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In Memory of Lora Lee Cox

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Lora Lee Cox was born October 7, 1942 in Stoddard County, MO the daughter of the late Johnnie W. and Mary E. Osborn Pruett.

Lora Lee was formerly employed by Purolator in Dexter, MO, where she worked in production and later transferred to the warehouse distribution center. She also worked in the home health profession as a caregiver. Lora Lee was a great encourager and morale builder for everyone around her. Even after being admitted to Henderson Health & Rehabilitation Center, she would inspire the residents, their families, and staff with her positive attitude and genuine love for people. She was a caregiver to the end and was greatly loved by all who knew her. Watching the Hallmark Channel, Game Show Network, and baking her famous cookies and pies were among her favorite activities. Lora Lee was active in many different churches in the Dexter area throughout her life. Her love for the Lord was evidenced by her sincere and compassionate care for others.

Lora Lee departed this life on March 20, 2024, surrounded by her family in Henderson, Tennessee, at the age of 81 Years, 5 Months, 13 Days. She is survived by a son, Michael Cox and wife Tina; a grandchild, Micah Shackelford and husband Preston; and a great-grandchild, Ella Louise Shackelford, all of Henderson, TN; a sister, Freda Waggoner, and a brother, Cletus Pruett and wife Sharon, all of Dexter, MO; and many nieces, nephews, extended family, and dear friends.

In addition to her parents, Lora Lee was preceded in death by two sisters, Clodina and Velda, and three brothers: Edsel, Loren, and Carman.

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

Graveside services will be held at Gravel Hill Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri on Friday, March 22, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.

Shackelford Funeral Directors of Selmer, Tennessee is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Robert “Windy” Richmond

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Robert “Windy” Richmond, son of the late E. W. “Lige” Richmond and Hester Holcomb Richmond, was born on May 26, 1926, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on March 17, 2024, at Memory Lane in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 97 years.

Mr. Richmond was a Veteran of the United States Army, serving in WWII and he was a former accountant for IXL in Bernie, Missouri. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Dexter, Missouri, and a resident of Dexter. He was a volunteer for the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, and he enjoyed traveling with his wife.

On May 20, 1950, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Mary Jo Scruggs. Mrs. Richmond preceded him in death on January 11, 2005.

He is survived by his son, Randal W. Richmond of Dexter, Missouri, and by several nieces and nephews.

Other than by his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by five brothers, Harry Richmond, Carl Richmond, Wayne Richmond, H.M. Richmond, and C.L. “Babe” Richmond; and by his sister, Marjorie Justice.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Mitch Grainger officiating. Interment will follow in the Dexter Cemetery.

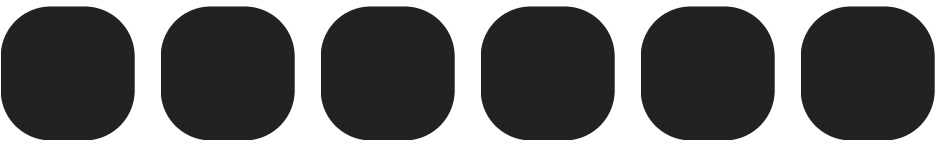
Memorials may be made to the Keller Public Library, 402 W Grant Street, Dexter MO 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Larry Dale Summers

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In Memory of Larry Dale Summers

On Sunday, March 17, 2024, Larry Dale Summers, age 60, passed away peacefully after a hard-fought battle with CNS Lymphoma. Larry was born on August 30, 1963, in Columbus, Mississippi.

Larry met Kendra Machel Durham and they were married on August 12, 1983, in Bernie. They were married for 40 years before Larry's passing.

He is survived by his wife Kendra Summers of Bernie, Mo.; his beloved daughter Cassie Summers of Dexter, Mo; by his future son-in-law, Justin Cummings of Bernie, Mo and future grandchildren, Lilli and Colton; also by one younger brother Richard Wade Summers and wife Kim of Jackson, Mo; by his mother Frances Summers of Bernie, Mo; by his sister Janette Burns of Morley, Mo.; as well as a multitude of other family and friends.

