, and Alexis Thurston Dieter and husband Max; and by nine great-grandchildren, Charlotte Switser, Ben Switser, Reagan McCutchen, Connor McCutchen, Colin McCutchen, Hayden Smith, McKenzie Smith, Wilson Smith, and Olivia Dieter.

Other than by his wife and parents he was preceded in death by his son, Wyman Lee Stewart; by his brothers, Clellen Stewart and Cloid Stewart; and by his sister, Ruby Miller.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri. Funeral services will then be conducted on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel with Rev. Justin Cook officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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# In Memory of Laura Lea Tanner

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### In Memory of Laura Lea Tanner

Laura Lea Tanner, daughter of Lisa Tanner Brewer of Puxico, Missouri and the late Claude Hemby was born on December 30, 1983, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on August 20, 2024, in Puxico, Missouri at the age of 40.

Laura was a member of the Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter and was a resident of Puxico. She graduated from Puxico High School, then attended the Mingo Job Corp and earned her CNA license from there. She later attended Elite Trucking in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, earned her CDL and had worked for RMC Trucking in Dudley, Missouri. Laura was always up for anything and enjoyed making people laugh. She enjoyed Chinese food, driving and going shopping. She loved spending time with her family, especially her kids and grandchild.

She was engaged to Anthoney Richard of Puxico, Missouri. Mr. Richard survives her.

Along with her fiancé and mother, she is survived by her daughter Janaya Tanner of Puxico, Missouri; by her son Jayceon Tanner of Puxico, Missouri; her grandchild, Tucker Tanner-Harris of Puxico, Missouri; her brother, Jason Tanner of Puxico, Missouri; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Perry and June Richie of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; and by many extended family members and friends.

Other than by her father, she was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Norman Tanner and Mary Tanner Durall.

Visitation will be held at Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter on Saturday, September 7, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. A memorial service will then be conducted at Lighthouse Christian Church on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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## In Memory of Abbigail Rose Dellinger

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#### In Memory of Abbigail Rose Dellinger

Abbigail Rose Dellinger, a sweet little bundle of joy, was born on August 17, 2024, but she flew up to the big playground in the sky on the very same day, making her time here so very short but oh-so-special! She was loved by so many, wiggling into the hearts of everyone around her.

Her mommy, Angela LaSha (Summers) Dellinger, and her daddy, Michael Wilson Dellinger, were so happy to welcome their precious baby girl into their family home. She had five big brothers who were super excited to be protective and silly around their little sis: Brendan Dellinger, Christopher Dellinger, Gabriel Dellinger, Zachary Gurney all of Advance, Missouri, and her brother Jonathan Dellinger of Puxico, Missouri. And let's not forget her four big sisters, Amberly Dellinger of Advance, Missouri, Samantha Dellinger, and Cheyanne Dellinger of Puxico, Missouri, plus sweet Hannah all the way in Texas, who would have loved to dress her up in all the cutest outfits!

Abbigail's family was super blessed to have her paternal grandpa, Wilson Dellinger, in Puxico, Missouri, and her loving maternal grandma, Glenda Rohan, who surely sent lots of cuddly thoughts to their young princess.

A sad goodbye will happen at her Graveside Service on August 20, 2024, at 2:00 PM at Puxico Cemetery.

Though she was only here for a teeny tiny moment, Abbigail Rose Dellinger brought more love than anyone could ever count!

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