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In Memory of Helen Voss

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Helen Voss of Puxico, Missouri, the daughter of the late Thurman Lestie and Minnie Aline (Mossman) O'Neal was born on March 2, 1948, in Puxico, Missouri, and passed away on March 25, 2023, in St. Louis, Missouri, at the age of 75.

Helen moved back to Puxico in 2011 after working in St. Louis for the Internal Revenue Service until her retirement. She also spent time living in Tennessee. Helen was of the Baptist Faith and loved crocheting, knitting, all arts and crafts, cooking and baking. She really enjoyed spending time with family spoiling her grand kids. She never knew a stranger and was like an adopted influence to most.

Helen is survived by one son, William (Visnja) McCullar of St. Louis, Missouri, two daughters, Tammy (Dennis) Ludwig of St. Louis, Missouri; Tanya (Joe) Caito of Eureka, Missouri; two brothers, Donald Gene (Dorothy) O'Neal and Thurman Russell O'Neal of Puxico, Missouri; six grandchildren, Cassidy Ludwig; Tyler Ludwig; Ethan McCullar; Gordon McCullar; Evan Caito and Gavin Caito; four great-grandchildren as well a host of family and friends.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; her life partner, William Bill McCullar; one brother, Freeman Lestie O'Neal; five sisters, Lois Caldwell, Shirley Bolin, Fernie Julius, Virginia Spears, Loreda Janson; and one grandson, William McCullar.

Visitation Service will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with Funeral Service to follow the Watkins And Sons Funeral Chapel in Puxico, Missouri, with Pastor Kenneth Lambert of Puxico, Missouri, officiating.

Interment will follow at the Rock Hill Cemetery near Puxico, Missouri, with Watkins And Sons of Dexter in charge of arrangements.

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Patsy Lorean Stevens-Ingle was born on August 26, 1943 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri to the late Lloyd Prater and Nellie Hartwell Prater. She died peacefully in her home in Bernie, Missouri on March 27, 2023 at the age of 79.

Patsy was united in marriage to the late Henry Harold Stevens on August 19, 1959. She later married Sonny Ingle on December 30, 1993, who preceded her in death on June 13, 2022.

Patsy was a member of the Bernie Church of Christ. Not only did Patsy enjoy going to church, she also had many other endeavors. She was a former alderman for the City of Bernie and the Chairwoman for the Bernie City Park Committee. Improving the park was something she cherished doing. She retired from teaching for the Malden School district after 32 years. Patsy also retired from the Stoddard County Ambulance after 32 years of service. She was an avid landscaper, gardener and designer. However, the highlight of Patsy’s life was her family. She loved spending time cooking for her children and grandchildren.

Those left behind to mourn her passing are her daughter, Cynthia Stevens of Sikeston, Missouri; her son, Bradley Stevens & wife Amber of Bernie, Missouri; by two grandsons, Quinton Stevens & wife Tanya and Joshua Stevens & wife Mckenzie; by one great-granddaughter, Ellie Stevens and one great-grandson, Dawson Stevens, all of Bernie, Missouri; By one step-daughter, Kathryn Stanley & husband Dewayne of New Madrid, Missouri; by two step-grandchildren, Valeri Duke & husband Kyle and Tyler Stanley & wife Shawna; by two step-great-granddaughters, Rylie and Lexy; by one brother, Calvin Prater of Greenville, Missouri; also by other relatives and many friends.

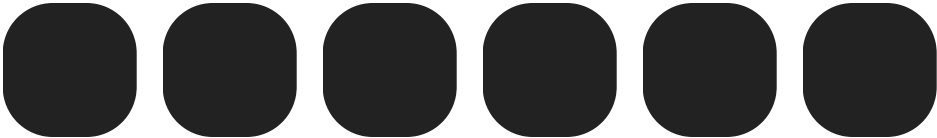
Also preceding her in death were two sisters, Joann Hargies and Mary King; by two brothers, Donald Prater and Harold Prater.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Saturday, April 1, 2023 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Funeral services will then be conducted at 1:00 PM in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie with Stan Dauck officiating. Interment will follow in Bernie Cemetery. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with all arrangements.

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In Memory of Harriet Jane Hight Suhany

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Harriet Jane Hight Suhany, daughter of the late Joseph Hight and Ethel Grisham Hight, was born on July 9, 1932, in Morehouse, Missouri, and departed this life on Monday, March 27, 2023 at the Sikeston Convalescent Center in Sikeston, Missouri, at the age of 90 years.

