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# In Memory of Deborah “Debbie” Lynn Temples

JULY 26TH 2022 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Deborah “Debbie” Lynn Temples, 71 of Dexter Missouri, passed away on Saturday, July 23, 2022. Debbie was born on October 29, 1950, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri to parents Cinda Miller Temples of Dexter Missouri and Alvin “Jim” Lee Temples, Sr. (deceased).

Debbie was a beloved sister to Rebecca “Becky” Kyle and Alvin Lee Temples, Jr. (deceased).

Before his untimely death, Jim would escort Debbie to the farm and show her the baby cows, which was always a delight to see. She was especially fond of the time her dad spent with her riding horses.

Debbie was an avid shopper and never passed up an opportunity to hit the aisles wherever she was. She made many friends over the years and was especially loved by all of her “boyfriends”.

Debbie lived in the Boucher Street and Walnut Street groups homes for over 25 years. During that time, she stayed active with ARC activities, including participation in Special Olympics events, enjoyed attending dances, and listening to her prized records. George Jones, Elvis Presley, and Charley Pride were a few of her favorites.

She loved visiting her family on the weekends. They often attended church together and she talked to mom every day on the phone. Besides eating out, Debbie loved to cook steak or fry fish with her brother.

Debbie spent the last 15 years of her life in an assisted living apartment and was lovingly cared for by the staff of Crossroads ISL. Her caregivers were like a second family to her, and she was cared for with dignity in her home until her death.

The family would like to give special thanks to Paula Farmer, co-owner of Crossroads ISL that oversaw Debbie’s care. They provided her, not only with practical life services, but countless activities and experiences that enriched her life and those of countless others.

Please direct donations to the Missouri Special Olympics, 305 Special Olympics Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101 or the Stoddard County ARC, PO Box 444, Dexter, Missouri 63841

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, July 29, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, July 29, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.

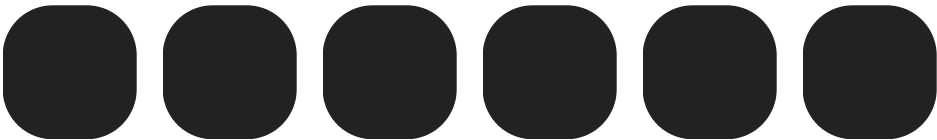
Interment will follow in the Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Verna Ruth Spore

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## In Memory of Verna Ruth Spore

Verna Ruth Spore, daughter of the late Hazel Foster Jackson and Robert Hill Jackson, was born on October 19, 1928, in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on July 23, 2022, at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing Center in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 93 years.

After graduating from Dexter High School, Ruth moved to Michigan where she worked in the automotive industry. On November 6, 1948, she and Maurice Spore were united in marriage. In late 1951, they moved to Oakland, California. After several years, they returned to Dexter where Ruth worked for Elder Manufacturing. In 1964, Maurice was promoted to general manager for Sears, and they moved to Memphis, Tennessee

While in Memphis, Ruth worked as a production supervisor for RCA and as an administrative assistant for N. Hunt Moore and Associates and Southern Systems, both engineering firms. In 1978, she and Maurice moved back to Dexter where she worked in the packing and shipping department of Elder Manufacturing.

Throughout her career, her greatest joy and sense of accomplishments were being a wife and mother.

Ruth was an active member of New Bethel General Baptist Church where she served as a deacon's wife, in the care and compassion ministry, and teaching youth. Her kind, loving and caring spirit was evident in everything she did, and she was a mentor to many.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Hazel Jackson, her loving husband, two brothers, Robert and Bryant Jackson, and a sister, Mary Phillips.

She is survived by her son, Everette (Janet) Spore of Gleason, Tennessee, two grandchildren, Jason Spore of McDonough, Georgia, and Natalie Spore of Henderson, Nevada, and many nieces and nephews. Her wit, sense of humor, and storytelling provided a source of entertainment for those who were close to her. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, July 30, 2022, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted on Saturday, July 30, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Steve Tippen officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Monday, August 1, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.

