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In Memory of Cassandra “Sandy” McGowan

JUNE 09TH 2024 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Cassandra “Sandy” McGowan, daughter of Lydia Clark of Dexter, Missouri and the late Robert E. Clark, was born on September 9, 1966, in Bowling Green, Kentucky and departed this life at her residence in Bernie, Missouri on June 6, 2024, at the age of 57.

Sandy had worked at Ames True Temper (IXL) in Bernie and was also a longtime cook at Little House restaurant in Bernie. She enjoyed coaching her girls in softball when they were younger, hunting for arrowheads, but ultimately spending time with her grandbabies brought her the most joy in life. She also enjoyed watching the live stream church services from Lighthouse Church and FBCCV in Cherokee Village, AR.

Other than by her mother, she is survived by her daughters, Kristine Gooch and husband Josh of Highland, Arkansas, and Miranda Blocker and husband, Cory of Dexter, Missouri; by three brothers, Robbie Clark of Spring Lake, North Carolina, William “Billy” Clark of Jackson, Missouri, and Sonny Hudson of Rolla, Missouri; by four sisters, Kathy Strange of Spring Lake, North Carolina, Melissa Sypherd of Phoenix, Arizona, Erica Hudson of Rolla, Missouri, and Laura Hudson of St. James, Missouri; and by five grandchildren, Isaac Gooch, Renly Gooch, Luke Blocker, Lawson Blocker, and Barrett Blocker.

She was preceded in death by her grandson, Myles Gooch; and by her biological father, Merrit “Sonny” Hudson.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri. Funeral services will then be conducted on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie, Missouri. Interment will follow at the Dexter cemetery.

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In Memory of Clifford Burks

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In Memory of Clifford Burks

Clifford Burks, son of the late Samuel Burks and Iva Brown Burks, was born on June 26, 1931, in Holland, Missouri, and departed this life on June 4, 2024, at the Lutheran Home in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 92 years.

Mr. Burks was a Veteran of the United States Navy, serving in the Korean War. He was a former employee of the General Motors Truck Plant in Flint, Michigan. He was a resident of Dexter, Missouri, a member of Risen Church in Dexter and a deacon.

On November 25, 1953, in Campbell, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Dorothy Griffin. Mrs. Burks preceded him in death on January 3, 2020.

He is survived by his son, Darwin Burks and wife Donna of Grand Blanc, Michigan; by two brothers, Odell Burks and Roy Burks both of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; by his sister, Hazel Boedecker of Kalamazoo, Michigan; by five grandchildren, Dustin Burks and wife Courtney, Denise Olson, Danielle Visser and husband Shaun, Drew Burks, and Anthony Burks and wife Chelsea; by nine great-grandchildren, Daniel Olson, Dane Olson, Davis Olson, Danika Burks, Deker Burks, Audrey Burks, Brantley Burks, Esme

Visser, and Sylvie Visser.

Other than by his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Darrell Burks; by two brothers, Thelbert Burks, and James Paul Burks; and by three sisters, Katherine Thurmond, Earline Cates, and Florence Steele.

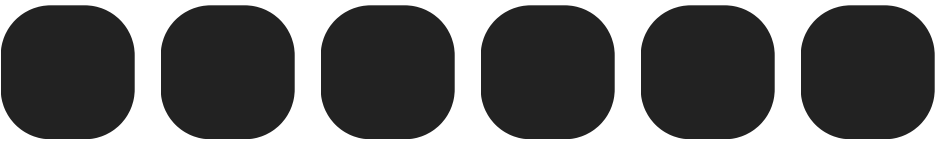
Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, June 8, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Jerry Pauline Nelson

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In Memory of Jerry Pauline Nelson

Jerry Pauline Nelson, age 90, died in Fulton, MO on June 3, 2024. Pauline, as she was known to all family and friends, was born in Piggott, Arkansas on April 15, 1934, to Carl F. and Opal Gales.

On July 2, 1956, she was united in marriage to the love of her life, Harold Wayne Nelson of Cape Girardeau, MO.

