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In Memory of Loretta Louise Vardell Roach

OCTOBER 14TH 2022 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Loretta Louise Vardell Roach

Loretta Louise Vardell Roach, 92, of Puxico, MO, passed away on October 10, 2022 at Cypress Point Nursing Center in Dexter, MO. She was born November 13, 1929 in Puxico, the daughter of Lonnie and Edna Hughes Vardell.

Loretta had been instrumental in the development of the Stoddard County Ambulance District. She had worked as an EMT; she was the first employee to ever retire from the Stoddard County Ambulance District.

Loretta was known as a professional volunteer for her dedication to the Puxico community. She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary #7822, Puxico OES #422, Puhicah Club and the Puxico Senior Citizens Housing Board. She served as a "volunteer grandparent" at Puxico Schools; she enjoyed reading to the students. For several years she wrote the "Puxico Personals" column for the Puxico Press. She had been a long-time Girl Scout Leader and Cub Scout Den Mother. She was a heavily involved member of the Egypt Community Church in Puxico.

Loretta had been a wonderful and loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Loretta and John U. Roach, Sr. were united in marriage on August 16, 1952, during the Puxico Homecoming and he preceded her in death on January 19, 2016.

Loving survivors include: four daughters, Loretta "Tootsie" (Douglas) Gerecke of Dexter, Elizabeth "Libby" (Rick) Killmer of Pittsburg, KS. Alice (Rodney) Stevenson of

Tuckerman, AR and Sharon (Gary) Simmers of Advance; a sister, Lucetria Tetley of Overland, MO; 18 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a son, John "Butch" Roach, Jr.; three daughters, Karon Jones, Lucetria Roach and Dorothy Jean Roach; a grandson, Dillion Jones; two brothers, Brady (Hazel) Vardell and JC (Mavis) Vardell; a sister, Stella (Dwight) Peters and a brother-in-law, Martin Tetley.

Visitation will be held on Friday, October 14, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Morgan Funeral Chapel in Advance.

VFW and OES services will be held at 5:00 p.m.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. at the chapel with Rev. Wayne Burchett and Rodney Stevenson, II officiating. Burial will follow at Puxico Cemetery in Puxico.

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In Memory of TJ Sanders

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TJ Sanders of Bloomfield, Missouri the son of the late Benjamin and Eva Mae (Shumpert) Sanders was born in Parma, Missouri on December 3, 1933, and passed away on October 8, 2022, at the age of 88 years.

In 1953, he was married to Edna Carver in Lutesville, Missouri.

TJ has lived in the Bloomfield area since 1992, when he retired from carpentry work.

TJ was a Union Carpenter for thirty years, loved Square Dancing, Horseback Riding, Gardening (mainly vegetables), Hunting Deer and Squirrell, and spending time with Family. TJ enjoyed Pepsi, Coke and especially enjoyed Milk. TJ always kept wood for the winter for his in-laws, Loved lending a hand to those in need and was always a good neighbor.

TJ is survived by his wife of 69 years, one son, Terry Joe (Deborah) Sanders of Bloomfield; two daughters, Charlotte Elaine (Clarence) Boen of Bloomfield, Missouri; Lena Kay (Bert) Hindman of St. Peters, Missouri; one brother, Charles Sanders of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; six grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; one daughter-in-law, Cindy Ball Sanders; and TJ was a Mentor to his great nephew, Robert Chaney. A host of Family and Friends also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Larry Jean Sanders; one brother, James Sanders; and three sisters, Katherine Baker, Beatrice Zuck, Sharon Sanders.

Visitation will be on Thursday, October 13, 2022 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon at the Watkins and Sons Chapel in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held the same day as visitation at 12:00 Noon at the Watkins and Sons Chapel in Bloomfield with Terry Sanders of Bloomfield officiating and

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

Sons Funeral Home of Dexter in charge of all arrangements.



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In Memory of Darrel E. Anderson

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Darrel E. Anderson, son of the late E. A. Anderson and Edna Wolpers Anderson, was born on February 4, 1944, in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on September 28, 2022, at his residence in Bloomfield, Missouri, at the age of 78 years.

Mr. Anderson was a former employee of Arvin Meritor in Dexter. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Bloomfield. He enjoyed fishing, collecting Hot Wheels, and playing baseball. He loved the St. Louis Cardinals and taking trips with his kid and grandkids.