Preceding him in death was his father, Robert Lee Summers, one older brother, Gary Lee Summers and one sister, Jerrica Moore.

Larry never met a stranger and was blessed with the gift of gab. It was often said that Larry could talk to a fence post. He was also very humorous and not shy about expressing his feelings. He had the ability to fix most anything, especially if it had to do with vehicles. He wasn't afraid to tackle a project. He enjoyed camping, fishing, tinkering with cars and being with family and friends. He loved hanging out with friends around a bonfire.

Larry was hard working truck driver for 40 years and he was excellent at it. He learned from the best of a long line of truckers, including his father, brothers, and many friends. Larry was leased to his long-time friend's company, Eddie Foust, at Foust Brother's Trucking, before becoming ill in October 2023. Larry's life leaves behind cherished memories, much love, and a legacy of strength and resilience.

Graveside services will be conducted in Bernie Cemetery on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, starting at 1:00 PM. Stan Dauck officiating. Interment Following. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

Memorial's may be made to:

St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital
501 St. Jude Place
Memphis, TN 38105

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In Memory of Henry Maldonado

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In Memory of Henry Maldonado

Henry Maldonado, son of the late Manfredo Maldonado and Crescencia Ortiz Maldonado, was born on July 26, 1957, in Ithica, Michigan, and departed this life on March 17, 2024, at Mercy Hospital Southeast in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 66 years.

Mr. Maldonado had worked for Max Rinehart Farms, and he was a resident of Dudley, Missouri. He was a lifetime member of the NRA, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and going for rides through the country with his wife, and he was an avid reader.

On January 2, 1984, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Renauta Fisk. Mrs. Maldonado survives.

Along with his wife, he is survived by two sons, Ryan Maldonado and wife Bobbi of Bloomfield, Missouri, and Adam Maldonado of Dudley, Missouri; by two sisters, Hilda Bradshaw of Bernie, Missouri, and Hilma Reyes of Dudley, Missouri; and by two granddaughters, Olivia Maldonado and Emma Maldonado.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Harry Maldonado.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. with Clyde Weathers officiating.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Tucson Ray Barton

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In Memory of Tucson Ray Barton

Tucson Ray Barton son of Cameron Barton of Essex, Missouri and Tia Rogers of Essex, Missouri was born on December 30, 2023 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri and departed this life on March 14, 2024 in Essex, Missouri .

The best part of his mother, father, and sisters day was seeing his infectious smile that could light up the whole world. Tucson was the highlight of his sisters day, as soon as she woke up in the morning, and came home in the afternoon, she loved being with Tucson. He loved being talked to by his mommy and daddy, and he would save his biggest smiles for them, he was their world. God gave him the most beautiful and perfect hair, he enjoyed being held tight and getting “snuggles” from his sissy. His strength really showed out, when trying to hold his head up, when he was just weeks old. Tucson’s memory will live in our hearts and minds forever.

Other than his parents, Cameron and Tia, Tucson is survived by his sister, Tulsa Hahn of Essex, Missouri; by his maternal grandparents, Travis and Michelle Rogers of Clubb, Missouri and Janie Pinkley of Essex, Missouri; by his paternal grandparents, Jennifer Barton and Mike Brittain of Mayfield, Kentucky and John and Marci Barton of Little Rock, Arkansas; by his great-grandparents, Rickie and Janet Hampton of Sikeston, Missouri and Loyd and Patsy Cullum of Lowndes, Missouri; by his uncle, Jordan Barton of Sikeston, Missouri; by his aunt's, Mariah Barton of Jackson, Missouri, Londyn Barton of

Mayfield, Kentucky, Tori Hunsaker and husband Alex of Broseley, Missouri, Taylor Rogers of Dexter, Missouri, Trista Rogers of Clubb, Missouri, and Trinity Pinkley of Essex, Missouri; and by many extended relatives.

He was preceded in death by his great- grandparents, John and Nina Williamson, and Chuck Rogers.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at the Church on the Rock in Sikeston, Missouri. Funeral services will then be conducted at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at Church on the Rock in Sikeston, Missouri. Interment will follow at the Fairview cemetery near Puxico, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri is assisting the family with arrangements.

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