Pauline was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her two brothers, Norman Lewis and Donald Ray Gales, and three sisters, Maxine Webb, Peggy Huey and Joan Osbourn.

Pauline lived in Dexter, MO for the majority of her life, moving to Fulton, MO three years ago to be closer to her nieces, Carla O’Neal (Friend, Gus), Liz (Bill) Books and nephew, Andy (Susan) Huey.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Dexter, MO. She participated in many of the First Baptist Christmas Pageants during her years in Dexter.

Pauline retired from Arvin manufacturing plant in Dexter. During her retirement years she enjoyed playing cards with her many friends.

She is survived by nieces Carla O’Neal, Carol Webb, Liz Books, Julie Busick, Janna Strickland, Robin Woodard, Joann Gales and Kim Gales, and nephews Andy Huey and Carl Gales.

Pauline will be buried in the Poplar Bluff City Cemetery beside her late husband. A family graveside ceremony will be conducted at the time of burial.

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In Memory of Marilyn Jiles

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In Memory of Marilyn Jiles

Marilyn Jiles, daughter of the late James William Rankins and Juanita O'Neal Rankins, was born on December 28, 1948, in Sikeston, Missouri, and departed this life on June 2, 2024, at Winchester Nursing in Bernie, Missouri at the age of 75 years.

Mrs. Jiles was a former cashier at Wal-Mart in Sikeston, Missouri. She was a member of Gray Ridge General Baptist Church and a resident of Gray Ridge, Missouri. She enjoyed playing the piano.

She is survived by her son, Keith Jiles of New Madrid, Missouri; by two nephews, Clinton Corlew and wife Jamie of Essex, Missouri, and Jeff Corlew of Essex, Missouri; by her niece, Cristi Comfort and husband Jason of Dexter, Missouri; and by five great-nieces and one great-nephew.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Carolyn Corlew.

Graveside services will be held at New Essex Cemetery on Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Floyd Eugene “Gene” Gaines

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In Memory of Floyd Eugene “Gene” Gaines

Floyd Eugene “Gene” Gaines, son of the late Floyd Eugene Gaines and Gladys Clark Wilburn, was born November 1, 1939, in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life June 2, 2024, at his home in Dexter at the age of 84 years.

Mr. Gaines worked for Coffey and Camp Lumberyard before working as a salesman for Busy Bee Lumber in Dexter, Missouri. He was a member of The United States National Guard, he attended the Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter, and he was a former member of the Dexter Elks Lodge. He enjoyed spending time with his family, walking at the park and doing yardwork.

On April 17, 1987, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Susan Hatfield. Mrs. Gaines survives of their home in Dexter.

Along with his wife he is survived by four daughters, Gina (Robert) Slavings of Rogersville, Missouri, Shelly (Jim) Trout of Puxico, Missouri, Kristina Edwards of Dexter, Missouri and Trina Edwards of Dexter, Missouri; by his son, Robbie (Hanna) Edwards of Sikeston, Missouri; by his brother, Marlin Gaines of Sikeston, Missouri; by his sister, Pat Wills of Festus, Missouri; by five grandchildren, Stephanie (Allen) Farmer, Joshua (Zona) Gaines, Logan (Mikayla) Gaines, Jayden Edwards and Cameron Edwards; and by four great-grandchildren, Chloe Farmer, Sheldon Farmer, Kaydee Farmer and Isabella Farmer.

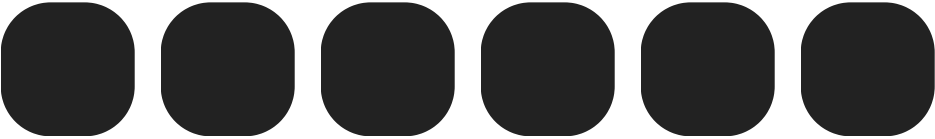
Other than by his parents he was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Maura Peters; by his great-grandson, Bryson Umfleet; and by his sister, Wanda Carwile.

Visitation will be held Wednesday June 5, 2024, at the Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter, Missouri from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted Wednesday June 5, 2024, at the Lighthouse Christian Church at 1:00 p.m. with Rev Tim Russell officiating. Interment will follow at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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