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In Memory of Bradford (Brad) Edwin Dodd Sr

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In Memory of Bradford (Brad) Edwin Dodd Sr

Bradford (Brad) Edwin Dodd Sr. of Dexter, Missouri, was the son of the late Fletcher Dodd and Doris Irene (Ham) Niederstadt. Brad was born on January 8, 1956, in Dexter, Missouri and passed away on September 7, 2022 at the Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 66.

He lived in the Dexter, Missouri area all of his life where he worked as a railroad van driver. Brad enjoyed fishing, playing with grandkids and loved the Cardinals. Brad was of the Baptist faith.

Brad is survived by two sons Bradford Edwin (Ruth) Dodd, Jr., of Dexter, Missouri, Brett Allen Dodd of Dowagiac, Michigan; one daughter Brandi Renee Dodd of Dexter, Missouri; one brother Bruce Dodd of Lakeland, Florida; two sisters Brenda Randall of Tusculoosa, Alabama, Laura Jones of Baltimore, Maryland; two grandchildren. A host of family and friends also survive.

Brad was preceded in death by his parents; his step-dad Holland Niederstadt; one sister Barbara Dodd; and one grandson Blaine Allen Dodd.

Private Memorial Services will be held on Friday, September 16, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at the New Essex Cemetery in Essex, Missouri and Watkins And Sons Funeral Home of Dexter in charge of all arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.watkinsfuneralhome.com

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In Memory of Carolyn Standridge

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In Memory of Carolyn Standridge

Mrs. Carolyn Jean Garrison Standridge, daughter of the late Hugh T. Garrison and Myrtle Harden Garrison, was born in Sikeston, Missouri, on August 5, 1938. She met her Lord and Savior on September 7, 2022, at the age of 84 years.

She married the love of her life, Mr. Kenneth Standridge, on August 27, 1955, and together they had four beautiful children together, fourteen grandchildren, and twenty-five great grandchildren.

Mrs. Standridge was a former switchboard operator for Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri, and Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. She also worked for Sikeston Senior High School in the principal's office. She was an active member of Faith Baptist Church in Wappapello, Missouri, for over 30 years. Both

her family and faith were extremely important to her. She loved her family dearly and shared many of her favorite scriptures with them throughout the years.

To her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, she was known as "Nanny." They all loved her dearly and enjoyed spending time with her. One of Nanny's favorite pastimes was teaching them how to cook. Nanny was known for her famous homemade chicken and noodles and passed down many recipes to her family that they will continue to cook in remembrance of her. Nanny will be missed dearly.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, Kenneth Standridge Jr. of Dexter, Missouri, and two daughters, Charissa (Jimmy) Comstock of Dexter, Missouri, and Victoria (Mark) Sings of Lake City, South Carolina, daughter-in-law, Connie Eddy of Lake Placid, Florida, brother Gary "Jack" (Mary) Garrison of Benton, Kentucky, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she is preceded in death by her son, Kerry Standridge, three brothers, Hugh Garrison Jr., Jim Garrison, and John Garrison, and two sisters, Jerry Behrens, and Eulene Morris.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Monday, September 12, 2022, from 9:30 am until 11:00 am.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, September 12, 2022, beginning at 11:00 am. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Daniel Ivan Sitze

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In Memory of Daniel Ivan Sitze

Daniel Ivan Sitze, son of the late Elmer Ivan Sitze and Lucille Jeanette Sitze, was born on October 4, 1948, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and departed this life on September 10, 2022, at his residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 73 years.

Mr. Sitze was a former principal at Zalma, Woodland and Richland schools and a former teacher at various schools in the area. He pastored St. Joe General Baptist Church in Bloomfield, Missouri, from 1986 to 2010.

On December 20, 1969, at Bethel General Baptist Church, he was united in marriage to Connie Staats. Mrs. Sitze survives of their home in Dexter.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Eric Sitze and wife Delisa of Dexter, Missouri; by his daughter, Heather Rice and husband Loyd of Dexter, Missouri; by his sister, Karen Elledge and husband Larry of Jackson, Missouri; and by five grandchildren, Natalie Sitze, Dylan Sitze, Jake Rice, Joe Rice, and James Rice.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by two grandchildren, JC and Abbie Rice.

Visitation will be held at St. Joe General Baptist Church in Bloomfield, Missouri on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted at St. Joe General Baptist Church on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at

11:00 a.m. Interment will follow in the Berrong Cemetery in Gipsy, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Raymond William Ragsdale

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In Memory of Raymond William Ragsdale

Raymond William Ragsdale, son of the late Nebert William Ragsdale and Martha McDowell Ragsdale, was born on July 28, 1940, in Lafe, Arkansas, and departed this life on September 7, 2022, at this residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 82 years.

Mr. Ragsdale was a Veteran of the United States Navy, from 1958 to 1967, serving in Vietnam on the USS Midway Aircraft Carrier. He was a former RV Park manager, a

former cross country truck driver, and a former transit driver for the city of Bloomfield.

In August of 1970, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Wanda Ragsdale. Mrs. Ragsdale preceded him in death.

He is survived by two sons, Raymond William Ragsdale Jr. and William Dale Able; by two daughters, Gail Walker of Dexter, Missouri, and Linda Upton of Fulton, Mississippi; by seven grandchildren, by twelve great-grandchildren; by three great-great grandchildren; and by two special friends, Jamie Schatz of Dexter, Missouri, and Penny Walker of Bloomfield, Missouri.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, September 9, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, September 9, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. William Tyler Hendley officiating.

Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Wilma Shaver

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In Memory of Wilma Shaver

Wilma Shaver, daughter of the late Miles Porter Wilson and Rosalee Cartwright Wilson, was born on November 27, 1925, in Bloomfield, Missouri, and departed this life on September 7, 2022, at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 96 years.

Mrs. Shaver had worked for Elder Manufacturing in Dexter. She attended Risen Church in Dexter, was a resident of Dexter, and a former resident of Springfield, Illinois for 15 years. She was the best mother ever.

On November 6, 1953, in Bloomfield, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Albert C. Shaver. Mr. Shaver preceded her in death on August 17, 2021.

She is survived by her son, Leonard "Speedy" Shaver of New York City, New York; by her daughter, Lynn Newton of Sikeston, Missouri; by her daughter-in-law, Peggy Shaver; by five grandchildren, Kelly Dudley of Coronado, California; Darin Newton of Sikeston, Missouri, Brad Shaver of Sandusky, Ohio, Ashley Shaver of Waco, Texas, and Brandon Shaver of Dexter, Missouri; by fourteen great-grandchildren, and by eight great-great grandchildren.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Bill Shaver; by her son-in-law, Ron Newton; by four brothers, Vernon Wilson, Harold Wilson, Junior Wilson, and Bill Wilson; by her sister, Inez Mitchell; and by her great-grandson, Matthew Basquez.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, September 10, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Travis Lambert officiating.

Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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