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# In Memory of Evelyn Janevee Higdon

JANUARY 08TH 2018 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Evelyn Janevee “Jan” Higdon, 92, returned to her heavenly home on January 6, 2018, at Delta South Nursing Home with her family by her side. The last several weeks has been spent in reflection and reminiscing of special moments throughout the years. Tears of laughter and sadness has been shared when remembering these cherished memories.

Jan’s earthly journey began on March 5, 1925, in Arkansas to the late Guy and Golie Vines. She was the oldest of six: one brother, the late Burl Vines; and four sisters: Emma Lou Warf, Freda Reid, Ellen Grady, and Ruthetta Hunt. She spent much of her time “mothering” her siblings. Growing up in a strong Christian home paved the way for the Christian pillar of strength that so many have come to know. Shortly after, God sent the love of her life, Thomas Higdon.

On May 10, 1941, they were united in marriage in Mathews, Mo. Throughout the course of her life, Jan worked at Elder’s Factory, as a cook at Bloomfield Schools, and a homemaker. Influenced by her Christian upbringing, she fostered the same principles as a wife and mother in her own home. To her daughter Shari, she was a talented seamstress, amazing chef, and strict disciplinarian who never raised her voice. She was an active member of St. Joe General Baptist Church where she was a Sunday School teacher, a Christmas Program director, a Bible School volunteer, a prayer warrior, and a fantastic contributor to any potluck dinner.

Known as “Nana” by those closest to her, she would frequently be seen in the church kitchen, rocking babies, and with that knowing, tight-lipped grin in place. She regularly

attended a ladies’ devotion and quilting group where she socialized with her friends. Jan was committed to visiting friends who were ill and unable to get out.

To cherish these memories, Jan leaves behind her daughter and son-in-law, Shari & Terry Stickles; two granddaughters and their spouses, Emily & Jonathan Sipp and Hannah & Tim Baldwin; five great-grandchildren: Anna Grace, Sarah Beth, and Jackson Cade Sipp and Autumn and Brittany Baldwin; and her four sisters.

Her Homecoming was attended by both parents; her husband; an infant daughter, Rebecca Janice Higdon; and her brother.

Friends are invited to a visitation with the family from 5-8 PM on Monday evening, January 8, 2018, at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Mo.

A celebration of Jan’s life will be conducted at 11 AM, Tuesday, January 9, 2018, with interment to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Sikeston, Mo.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Joe General Baptist Church or 18 Fore Life. Envelopes will be provided in the Chapel.

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# In Memory of Doris Ann Leslie

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## In Memory of Doris Ann Leslie

Doris Ann Leslie of Puxico, daughter of the late Delbert and Mildred Ashbaugh Townsend, was born in Puxico, on September 9, 1937, and passed away at the Puxico Nursing & Rehab Center in Puxico, Missouri on January 6, 2018, at the age of 80 years, 3 months and 27 days.

Doris had lived in Granite City Illinois, and Sioux Falls, South Dakota before moving to Puxico in 1985. She had worked in commercial laundry service. She enjoyed cooking and gardening.

On October 1, 1955 in Tunica Mississippi she married James Leslie he survives in the home in Puxico.

Surviving are three daughters, Joan Frintz of House Springs, Missouri, Karen Woods of Farmington, Missouri, and Carol Harrington, of Ballwin, Missouri; one grandson, Jason Woods; one great granddaughter Coty Woods; one sister, Donna Reining of Mesa Arizona. Other relatives and many friends also survive. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by one sister, Sharon Holem and one brother, John MacDonald Townsend.

Visitation will be Tuesday, January 9, 2018, from 10:00 to 12:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico, Missouri.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Puxico with Bro. Buck Cruse of Puxico officiating.

Interment will be in the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri with Watkins & Sons Funeral Service of Puxico in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at [www.watkinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.watkinsfuneralhome.com).

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## In Memory of Calvin John LeGrand

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### In Memory of Calvin John LeGrand

Calvin John LeGrand, 79, of Oran passed away Friday, January 5, 2018 at his daughter's home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on Feb. 9, 1938 in Oran to the late Zeno and Weldon Antonia Stike LeGrand.

Calvin was a retired dispatcher and operator for I.C.G. Railroad Co. He was a member of Guardian Angel Catholic Church in Oran. Calvin was a member of the Knights of Columbus #4311 in Oran. He was an avid horseman; he enjoyed providing the horse and wagon rides for the K.C. 4th of July Picnic in Oran and hosting friends and family at the farm. Calvin also loved playing pool at the K.C. hall. As a side job he delivered the daily newspaper for forty plus years.