Mrs. Suhany was a stay-at-home mom until her youngest child entered school. She was then a cook at Southwest Elementary in Dexter, Missouri for over 20 years. During the summer, she was also a cook for the Baptist Church camp in Van Buren, Missouri. She enjoyed gardening and canning. She loved raising African Violets and watching St. Louis Cardinal Baseball. She was a member of Friendship Baptist Church in Dexter and a resident of Dexter.

On December 31, 1953, in Morehouse, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Rev. Vincent Suhany. Rev. Suhany preceded her in death on April 23, 2016.

She is survived by two sons, Dr. Mark Suhany and wife Lisa of Henderson, Nevada and Daniel Suhany of Carrollton, Texas; by two daughters, Barbara Short and husband Randy of Jamestown, Kentucky and Ilona Sadler and husband Kevin of Bloomfield, Missouri; by her twin brother, Harry Hight of Peoria, Illinois; by five grandchildren, Sarah Jane Shoemaker and husband Adam of Hickory Creek, Texas, Susan Short of Jamestown, Kentucky, Kellie Justice and husband Michael of Russell Springs, Kentucky, Holly Short of Jamestown, Kentucky, and Jackson Suhany of Carrollton, Texas; by two step-grandchildren, Michael Sadler of Dexter, Missouri and Ashley Blackwell of Dexter, Missouri; by eight great-grandchildren, Reid Shoemaker, Harper Shoemaker, Ayden Sadler, Jensen Blackwell, Liam Sadler, Ronin Blackwell, Shire Sadler, and Swayze

Sadler; and by a special niece, Barbara Nesser of Sunset Hills, Missouri.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her grandson, Carl Vincent Short; by her daughter-in-law, Michelle Suhany; three brothers, Hallie Hight, Harold Hight, Howard Hight; and by five sisters, Helen Hight, Hazel Moran, Havetta McCain, Hetty Austin, and Hilda Jo Rhodes.

Special thank you to the staff at the Sikeston Convalescent Center for their loving care the last four years and to Crown Hospice for their compassionate care during her final days.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Thursday, March 30, 2023, from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Lonny Mittag officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

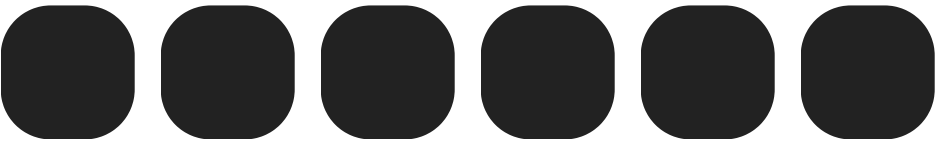
Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association at Alzheimer’s.org.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Cindy June Hicks

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Cindy June Hicks was born April 28, 1959, in Watseka, Illinois to parents Hubert F. and Patricia A. Davis, both who preceded her in death. Cindy passed away on March 27, 2023, in Springfield, Missouri.

Cindy and Gary Hicks were united in marriage in Urbana, Illinois on May 10, 1977. Gary and Cindy were married for 45 years, and had two sons Wade Matthew and Dustin Christopher, and a daughter Karlie Sue. Gary preceded her in death on June 12, 2022.

Gary and Cindy moved back to Southeast Missouri where they settled in Bloomfield, Missouri. Cindy had earned a Cosmetology degree and owned and operated “The Hair Clinic” in Bloomfield, Missouri from 1984 until retiring in 2021. Cindy was a devout Christian and member of the Dudley and Bloomfield Churches of Christ.

Cindy is survived by son Wade and wife Phuong, son Dustin and wife Ashleigh, daughter Karlie, three grandchildren Leightin, Ashtin, and Clara, and siblings Susan Rhode, Lee Ann Ennen, and Paulin Abbott. She was preceded in death by her brother Sam Davis.

Graveside services will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. at Old Essex Cemetery on Thursday, March 30, 2023.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Katherine Wethington

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“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, for who so ever believes in Him shall not perish but have ever lasting life.” John 3:16

Katherine loved God and was a faithful Christian all of her 86 years, 66 of those years (as of April 7, 2023) with her loving husband Marion Bert (MB) Wethington, who referred to her as his “Sweetheart” always. Family from her childhood called her Kackie, but for most of the people who knew her as an adult and those that love her, she was Katherine and sometimes Kathy.

