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### In Memory of John A Prance, Jr

DECEMBER 28TH 2020 BY DEE LOFLIN

### In Memory of John A Prance, Jr

John A Prance, Jr., 72, of Dexter, Missouri passed away on Thursday, December 24, 2020 at Crowley Ridge Care Center in Dexter, Missouri.

John, son of the late John Albert Prance, Sr. and Velma Maxine Waltrip Prance, was born on March 31, 1948 near Clarkton, Missouri.

On November 28, 1968, he was united in marriage to Suzanne Smith Prance in Campbell, Missouri. He is survived by his wife Suzie, his daughter Julie Mangum and her husband Stacy of Dexter, Missouri. His son J.R. Prance and wife Katrina of Bloomfield, Missouri, by seven grandchildren Abby Mangum Nepean and her husband Trenton of Columbia, Missouri, Nate Mangum, Libby Mangum, Clay Prance, Blaine Prance, Adeline Prance and Levi Prance. His children and grandchildren were the light of his life. He is also survived by one sister Connie Prance Hampton and her Husband Bill of Deland, Florida.

He was a member of the Dexter church of Christ.

John moved his family to Dexter, Missouri in 1976 and embraced the community wholeheartedly. He had the heart of a servant and was always willing to volunteer and help in any capacity needed for his church or community. He was a member of the Stoddard County Civil Defense Unit (later called Emergency Management) and spent countless hours watching the skies in stormy weather to help protect the community. He never met a stranger and lived his life according to his father's philosophy that "if you can't joke and cut up in this life, the world would be a dull place to live." John proudly served his country as a member of the United States Air Force and was a Vietnam Veteran. He will be laid to rest at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri on Monday, December 28, 2020. Due to the covid pandemic no service is planned at this time and a public memorial service will be announced at a later date with full military honors.

Memorial donations may be made to the following: Children's Home, Inc. 5515 Walcott Rd., Paragould, AR 72450; Bootheel Youth Camp, 21200 CR 525, Bloomfield, MO 63825; or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN.

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## In Memory of Jeannie Kay Henson

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In Memory of Jeannie Kay Henson

Jeannie Kay Henson, daughter of the late Ivan and Mavis Tanner Britton was born on March 12, 1966 in Bloomfield, Missouri and departed this life on December 23, 2020 in her residence in Bloomfield at the age of 54.

Mrs. Henson had worked at Town and Country in Bloomfield and also at U.S. Poly in Dexter. She loved her family and spent the majority of her time loving and caring for them. She was a resident of Bloomfield.

On January 18, 1986 she was united in marriage to Harold Henson in Aquilla. Mr. Henson survives of their residence in Bloomfield.

Besides her husband she is survived by one son, Aron and wife Megan Henson of Bloomfield; by two daughters, Amy and husband Bobby Haas of Bloomfield, and Shelly and husband Zack Graham of Essex; by seven grandchildren, Collin James Henson, Amari Kay Tilley, Gary Gene Tilley, Charles Allen Graham, Colton Dwayne Haas, Riley Shae Haas and Kashton Ames Haas; by three brothers, Gary Britton, Steve Britton and Kevin Britton all of Sikeston, Missouri; by one sister, June Cochran of Sikeston, Missouri and by many loving brother in laws and sister in laws, extended family and friends.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, David Tanner and Billy Britton.

Visitation will be conducted on Monday, December 28, 2020 from Noon until 2:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted on Monday, December 28, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with Rev. Terry Berry officiating. Interment will follow at the Gravel Hill cemetery.

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### In Memory of Ruby Eve Davis

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In Memory of Ruby Eve Davis

Ruby Eve Davis, daughter of the late James Davis and Maggie Wiseman Davis was born on July 7, 1917 in Broseley, Missouri and departed this life on December 23, 2020 at The Springs of Jonesboro nursing home in Jonesboro, Arkansas at the age of 103 years

Mrs. Davis was a member of the Dexter Church of Christ, a former resident of Dexter and Bloomfield and currently residing in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

On January 6, 1940 she was united in marriage to Robert F. Davis in Gray Ridge, Missouri. He preceded her in death on October 12, 1992.

She is survived by three sons, James Davis and wife Jane of Whitehall, Arkansas, Larry Davis and wife Gwen of Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Richard Davis of Little Rock, Arkansas; by ten grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

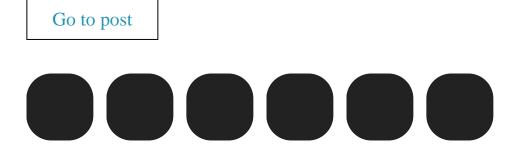
Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Jack Irving; and by her brother James Davis Jr.

Visitation will be conducted on Saturday, December 26, 2020 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. Graveside services will then be conducted on Saturday, December 26, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the Hagy Cemetery with Lloyd Davis officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Dexter Humane Society.

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# In Memory of Howard Milo Duer

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Howard Milo Duer, son of the late Dr. Milo Duer and Mary Anna Stone Duer, was born September 4, 1946 in Independence, Missouri, and departed this life on December 22, 2020 at Southeast Health, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 74 years.

Mr. Duer attended the First Baptist Church in Puxico and Cape Girardeau. He also was the pastor of Catron Baptist Church and later retired in 2017.

On June 29, 1965, he was united in marriage to Shirley Clinton in Puxico, Missouri. She survives of the home.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his two sons, John Duer and wife Dawn of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and Samuel Duer and wife Jolean of Dexter, Missouri; by his daughter, Susan Stone of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was also preceded in death by his sister, Sandra Brandt.

Visitation will be held at First Baptist Church in Puxico, Missouri on Monday, December 28, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. A funeral service will then be conducted in the First Baptist Church Chapel on Monday, December 28, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Douglas Clinton officiating. Interment will be in the Duck Creek Cemetery in rural Puxico, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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# In Memory of Ronald Eugene Gibbs

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In Memory of Ronald Eugene Gibbs

Ronald Eugene Gibbs, 70, of Nixa, Missouri passed away Sunday, December 20, 2020 at home.

Graveside Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, December 24, 2020 at the Dry Fork Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Ronald is survived by, loving wife of the home: Vickie Gibbs; children: Melissa Smith and husband Kevin of Springfield, MO and Brent Gibbs of Pocahontas, AR; brother: Mike Gibbs; sisters: Diane Gilmore and Marsha Williams and husband Jason; grandchildren: Austin Smith and wife Shelle, Steven Smith and wife Angel, Jakob Burns, Sarah Smith, Christian Gibbs, and Chyann Gibbs; great-grandchildren: Aubree and Elias; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Memorial Contributions may be made in memory of Ronald Eugene Gibbs to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and left at Wilson Mortuary.

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