On January 22, 1966, in Chester, Illinois, he was united in marriage to Kay Unger. Mrs. Anderson survives of their home in Bloomfield.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Darrel E. Anderson Jr. of Jackson, Missouri, and Robert Gary Anderson of Bloomfield, Missouri; by two daughters, Cindy Joyce Anderson Greer and husband Stacy of Dexter, Missouri, and Laurie Ellen Anderson Peters and husband Jim of Canaan, Indiana; by his brother, Roger Anderson and wife Sherri of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by his sister, Cindy Gates and husband Mark of Dexter, Missouri; and by eleven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Kenny Anderson, Phillip Anderson, and Larry Anderson.

Visitation will be held at First Baptist Church in Bloomfield on Monday, October 3, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Funeral services will then be conducted at First Baptist Church in Bloomfield on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. John McCain and Rev. Ronnie Stevens officiating.

Interment will follow in Oak Ridge Cemetery in rural Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Jerry Penberthy

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Jerry Eugene Penberthy of Leadwood, Missouri the son of the late Harold Eugene and Billie Jean (House) Penberthy was born in Farmington, Missouri, On June 10, 1953 and passed away at his home in Leadwood on September 29, 2022, at the age 69 years.

Jerry grew up and lived in Leadwood all his life. Jerry was a lifelong member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Park Hills. Jerry enjoyed Stock Car Racing, Playing Golf and the St. Louis Blues Hockey Team. The most enjoyable thing to Jerry was his kids, granddaughter and begin with his brothers and sister.

Jerry worked for many years until his retirement at the Pea Ridge Iron Ore Mine in Sullivan, Missouri where he worked as a warehouseman.

Jerry is survived by his two sons, Larry (Lacie) Penberthy of Desloge, Aaron (Susie) Penberthy of Leadwood; two brothers, Van (Mary) Penberthy of Leadwood, Greg (LeeAnn) Penberthy of Leadwood, Missouri and one sister; Fonda (John) Moser of Fenton, Missouri. A very beautiful granddaughter, Emmelia Bowyer and two nephews Andrew and Adam (Kelsey) Moser, a niece Lauren Moser, and one great nephew Bennett Moser. A very large extended family also survive to mourn his passing.

A gathering of family and friends for a celebration of life will be held on Tuesday, October 4th, starting at 4 p.m. - 9 p.m. at the Old Leadwood High School Gym in Leadwood, Missouri.

A private family interment will be held at a later date in the Immaculate Conception catholic Cemetery in Leadwood, Missouri.

Funeral services are being handled by Watkins and Sons Funeral Service of Dexter, MO.

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In Memory of Gayle Rodgers

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Gayle Rodgers, a Christian has gone to her heavenly home to live with her Savior and God at the age of 82 years.

In June 1940, Carl and Mildred Cecil welcomed Gayle, the first of ten children to their family. Gayle was a young teenager in April 1956, when she wed Bobby Rodgers. They celebrated 57 years of marriage until his passing in 2013. Together, they loved and cared for their children: Judy, Jeff and Misty.

Gayle adored babies and was a loving, active grandmother to LaDawn, Laticia, Ashton, Brittney, Bryce, Carley and Kynlee.

She has been a caring great-grandmother to Macayla, Blair, Lane, Brynlee, Luke, Liam, Baylor and Blakely, and in her heart cherished a 5th grandchild, Anthony, who passed at birth.

After the loss of her parents, Gayle took on the role of Matriarch to her siblings: Larry, Duke, Linda, Sheryl, Joe, David Frank, Mike and their respective children by happily making her home a gathering place for Sunday lunches, holiday dinners, and cookouts by the swimming pool for everyone who dropped by to visit.

Gayle helped provide for her family as an employee of Brown Shoe Company for over 20 years, and then operating a home decorating business from 1980 until her retirement in

2007.

Over her lifetime, many friends and family received an afghan or baby blanket from Gayle, as she was always busy crocheting any time she sat still. Her kitchen cabinets were running over with her favorite reading material – cookbooks, and Gayle's stovetop and dining room table were spread with her greatest talent - delicious home-cooked food. She also enjoyed planting beautiful flowers each spring, listening to Neil Diamond music, and ending the day with a romance novel, which lay on her bedside table.

She will be fondly missed and remembered by her family, friends, neighbors, and church family.

Visitation will be held at the Bernie Church of Christ on Monday, October 3, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted at the Bernie Church of Christ on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. with Stan Dauck officiating. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Bobby Rodgers' Memorial Scholarship, c/o Rhonda Shipman, 516 W Main Ave, Bernie, Missouri 63822 or to the Children's Homes Inc, 5515 Walcott Road, Paragould, AR 72450-3319.

Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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