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## In Memory of Ralph Rodgers

MARCH 17TH 2025 BY DEE LOFLIN

### In Memory of Ralph Rodgers

Ralph Rodgers, son of the late Earl Victor Rodgers and Berneice Harty Rodgers, was born on December 25, 1945, in Puxico, Missouri and departed this life on March 12, 2025, at Mercy Hospital Stoddard at the age of 79 years.

Mr. Rodgers was a self-employed contractor with his wife for many years. He loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren and enjoyed watching them play sports. Everyone loved him and he loved people. He was a resident of Advance, Missouri.

On July 17, 1965, in St. Louis Missouri, he united in marriage to Carolyn Gilooly. Mrs. Rodgers survives of their home in Advance, Missouri.

Along with his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Ellen Rodgers of Bloomfield, Missouri; one sister, Bonnie Lankford of Bloomfield, Missouri; four grandchildren, Hayley (Keith) Cobb, Logan (Sierra) Luttrull, Macey (Brian) Wilcox, and Seth Luttrull; and nine great-grandchildren, Leyton Cobb, Lola Cobb, Liam Luttrull, Lydia Luttrull, Case Wilcox, Hattie Wilcox, Colt Wilcox, Sterling Wilcox, and Brynlee Luttrull.

Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Andrea Luttrull; and one sister, Wanda Mueller.

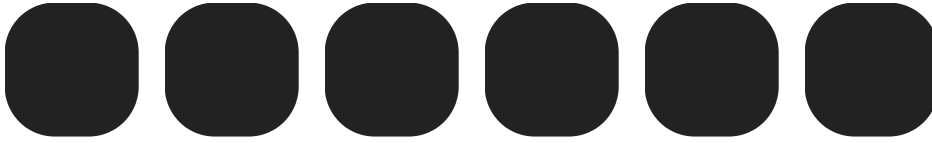
A family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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## In Memory of Fred Lincoln Scherer Jr.

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### In Memory of Fred Lincoln Scherer Jr.

Fred Lincoln Scherer Jr. was born July 20, 1949, and died on March 15, 2025 surrounded by his loving family and friends at Mercy Hospital in Cape Girardeau.

Fred was the son of Fred Lincoln Scherer Sr. and Alice Lee Scherer Gardner. He was preceded in death by both his mother and father, stepfather Dempsey Gardner, mother and father-in-law Louie and Sylvia Perry, brother-in-law Mike Perry and wife Rozella.

He married the love of his life Christy Perry in 1976, who survives the home. Also surviving includes sons Lincoln (Allie) Scherer and Gabe (Janice) Scherer and four grandchildren Linc, Sterling, Louie and Ellie Scherer. Sisters, Susan (Don) Friese, Teresa (Mike) Wells, brother Scott (Laura) Scherer.

Nephews, Wesley, Winston, Adam, Peter, Sam, Will, Greg, Bert, Russell and niece Miya.

Extended family Buddy (Connie) Gardner, Carolyn (Victor) Gardner Mireles and family.

Fred was a proud 1967 graduate of Sikeston High School. He graduated from Westminster College in Fulton, MO in 1971. In 1975 he graduated from the Kansas City School of Law with a Juris Doctor Degree.

In 1986 Fred was selected to be one of the first members of the Agriculture Leadership of Tomorrow Program. He was a 28-year member of the Bell City Rotary Club. He was on the Board of Education at the Bell City School District for 27 years. He was also a member of the Advance Knights of Columbus. Aside from farming, he was also the administrator of the Advance Nursing Center from 2003-2023.

Fred briefly practiced law in the 1970's but his true passion was farming. He was a true steward of the land. To Fred, every day on the farm was a great day, even in the wettest of springs, hot dry summers or a mudem out fall. His decision to come back to the farm never wavered and he would proudly tell you that! His nights were spent somewhere

watching Lincoln and Gabe play basketball or baseball. These were by far some of Fred's happiest years. He later proudly carried on this tradition with his grandchildren. As an adoring "Papaw" to Linc, Sterling, Louie and Ellie, he loved to spoil them with donuts on Saturday mornings, Trident gum and Dum-Dum suckers. We looked to him for advice and wise counsel. It might not have always been what we wanted to hear but we knew it came from his heart. He was a true gentleman in every sense of the word and we will miss him every single day.

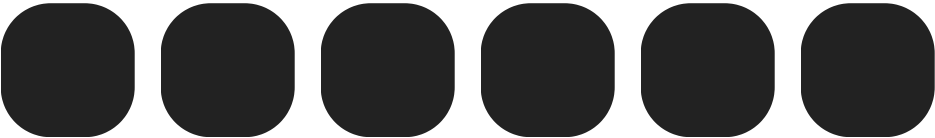
Visitation will be on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Morgan Funeral Home in Advance, MO. A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Advance. Burial will follow at St. Dennis Catholic Cemetery in Benton, MO.

