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## In Memory of Lee R. Kure

FEBRUARY 05TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

#### In Memory of Lee R. Kure

Lee R. Kure, age 62, left this world unexpectedly, but in peace on January 31, 2020 at his residence. Born on July 7, 1957 in Joliet, Illinois to Raymond and Joylyn (Boldt) Kure.

Formerly of Lockport, Illinois, where he attended Kelvin Grove Grade School, Lockport Township High School, and was a former member of Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church.

Lee moved to Puxico, Missouri 20 years ago, where he retired early and enjoyed a leisurely life, fishing in the lakes near his home. As a teen, Lee was a 4-H member who enjoyed working on his grandfather, Clarence Boldt's farm in Lemont, Illinois. He was fond of nature, animals, and had a great love of dogs. Lee enjoyed traveling, hiking, and camping on family trips to National Parks in western USA. Lee had a good sense of humor, and also played a good game of pool - one of his favorite pastimes.

Preceded in death by his father, Raymond A. Kure.

Survived by his mother, Joylyn (Boldt) Kure of Lockport, Illinois; one sister, Kelly Kure of Sarasota, Florida; one daughter, Jennifer (Dennis) Franklin of Naples, Florida; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; Survived by aunts, cousins, and friends.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Online condolences can be made at mathisfuneralhomes.com.

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

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# In Memory of Shirley Young

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### In Memory of Shirley Young

Shirley Young, daughter of the late Joseph Hurst and Clara Hildebrand Hurst was born on December 15, 1938 in St. Louis, Missouri and departed this life at her residence in Oran on February 3, 2020 at the age of 81 years.

Mrs. Young was a former employee at the Oran International Hat Factory, T & H grocery in Oran and Amerimart in Benton, Missouri before her retirement. She was also a member of the Guardian Angel Church.

She was first united in marriage to Walter Don Vance in Oran. Mr. Vance preceded her in death on August 2, 2015. She was then united in marriage Gene Young in Blodgett, Missouri and he preceded her in death on July 20, 2009.

Survivors include three daughters, Jeannine Stause (Scott) or Oran, Debra Frala (Brian) of Oran, and Kimberly Crump (Billy) of Scott City; by thirteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Besides her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Keith Allen Vance, two brothers, Richard Hurst and Arlen Hurst.

Visitation will be held at the Amick-Burnett Funeral Home in Oran from 4:00 until 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 6, 2020 with a prayer mass at 4:00 P.M.

Funeral mass will be conducted on Friday, February 7, 2020 at the Guardian Angel Catholic Church at 10:00 A.M. with Father Randy Tochtrop officiating.

Interment will follow in the Forest Hills Cemetery near Morley.

Pallbearers: Ryan Frala, Mike Bramlett, Dylan Cooper, Steven Mock, Nick Cooper and Noah Crump.

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## In Memory of Joseph Henry Baccus

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### In Memory of Joseph Henry Baccus

Joseph Henry Baccus, son of the late Wallace Baccus and Helean Wyatt Baccus, was born on July 13, 1957 in Clarksville, Tennessee and departed this life on February 3, 2020 at Clearview Nursing Home in Sikeston, Missouri at the age of 62 years.

Mr. Baccus was a former manager of a poultry plant and a resident of Sikeston.

He is survived by his brother, Wayne Baccus and wife Kathy of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by two sisters, Georgia McAfee and husband David, and Sharon Motes, all of Sikeston, Missouri; and by two nephews, four nieces and twenty-two great nephews and nieces.

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

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## In Memory of Jackie Chester Bess

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#### In Memory of Jackie Chester Bess

Jackie Chester Bess, son of the late Ernest Bess and Mickey Cook Bess, was born on October 20, 1946 in Grayridge, Missouri and departed this life on February 2, 2020 at Southeast Health of Stoddard County at the age of 73 years.

Mr. Bess was a former forklift driver for Faurecia in Dexter, Missouri and a resident of Dexter. He enjoyed fishing on Lake Wappepello and watching St. Louis Cardinals Baseball. Jackie loved his family dearly. He spent his free time with his children and grandchildren; and loved to watch the kids play ball.

On April 15, 1967, in Essex, Missouri, he was untied in marriage to Peggy Frederick. Mrs. Bess survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife Peggy, he is survived by his son, Jack Bess Jr. of Dexter; by two daughters, Sherri Hann and husband Brad, and Karen Bess, all of Dexter; by two brothers, Kenneth Bess and wife Ruth of Bloomfield and Donald Bess and wife Gale of Dexter; by five sisters, Bonnie Jaco and husband Leon of Marble Hill, Betty Whitley and husband Michael of Dexter, Brenda O'Connell and husband Tony of Dexter, Janet Bracken and husband Joe of Bloomfield, and Shelia Bess of Dexter; by eight grandchildren, Victoria Bess, Kennedy Bess, Charlene Bess, Kaitlynne Hann, Nathan Hann, Parker Carnell, Zach Lesley, and Courtney Norman; and by his great-granddaughter, Avery Lesley.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Mary Jane Bess, in infancy.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow in the Hagy Cemetery.

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

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# In Memory of Harold Gene Williams

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### In Memory of Harold Gene Williams

Harold Gene Williams, son of the late James B. Williams and Ethel Parrish Williams, was born on June 26, 1935, in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on January 29, 2020 at Southeast Health in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 84 years.

Mr. Williams graduated from Dexter High School in 1954, where he was a four-year varsity letterman in football and a member of the Dexter D-Club. In 1959, he started his trucking business. He owned and operated Williams Moving Company of Dexter and Heavy Duty Truck Lines of Bloomfield. Anyone that did business with him, knew him as a hard-working, honest man. Harold was a member of the American Moving and Storage Association. He was a member and former board member of the Independent Movers Conference. He was a member and former president of the Missouri Movers Association. He was a member and chairman of the board, until his retirement, of the

Missouri Movers Risk Management Trust. Harold devoted his life to supporting his community and in 1988, he won the Daily Statesman Community Service Award. He was a member of the Dexter Kiwanis Club, Dexter Chamber of Commerce, and the Original Dexter Jaycees. He was the first president of the Dexter Community Betterment, he worked on the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Industrial Committee, and he served on the Scenic By-way Committee. He was instrumental in establishing Dexter Memorial Hospital and the Dexter Municipal Swimming Pool. Mr. Williams was an active member of First Baptist Church in Dexter and a resident of Dexter.

On June 30, 1956, in Bernie, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Elsie Odom. Mrs. Williams survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife Elsie, he is survived by his son, Rick Williams and wife Kim of Dexter, by his daughter, Vicky Busch and husband Mark of Cape Girardeau; by three grandchildren, Sarah Beard and husband Jason, Cale Williams and wife Lexi, and Meredith McLeod and husband Ross; and by five great-grandchildren, Carson, Eli, Delaney, William and Shepard.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, J. C. Williams, Sherrill Williams and Charles Williams.

Friends may call at First Baptist Church in Dexter on Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Mark Smith officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

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

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