He is survived by two daughters, Lisa (Richard) Scherer of Benton; Lorena (Steven) Gebhardt of Oran ; two brothers, Ronnie LeGrand of Dexter, Sam LeGrand of Cape Girardeau; four sisters, Judith King of Oran, Betty Stewart of Clinton, Mississippi, Arlene Harrell of Chaffee, Sandy Hahn of Oran; eight grandchildren, Dylan, Gage, Reece & Jude Scherer and Shelby, Dustin, Samuel & Sophia Gebhardt. He is also survived by a Godmother and Aunt Arabella Stike of Cape Girardeau.

He was also preceded in death by one brother, Norman LeGrand and two sisters, Ruth Ann Urhahn and Marilyn Diebold.

Friends may call after 3:00 pm on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at Amick-Burnett Funeral Chapel in Oran. Parish Prayers will be at 4:00 pm followed by K.C. Prayer service.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 am on Monday at Guardian Angel Catholic Church with Rev. Randy Tochtrop as celebrant. Burial will be at Guardian Angel Catholic Cemetery in Oran.

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## In Memory of Floyd Sodie Hampton

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### In Memory of Floyd Sodie Hampton

Floyd "Sodie" Hampton, 89, of Malden died Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at The Village of St. Peters in St. Peters, MO.

He was a salesman for the Morton Salt Company of Chicago, a partner in Hampton Insurance and Real Estate and an agent for Farmers Insurance Group for 26 years.

Sodie attended the Cross Country Trail ride in Eminence, MO. for 47 consecutive years and was a long time auctioneer.

Born in Malden, MO. on May 13, 1928 he was the son of Felix Sr. and Fletie Hampton.

On January 14, 1985 he was united in marriage to Ruth Whiteley, who survives. He was preceded in death by 8 brothers: Herbert, Fred, Victor, Clarence, Walter, Wyman, David and Felix Jr.; 4 sisters: Mattie, Ruth, Helen and Maxine. Survivors include: 2 sons-Bill Hampton and wife, Connie, of DeLand, FL.; John Hampton and wife Peggy, of Malden, MO; 2 step children-Charles Whiteley and wife Ava of St. Peters, MO; Jodie Schieferle and husband, Mark of Naples, FL; 2 grandchildren William R. Hampton and J.J. Hampton, 2 great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 9:00 AM at Landess Funeral Home.

Funeral services will follow at 10:30 AM in the chapel with Reverends Aulden LeBlanc and James Hamlett officiating.

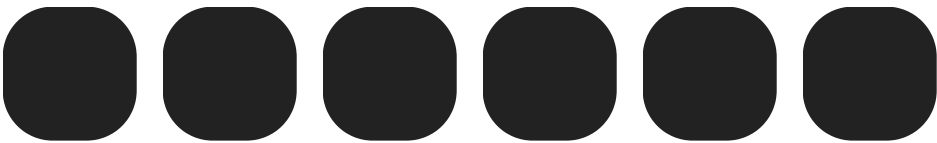
A private burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery in Malden, MO.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to a church or charity of your choosing.

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# In Memory of Crystal Lynn Carter Thomas

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Crystal Lynn Carter Thomas, daughter of Judy Smiley Carter and the late Sherman Carter, was born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on December 2, 1979 and departed this life at her residence in Bernie, Missouri on January 4, 2017 at the age of 38.

Ms. Thomas was a waitress and a resident of Rural Bernie, Missouri.

Survivors include her mother, Judy Carter of Bernie, Missouri; by three sons, Javin Thomas of Bernie, Missouri, Jadin Thomas and Jace Thomas both of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by one brother, Bryan Carter of Harviell, Missouri; also by other relatives and friends.

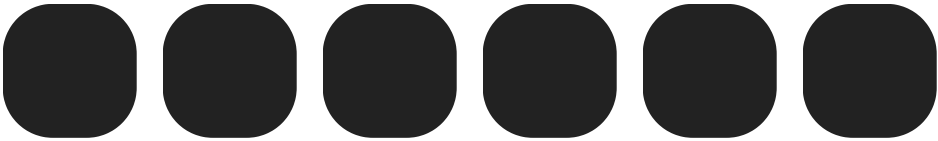
She was preceded in death other than by her father, Sherman Carter, by one brother, Darrin Carter; by one sister, Tracie Carter Young.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Saturday, January 6, 2018 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie at 1:00 P.M. Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery. Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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