Memorial donations may be made to 18 Fore Life or the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

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## In Memory of Jesse Byron “Pee Wee”

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## In Memory of Jesse Byron “Pee Wee”

Jesse Byron “Pee Wee” Pritchard, son of the late James Homer Pritchard and Mildred Kerr, was born on December 29, 1948, in Gideon, Missouri, and departed this life on March 11, 2025, at his residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Mr. Pritchard was a Veteran of the United States Army and truck driver for PTI. In his free time, he enjoyed riding his Harley.

He is survived by three sons, John Sanders (Jessica), Adam Eagle, and Aaron McBroom all of Dexter, Missouri; by two daughters, Jolene Battles (Levi) of Bloomfield, Missouri, and Chelsee Stephens (Terry) of Chaffee, Missouri; by his daughter-in-law, Melissa Harris of Perryville, Missouri; by his brother, James Homer Pritchard Jr. of Perryville, Missouri; and by twenty grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his significant other, Alice Eagle; by his son, Stan Harris; by his daughter, Jackie Sanders, and by two brothers, John Pritchard and Arlo Pritchard.

Graveside services will be held at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. with full military honors.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Jack Floyd Rodgers

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## In Memory of Jack Floyd Rodgers

Jack Floyd Rodgers, son of the late Opal Floyd Rodgers and Ellen Turnage Rodgers, was born on May 25, 1933, in Essex, Missouri, and departed this life on March 12, 2025, at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 91 years.

Mr. Rodgers was a Veteran of the United States Army and the former owner of Countywide Abstract & Title in Dexter, Missouri. He was a trustee, treasurer, deacon, Sunday school teacher and member of First General Baptist Church in Dexter, and a resident of Dexter. He was a member of the Dexter Rotary club for 50 years with perfect attendance, a former president of the Dexter Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Missouri Land Title Association, a former member of the Dexter School Board and a former member of the Dexter Library Board.

On September 7, 1956, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Melba Barker. Mrs. Rodgers survives of their home in Dexter.

Along with his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Teresa Overall and husband Jim of Dexter, Missouri; by his son-in-law, Gene Smith and wife Janet of Dexter, Missouri; by his sister, Patricia Rodgers of Dexter, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Heather Ryan (Jason), Emily Wilburn, Allison Traughber (Josh), and Garrett Wray (Elisha); by five step grandchildren, Matt Overall, Josh Overall, Melissa Smith, Billy Smith and Kimberly Lewallen; and by eleven great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Lisa Rodgers Smith; by his son-in-law, Phil Wray; and by his brother, Roy Gerald Rodgers.

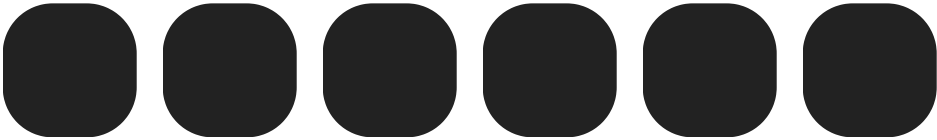
Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, March 15, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Justin Cook officiating. Interment will follow in Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First General Baptist Church, 27 E Caster Street, Dexter, MO 63841 or Keller Public Library, 402 West Grant Street, Dexter, MO 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Carolyn Kay Scales

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In Memory of Carolyn Kay Scales

Carolyn Kay Scales, daughter of the late Rueben Whitehead and Louise Green Whitehead, was born in Campbell, Missouri on February 12, 1941 and departed this life at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri on March 9, 2025 at the age of 84.

Mrs. Scales had worked at Brown Shoe Company she ran samples, she later worked at Paramount Hat Factory in Dexter. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary American Legion in Malden, Missouri and was a member of Bethany General Baptist Church of Rural Campbell, Missouri.

She was united in marriage to Joe Marion Scales in Campbell, Missouri on April 18, 1964. Mr. Scales preceded his wife in death on April 8, 2019.

Survivors include one son, Joe Anthony Scales and wife Laura of Dade City, Florida; by her daughter, Kelly Owens and husband Dwight of Bernie, Missouri; by one brother, Mike Whitehead of Bernie, Missouri; by her sister-in-law, Annita Hurley of Bernie; by four grandchildren, Lindsey Scales, Rachel Scales, Krystal Hobgood and husband Derek and Waylon Owens and wife Kendra; by five great-grandchildren, Bella, Mila and Vance Owens and Dalton and Cane Hobgood; also by other relatives and

friends.

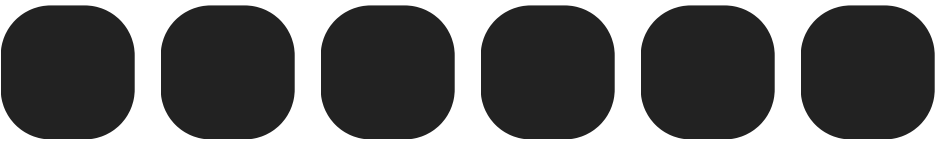
Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Funeral services will be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie on Wednesday morning, March 12, 2025 starting at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow in Missouri State Veterans Cemetery, Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with all arrangements.

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