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# In Memory of Billy (Bill) Gene Davis

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### In Memory of Billy (Bill) Gene Davis

Billy (Bill) Gene Davis died unexpectedly on November 29, 2021, at the age of 64 at Golden Valley Memorial Hospital in Clinton, Missouri. Bill had moved back to Missouri five months previously.

Bill was born August 21, 1957, to Jerrel Eugene "Pete" Davis and Diana Joyce Hartline Davis in Malden, Missouri. Both preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Dexter High School Senior Class of 1976.

Bill served in the Army. He held many different jobs, but his favorite was when he worked as a civilian on the Army base in Germany.

Bill had been disabled for some time. Bill loved to joke around and have fun. He enjoyed making people smile. He loved listening to music. More than anything, Bill enjoyed spending time with those he loved. Bill had a relationship with God and was of the Baptist faith. He loved his family and friends deeply.

Bill was married to his former wife Donna Davis for 41 years and to that union was born two daughters. He is survived by his daughter LaJeanna (James) Degraffenreid of Clinton, Missouri, his daughter Yvonne Shirley of Gibsonton, Florida and former wife Donna Davis of Clinton, Missouri. Bill was blessed with four grandchildren-Gabrielle Davis, Anthony Taylor-Davis, Brianna Davis, and Colton Shirley. Bill is survived by his brother David Davis from Tacoma, Washington, his sister Dina Grubbs of Dexter, Missouri, his sister Emma (Randy)Fowler of Lilbourn, Missouri, and his sister Tracey (Larry)Roberts of Warsaw, Missouri. Bill is also survived by many special nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews.

The funeral will be held at a future date with the Reverend William Davis officiating.

The service will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

He will be laid to rest by his parents at the Old Bethel Cemetery in Dexter, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Mathis Funeral Home to help with final expenses.

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# In Memory of Luanne Marie Simones

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In Memory of Luanne Marie Simones

Luanne Marie Simones of Murfreesboro, Tennessee born to the late Lorne Raymond and Jessie Keyneatha (Mitts) Rice on December 25, 1942 in Scott County, Missouri passed away on November 30, 2021 in Murfreesboro, Tennessee at the age of 78 years.

Luanne has lived in Murfreesboro, Tennessee for the last 20 years, she also lived in Jeffersonville, Indiana. She enjoyed collecting antiquities, music and she loved to sing.

Luanne married Ron Simones on December 18, 1999 in Murfreesboro, Tennessee he survives of the home.

Luanne is survived by one daughter Senna Brasher of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; several grandchildren; four brothers Danny Rice, Larry Rice, David Rice and Jimmy Rice; three sisters Peggy Rodgers, Judy Tanner and Betty Bright. Luanne is preceded in death by her parents Lorne and Jessie Rice and one son Timothy Owen Wilson. A host of family and friends also survive.

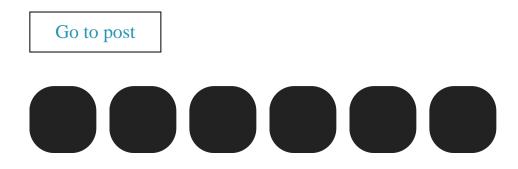
Visitation will be on Friday December 10, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

Funeral Service will be Friday December 10, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri with Rev. Danny Rice of Jackson, Missouri and Rev. Larry Davis of Advance, Missouri officiating.

Interment will follow in Bluff Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri with Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter, Missouri in charge of all arrangements.

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# In Memory of Roy Glenn Sanders

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### In Memory of Roy Glenn Sanders

Roy Glenn Sanders of Essex, Missouri born to the late Elmer Louis and Bessie Irene (Purcell) Sanders on April 04, 1942 in Essex, Missouri passed away on December 02, 2021 in his home surrounded by loved ones at the age of 79 years.

Roy has been a resident of Essex, Missouri all of his life. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, getting out to visit friends and family. He loved to go to with his brother-in-law Jerry to eat lunch at the park in Dexter and watch the "squirrels". He was a founding member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Dexter, Missouri.

