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In Memory of Daniel Michael Long

APRIL 16TH 2021 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Daniel Michael Long

Daniel Michael Long, 72, of Essex, Missouri was born to the late Theron Cleveland and Edna Marie Robinson Long on August 6, 1949 in Essex, Missouri and passed away on February 10, 2021 in Essex, Missouri.

Mike had been a resident of Essex, Missouri for over thirty years he also lived in Texas. He retired from Amco metal industrial manufacturer in Sikeston as a machinist and enjoyed fishing, gardening and tinkering around with different things.

Surviving are his two sons Thomas Michael Long of Essex, Missouri and Darrol Lynn Long of Branson, Missouri; three brothers Ernie Long of Essex, Missouri, Darrol Long of Fulton, Missouri and Robin Long of Essex, Missouri; three sisters Shannon Heilman of Bloomfield, Missouri Sandra Mowry of Cherryville, Missouri Patricia Charest of St. Louis, Missouri; one grandson; A host of family and friends nieces and nephews also survive.

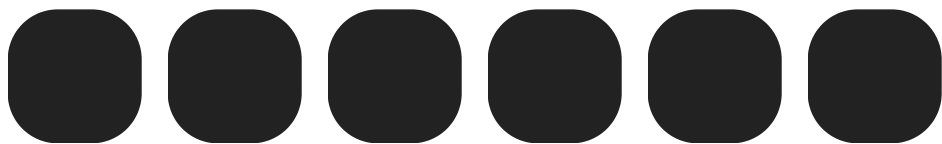
Mike was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, two sister.

Visitation will be held Thursday April 15, 2021 from 12:00 until 1:30 pm at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Bloomfield.

Interment will be in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, with full military honors.

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In Memory of Tommy Gene Blackburn

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Tommy Gene Blackburn of Parma, Missouri was born to the late Bob and Evelyn Aaron Blackburn on January 08, 1932 in Deering, Missouri and passed away on April 11, 2021 in Cypress Point Nursing Center in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 89 years.

Tommy has been a resident of Parma, Missouri most of his life. He was a member of the VFW of Parma and VFW of Lilbourn. He was a Veteran of Korean War where he received combat infantry, Korean service medal and the purple heart,

Tommy was married to Mildred Hardin on February 16, 1954 in Corinth, Mississippi. She preceded him in death on April 19, 2008.

Surviving are his three sons Chris Blackburn of Parma, Missouri, Carl (Kaye) Blackburn of New Madrid, Missouri and Sam (Janet) Blackburn of Sikeston, Missouri; six

grandchildren; twelve great grandchildren; seven great great grandchildren; one brother Charles Blackburn of Memphis, Tennessee; two sisters Chlotina Felker of Saint Louis Missouri and Pat Ann Tucker of Sun City, Arizona. Also a host of nieces and nephews survive. Tommy was preceded in death by three brothers Billy Blackburn, James Blackburn and Joe Blackburn and two sisters Earnestine Hood and Judy Hargis. Visitation will be held on Wednesday April 14, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter.

Graveside services to be held on Wednesday April 14, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. with full Military Honors. At the Malden Memorial Park Cemetery in Malden, Missouri with Brother Kevin Lawrence of Gideon, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow in the Malden Memorial Park Cemetery in Malden, Missouri with Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Jerry Charles Owens

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Jerry Charles Owens son of the late Orlie Owens and Esley Belle Stephens was born in Powe, Missouri on November 2, 1942 and departed this life at his residence in Bernie, Missouri on April 7, 2021 at the age of 78.

Mr. Owens was a part of Owens Brother Trucking for 20 years. Then he was Owner and Operator of his own Truck along with his wife Helen for 10 years. He also worked at the City of Bernie for 9 years in maintenance. He attended Bethany General Baptist Church of Rural Campbell.

He was united in marriage to Helen Estella Mayberry in Bernie, Missouri on January 27, 1961. Mrs. Owens survives in their home in Bernie.

Other survivors include one daughter, Rhonda Owens & partner Mike Blough of Pyletown, Missouri; by one grandson, Gene Jenkins & wife Allie of Bernie, Missouri; by two great-grandchildren, Madalynn & Spencer Jenkins; also by other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death other than by his parents, by three brothers, Buford Owens, Ruben Owens, Bill Owens; by three sisters, Pat Johnson, Amy Green and Theeta Cokley.