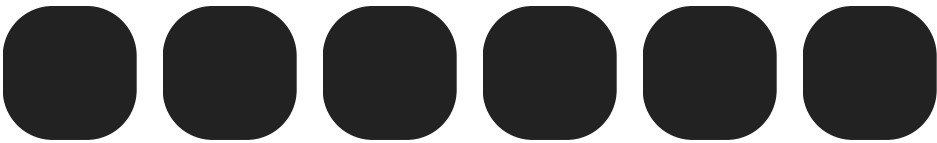
Memorials may be made to New Bethel General Baptist Church, 15626 State Hwy AF, Dexter, Missouri 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Larry Eugene Walpole

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## In Memory of Larry Eugene Walpole

Larry Eugene Walpole, son of the late Archie Sanders Walpole and Ivogene Coln Walpole, was born on March 10, 1946, in Kennett, Missouri, and departed this life on July 23, 2022, at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Mr. Walpole was a Veteran of the United States Army, serving in Vietnam. After leaving the military, he worked for Monarch Seed then he and his wife purchased Walpole's Auto Parts in Bloomfield, Missouri and worked it together for 18 years. He was a member of the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, the VFW, and the American Legion, he was appointed to the Stoddard County Health Department Board of Directors, he was a volunteer fire fighter in Bloomfield, he was on the Bloomfield Police Department auxiliary, and he was a resident of Bloomfield, Missouri. Larry enjoyed coaching baseball and working with the Boy Scouts.

On April 29, 1966, in Bloomfield, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Mary Cowgur. Mrs. Walpole survives of their home in Bloomfield.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three children and five grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Billy Walpole, by his brother, Archie Walpole, and by his sister, Pamela Walpole.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Ray Rowland officiating.

Interment will follow in the North Antioch Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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## In Memory of Charles “Pinky” Frank

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### In Memory of Charles “Pinky” Frank

Charles “Pinky” Frank, son of the late Granville Frank and Ruby Mays Frank, was born on March 4, 1942, in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on July 24, 2022, at his residence in Dexter at the age of 80 years.

Mr. Frank was a Veteran of the United States Army, serving in Vietnam. After returning from Vietnam, he received the Army Commendation Medal for “meritorious achievement”. He was a former employee of Castor Township and Keener Gravel Company. He attended Mt. Gilead Hill Church and had volunteered with the Stoddard County Sheriff’s department working under Ralph Mouser for several years.

On April 30, 1965, in Acorn Ridge, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Carolyn Robinson. Mrs. Frank survives for their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter Cathy Scobey and husband James of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by two grandchildren, Camden and Cade Scobey; by his brother-in-law, Norman Robinson and wife Laura of Dexter, Missouri; by his sister-in-law, Dorothy Richard and husband Cotton of Dexter, Missouri; and by several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, July 28, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis

Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, July 28, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Steve Tippen officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

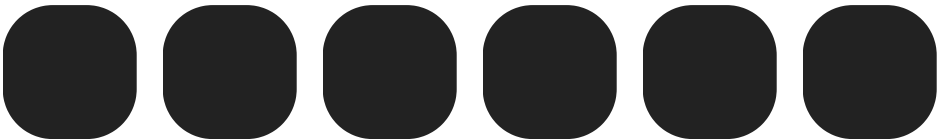
Memorials may be made to 18 Fore Life, c/o Scott Kruse, 705 Laurie Circle, Dexter, Missouri 63841 or John Irving / John Brehmer Memorial, c/o Mark Guethle, 720 Saddle Spur Road, Dexter, Missouri 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Donna Jean Woodard Poe

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Donna Jean Woodard Poe, daughter of Paul Wayne Woodard Sr. of Dexter, Missouri and Joyce Wanda Layton Hall of Essex, Missouri was born on December 25, 1974, in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on July 21, 2022, at her residence in Essex, Missouri at the age of 47.

Other than by her parents, she is survived by two brothers, Paul Wayne Woodard Jr. and wife Vicky of Junction City, Kansas and Douglas Leon Graviett and wife Jamie of Dexter, Missouri; by two sisters, Rebecca Gail Kelley of Troy, Missouri and Marsha Diane Woodard of Dexter, Missouri; one step-sister, Tracy Ann Rayburn and husband Brad of Puxico, MO and by many nieces, nephews, “greats”, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Susan Kay Woodard, her step-dad, Kurtis (Ras) Randall Hall of Essex, Missouri and her beloved dog, Gemma Isabell Poe.

Donna was employed at Wal-Mart in Sikeston, Missouri, in their security department. She was her niece and nephew's biggest cheerleader and loved supporting them in everything that they did!! She had a huge heart and tried to make everyone around her smile with her little jokes and antics. She enjoyed camping, fishing and being outdoors. She was very artistic and loved to paint. But her most favorite thing, due to not being able to bear children, was her dog Gemma, whom she spoiled rotten! She will forever be remembered by her bubbly personality, smile on her face and that hearty laugh that she would belt out and her infamous quotes...” What is really going on??”, “What does that mean?” or “Allegedly...”!!

Visitation will be conducted on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter.

Interment will follow at the Link Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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