Roy married Elwanda Maddox in 1972 in Dexter, Missouri until her passing on April 17, 2006.

Surviving is one daughter Ginger (George) Jaco of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; one step daughter Linda Medlin of Essex, Missouri; three grandchildren Garrett (Linsey) Jaco of Arlington, Virginia, Garth Jaco of Arlington, Virginia and Gavin (Becky) Jaco of Ventura, California; four step grandchildren Jason Tomes of Essex, Missouri, Mandy Loftis of Essex, Missouri, Michael Medlin of Dexter, Missouri and Sammi Charest of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; a very beloved dog Tanner. Roy was preceded in death by his parents Elmer and Bessie Sanders and one daughter Tracy Lynn Sanders. A host of family and friends also survive.

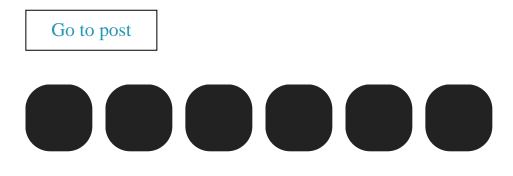
Visitation will be held on Saturday December 04, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter.

Funeral services to be held on Saturday December 04, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. at Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter with Brother Greg Schwab officiating.

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

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## In Memory of Denise Renee Marcum

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### In Memory of Denise Renee Marcum

Denise Renee Marcum, daughter of Dennis Evans and Etta Jean Pyle Ross, was born on July 5, 1971, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and departed this life on November 29, 2021, at St. Bernards Medical Center in Jonesboro, Arkansas, at the age of 50 years.

Mrs. Marcum worked in the bakery at Harps in Dexter. She attended Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church in Sikeston and was a resident of Dexter. Denise had a big heart, she loved helping with kids, and was the primary caregiver for elderly family members.

On April 20, 1992, in Carthage, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Brad Marcum. Mr. Marcum survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to her husband Brad, she is survived by her father and step-mother, Dennis and Betty Evans of Dexter; by her mother, Etta Jean Pyle Ross of Dexter; by her daughter, Paige Carnahan and husband Zackery of Morehouse; by her sister, Jo Ann Tidwell of Dexter, and by her grandson, Travis Ray Carnahan.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, December 3, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, December 3, 2021, at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Ron King officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dogwood Cemetery in East Prairie.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Nelda J. Eakin

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### In Memory of Nelda J. Eakin

Nelda J. Eakin, daughter of the late Carl Driskill and Hazel Hessling Driskill, was born on June 18, 1934, in Catron, Missouri, and departed this life on November 29, 2021, at Cedarhurst Memory Care in Shiloh, Illinois, at the age of 87 years.

Mrs. Eakin was a former homemaker and she worked in a pecan factory and dry cleaners while her husband was in the Air Force. She enjoyed baking, cooking, sewing, reading her bible, shopping for clothes with her daughter and watching TV, especially "The Price is Right". She was a lifelong member of Garden Ridge General Baptist Church near Bell City, Missouri and a member of Rosewood Heights Community Church in East Alton, Illinois.

On July 29, 1950, in Piggott, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to Buel K. Eakin. Mr. Eakin preceded her in death on February 11, 1998.

She is survived by her daughter, Deborah Ray of Belleville, Illinois; by her brother, Carl Driskill Jr. of Panama City Beach, Florida; by two grandchildren, Michael McCormick and wife Jaime of Belleville, Illinois and Nathaniel Ray and wife Katheren of Pelham, Alabama; by her great-grandson, Dylan McCormick; by her great-granddaughter due April 2022; and by her nephew, Terry and niece, Stephanie both of Panama City Beach, Florida.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Belinda Sutterer; and by her brother, Norval Driskill.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

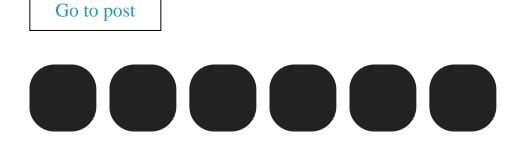
Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. with Everett Hessling officiating.

Interment will follow in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Sikeston.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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