No services are being planned at this time. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Norval Charles Franklin Worley

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In Memory of Norval Charles Franklin Worley

Norval Charles Franklin Worley, son of the late William Seward Worley and Ester Mae Wilkerson Worley, was born on May 20, 1924 in Aid, Missouri, and departed this life on April 7, 2021 at his daughter's residence in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, at the age of 96 years.

Mr. Worley was a veteran of the United States Navy. He served on the USS Putnam during World War II and he saw action in Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and the Philippines. He retired from the Missouri Department of Transportation, where he worked in highway maintenance and he was a resident of Dexter, Missouri. Norval loved playing dominos, camping, listening to bluegrass music, and being around his friends and family.

On November 19, 1946, in Corning, Arkansas, he was first united in marriage to Daphne Hamby. Mrs. Daphne Worley preceded him in death April 23, 1979. On December 1, 1979, in Bloomfield, Missouri, he was then united in marriage to Pansy Strop Mills. Mrs. Pansy Worley preceded him in death on October 20, 2017.

He is survived by his son, Charles Worley (Judy) of Pampa, Texas; by his daughter, Lee Hufford (Bruno) of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by his step-son, Herman Mills of Arizona; by his brother, Carol Gene Worley of St. Louis, Missouri; and by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Other than by his wives and parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Gene Ray Worley; by his daughter, Lessa Jane Worley Hughes, and by his step-daughter, Shirley Scherer; by his brother, Darrell Ray "Butch" Worley; and by his sister, Jane Larsen.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, April 12, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Rick Roberts officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, with full military honors.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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In Memory of Sue Hambleton Belcher

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Sue Hambleton Belcher, daughter of the late Edward Lee Hambleton and Marian Gregory Hambleton, was born on February 25, 1954, in Owensboro, Kentucky. She entered the

presence of her Savior on April 5, 2021, at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, at the age of 67 years after a courageous fight with cancer.

She was united in marriage to Gary Belcher on May 31, 1975, in Owensboro, Kentucky. A true partner in life and ministry, Sue excelled in raising their daughters and faithfully served alongside Gary, who survives of the home in Cape Girardeau.

Sue was known as a gentle mother and grandmother, celebrating the unique personalities and dreams of her children and grandchildren. Her daughters remember with gratitude the comfort they found in her presence.

Never one to draw attention to herself, Sue's impact on others had a breadth and depth often unknown as she labored quietly to encourage and build up those around her. Every friend of Sue's knew that she loved and valued them. Her faithful friendship was a living picture of Christ's faithfulness to her. She was a member of Grace Bible Fellowship in Sikeston, Missouri, and a resident of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

In addition to her roles as mother and Grammie, Sue continued to invest in future generations through a variety of relationships. She was a stand-in Grammie for all the children in her life, loving them as family, and she recently served as a Pre-K teacher's assistant at Clippard Elementary in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

In addition to her husband, Gary, she is survived by daughters, Sarah Belcher of Jackson, Tennessee, and Katie Reimann and husband Josh of Salt Lake City, Utah; grandchildren, Lily, Noah, Isaac, and Adeline Reimann; and sister-in-law Marcy Hambleton.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by her brother, Lee Hambleton.

Visitation will be held at Lynwood Baptist Church in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on Friday, April 9, 2021, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted at Lynwood Baptist Church on Saturday, April 10, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. William Marshall and Rev. Kenny King officiating.

Interment will follow in the Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery.

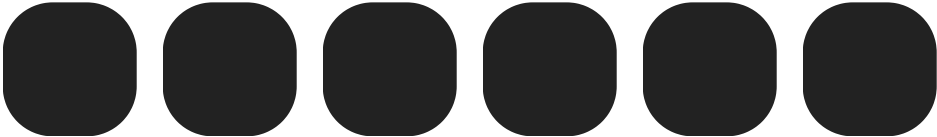
The Belcher family respectfully requests that everyone wear a mask at visitation and the funeral services.

Memorials may be made to the Grace Bible Fellowship Building Fund, 1506 N. Main Street, Sikeston, Missouri, 63801.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is in charge of arrangements.

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