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## In Memory of Rila “Tom” Thomas Fairchild

JANUARY 13TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

### In Memory of Rila “Tom” Thomas Fairchild

Rila “Tom” Thomas Fairchild, son of the late Orvial Fairchild and Hattie Pry Fairchild, was born on January 13, 1926 in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on January 7, 2020 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 93 years.

Mr. Fairchild was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in World War II. He was a retired carpenter and a resident of Dexter, Missouri.

On August 25, 1945, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Mary Masterson. Tom and Mary were married for 74 years. Mrs. Fairchild survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Libby Parks and husband Bill of Benton, Missouri; and by his grandson, Wade Parks of Quantico, Virginia.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers; and by five sisters.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, January 12, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Services will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery at Bloomfield.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of all arrangements.

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## In Memory of Reba W. Ward

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### In Memory of Reba W. Ward

Reba W. Ward of Jackson, daughter of late Freda Frank "Pete" and Ella Miller Brazel, was born in Dexter on March 28, 1932, and passed away at the St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on January 10, 2020, at the age of 87 years, 9 months and 13 days.

She lived in Dexter most of her life and moved to Jackson four years ago. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dexter. She had worked at Hamra's and Stovall's Department Stores and later was a rural mail carrier.

On November 17, 1951, she was married to James C. "Jack" Ward. He preceded her in death on December 25, 2000.

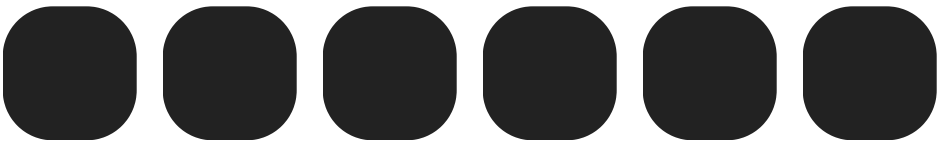
Surviving are two sons and wives, Rick & Lauri Ward of Haslet, Texas, Treye & Carol Ward of Fruitland, Missouri; eleven grandchildren; several great grandchildren. Other relatives and friends survive. She was preceded in death by two sons, Chuck and Shane Ward, a daughter, Judy Blackler and one brother, Jim Brazel.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, after 11:00 am at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home in Dexter until time of services at 2:00 pm with the Bro.Skylor Guess of Walnut Ridge, Arkansas officiating. Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter will be in charge of all arrangements.

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# In Memory of Thomas Gregory Uht

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Thomas Gregory "Greg" Uht, age 61, of Jackson, Missouri, passed away January 1, 2020. He entered this life December 9, 1958, in Cape Girardeau, the son of Jean Ann (Dillworth) Uht and George (GW) Walker.

He is preceded in death by his father and brother, Bobby Pullam.

Greg’s passion for the great outdoors brought on the craftsmanship of creating objects out of wood. With hands and heart, Greg worked in construction throughout his life. He delighted in the thrill of viewing drag races and airshows. It is said that Greg never met a stranger and was a master of making people laugh. He absolutely adored his grandkids and memories will live on in those who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his daughter, Heather Uht of New Madrid, Missouri; daughter, Amy Brakhane of Galena, Missouri; grandkids: Tyler, Tori, Breanna, Paige, and Liam; mother, Jean Ann Burnett of Piedmont, Missouri; sister, Donna (Bill) Shelton of Piedmont, Missouri; brother, Ricky Uht of Bloomfield, Missouri; many nieces and nephews; and close friends.

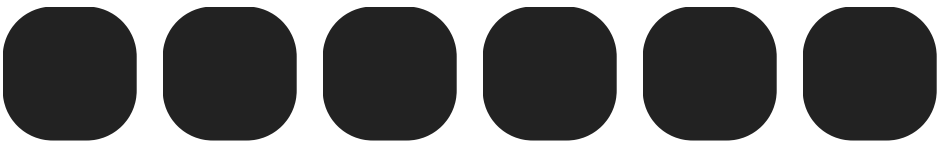
A private memorial service will be planned at a later time. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude.

Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Cremations of the Ozarks.

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# In Memory of Mary Bonee

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## In Memory of Mary Bonee

Mary Bonee of Parma, daughter of late Henry Estell and Mammie Lucille Gamble Turner, was born in on May 29, 1948, and passed away at her granddaughter, Ashlee's home in Parma, Missouri on January 5, 2020, at the age of 71 years, 8 month and 24 days.

She lived in the Clarkton area most of her life and worked at Crowley Ridge Nursing Home in the laundry before retiring then she moved to Parma 2 years ago.

Her life long partner Ray T. Jones Sr. who has preceded her in death on December 9, 2006. She was of the Pentecostal Faith.

Surviving are her children; three sons, Ray T. Jones Jr; Randy Jones, and Robert Johnson, all of Dexter, Missouri, four daughters, Brenda Jones, of Sikeston, Ann Craver of Catron, Christy Norman of Dexter, and Debbie West of Dexter; twenty-three grandchildren; twenty-two great grandchildren; one brother Eugene Turner of Kentucky. Other relatives and friends survive. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Burl and Buddy Turner; two sisters Sarah Mikel, Gracie Bradley, one granddaughter Tori Green, and grandsons Anthony and Alex McAfee .

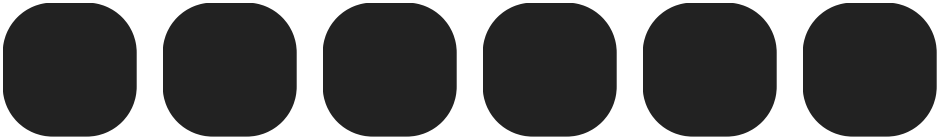
Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. at the Watkins & Sons Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be held on Wednesday at 2:00 pm with Rev. Tim Russell of Dexter, Missouri officiating with the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home of Dexter will be in charge of all the arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.watkinsfuneralhome.com](http://www.watkinsfuneralhome.com)

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# In Memory of Michael Wayne Pruitt

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## In Memory of Michael Wayne Pruitt

Michael Wayne Pruitt, son of the late George C. VanPool and Wilma J. Courter VanPool, was born on March 17, 1950 in Malden, Missouri and departed this life on January 4, 2020 at Southeast Health in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 69 years.

Mr. Pruitt owned a collision repair shop and was a resident of Bloomfield, Missouri. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding horses and riding his Harley.

On February 7, 1970, in Libertyville, Illinois, he was united in marriage to Brenda Fotsch. Mrs. Pruitt survives of their home in Bloomfield.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Alysia Pruitt-Gregg and husband Bradley of Columbia, Tennessee and Melinda Pruitt of Bloomfield, Missouri; by his sister, Anita Duba of Bloomfield, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Esther Gregg, Alexis Gregg, Nicodemus Gregg, and Effigenia Gregg; and by eleven nieces and nephews,

Joshua Fotsch, Krystal Crecelius, Bradley Fotsch, Erica Fotsch, Kevin Fotsch, Christy Sindle, Melody Patrick, Kassia Raines, Holly Gilbert, Dillon Rickman, and Hailey Keeney.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Darris Gene Pruitt.

Friends may call at Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, January 10, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

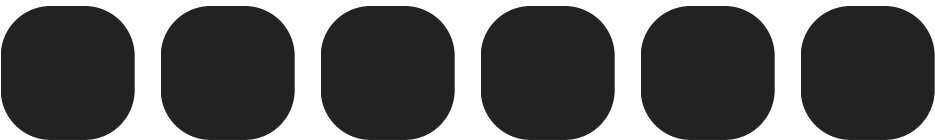
A memorial service will then be conducted in the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel on Friday, January 10, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. with Rev. Brad Gregg officiating.

Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of all arrangements.

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