As the youngest child of Joseph Henry Deal and Lena Elizabeth Hanle Deal. She was born 10 years after her youngest brother, so she was very special from the moment she arrived in the world. Her mother and grandmother taught her how to sew at a young age and many people have witnesses just how talented she was. She taught her daughter Connie to sew and made all her clothes until the ninth grade at a high school in a new town, so store bought clothes were important that year. She ran a thriving alterations business for many years. She could work magic on wedding and prom dresses or jeans and jackets. There are many, many rave reviews of how talented she was. Another thing that gave her great joy was the times that she made ‘Bulldog Quilts’ and would raffle them off at one of the early games of the season. Each of those raffle winners of these Sikeston Bulldog Football quilts were very pleased with their prize. Katherine was always thrilled to present all the proceeds to the football team. Katherine made special quilts for

her children and her grandchildren, some of which are worn-in so perfectly by now, some of which are still new and fresh, each with the beauty of Katherine.

But don't think that she wasn't scrapper! Her son, Dean, knows the consequence of underestimating his mom when he was in a headlock with his head being rammed into the wall – which happened to be a stud - or the feeling of a fork in the back of his hand for reaching for chicken at the wrong time. As a newlywed Katherine and MB lived in the very small town of Gray Ridge and MB worked the night shift. As it happened there was a rumor around town of a peeping tom and to be on guard. Katherine took that advise to heart and when MB was bending over to look for the hole for his key, there was only a pane of glass between him and a double-barreled shotgun! He couldn't back up quick enough or holler loud enough, "Honey! Katherine! It's me, it's MB! DON'T SHOOT! He says he whistled very loudly as he walked up the steps to come home from work EVERY night after that.

Some of Katherine's favorite things were quilting, embroidering, working jigsaw puzzles, word searches, but one thing she loved that lasted through all the 'busy hands' projects was that she loved to read paperback novels and for many, many years had one, or even several, at all times close by.

MB and Katherine loved to travel and started early with camping trips to the lake, and camping vacations to Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone National Park, and Yosemite National Park. After becoming empty nesters, they traveled to Hawaii on vacation more than once and was called to live there for a year after Hurricane Iniki and MB worked for AT&T there. They were partners in business and at home right down to the half a dozen homes they built themselves. A wedding anniversary present for Katherine one year when they were building a house on Salcedo Road in Sikeston was a crow bar. There have only been rumors of the true reaction to this gift, but it was well used by the time that house was finished. There is a bump on MB's head that has been there ever since.

A loving and devoted homemaker, Katherine never had cookie dough crooked on a cookie sheet, she folded things the same way every time, and her home was always clean and beautiful. She loved decorating and giving wonderful Christmas parties with beautiful decorations and delicious foods she made herself, she is loved by all, missed already, and will never be forgotten.

Katherine is survived by: Husband MB Wethington of Dexter, MO; Daughter Connie S Stacy of Bauxite, AR; Son Dean A Wethington of Dexter, MO

Grandchildren from Connie - Jennifer C Stacy Hoffman of Bauxite, AR; Zachariah M Stacy and wife Jessica of Scottsdale, AZ

Grandchildren from Dean - Justin A Wethington of Sikeston, MO; Jessica B Wethington Burton and husband Brian of Dexter, MO

Great-Grandchildren from Jennifer - Shelby D Hoffman of Bauxite, AR; Wesley F (Fisher) Hoffman of Bauxite, AR

Great-Grandchildren from Justin - Olivia Mae Loraine Wethington from Sikeston, MO

Great-Grandchildren from Jessica - Mason M A Norman of Dexter, MO; Ariana S R Norman of Dexter, MO; Takoda J L Burton of Dexter, MO

Niece - Regina Deal Smith and husband Gary of St. Louis, MO

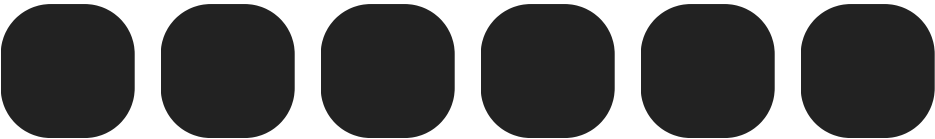
From near and from far and even from Heaven the entire Wethington and Deal family thank you for your prayers for comfort, love, and healing heart.

Graveside services will be conducted at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield on Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

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