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In Memory of Rita Darline Stallings

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In Memory of Rita Darline Stallings

Rita Darline Stallings, daughter of the late Henry Albert Moser and Goldie Ellen Wilson Moser, was born in Sikeston, Missouri on June 27, 1949 and departed this life at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on January 12, 2025 at the age of 75.

Mrs. Stallings had worked at Elder Manufacturing in Dexter, Missouri, and was a homemaker and a resident of Bernie.

She was united in marriage to Kenneth Earl Stallings in Benton, Missouri on March 27, 1988. Mr. Stallings survives in their home in Bernie.

Other survivors include one son, Billy Griffin & wife Christy of Bernie, Missouri; by three step-daughters, Tryna Mitchell & husband Scott and Melissa Currie & husband Mike all of Dexter, and Sherry Stallings of Mount Morris, Michigan; by two brothers, Sonny Moser of Bloomfield, Missouri and Butch Moser of Sikeston, Missouri; by three sisters, Della Jones of Sikeston, Missouri, Bobbie Moser and Jerry Hinman both of Dexter, Missouri; by eight grandchildren, Riley Griffin, Sydney Griffin, Hannah Wilson, Hayli Finch, Kayla High, Zeth High, Jessica Pumfrey and Nathan Pumfrey; by several great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents, by one sister, Linda Crider.

No services are being planned at this time. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Betty McClintock

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In Memory of Betty McClintock

Betty McClintock, daughter of the late Dan Duggins and Francis Gaulden Duggins, was born Aug. 6, 1935, in Camdenton, Missouri, and departed this life Dec.15, 2024, at her residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 89 years.

Mrs. McClintock was a former school teacher for the Bloomfield R14 Public Schools, retiring after 30 years of service. She was a member of CrossRoads Global Methodist Church for 40 years, a former member of the Stoddard County Unit of the Retired Teachers Association, the Missouri State Teachers Association and the Bloomfield CTA, where she served as president for 2½ years. She had also served in the Altrusa organization to promote literacy, as a community representative for Family and Children's Services in Stoddard County and on the Stoddard County Mental Health Board. She was a former member and secretary for the Daughters of the American Revolution, she was active in the Bloomfield's Women Club and Alpha Delta Kappa, and she and her husband, Bruce, were active members of the Christian Motorcyclists

Association and Midwest Commissioners. She was also a former volunteer for Relay for Life, UCAN, The Center for Family Resources, and Keller Public Library in Dexter. In her younger years, Betty enjoyed riding motorcycles, traveling, painting and playing Scottish games and she loved watching her grandchildren play in the swimming pool.

On July 25, 1954, in Marshall, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Bruce McClintock. Mr. McClintock survives of their home in Dexter.

Along with her husband, she is survived by two sons, Dan McClintock and wife, Mary, of Waynesboro, South Carolina, Brian McClintock and wife, Shelley, of Dexter, Missouri; five grandchildren, Mark McClintock, Sara Owens, Colton Lobianco, William "Billy" McClintock, and Carson McClintock; and six great-grandchildren, Emily Hester, Eyan McClintock, Paisley Owens, Emery McClintock, Ely McClintock, and Charley Owens.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Dan Duggins.

Funeral services were held at CrossRoads Global Methodist Church in Dexter on Thursday, Dec. 19, 2024. Interment followed in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter assisted with arrangements.

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In Memory of Diana Lynn Metcalf

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In Memory of Diana Lynn Metcalf

Diana Lynn Metcalf, daughter of the late AJ Riddell and Hazel Corbin Riddell, was born on March 3, 1957 in Dexter, Missouri, and departed this life on January 10, 2025, at her residence in Bloomfield, Missouri at the age of 67 years.

Mrs. Metcalf was a former employee of Faurcia in Dexter, retiring with 20 years of service and she was a member of Pleasant Grove Church in Dexter. She enjoyed fishing and crafts and loved having picnics with her grandchildren.

On August 13, 2005, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to David Metcalf. Mr. Metcalf survives of their home in Bloomfield.

Along with her husband, David, she is survived by two sons, Cecil Whitaker and wife Cindy of Dexter, Missouri, and Billy Joe Whitaker and wife Ashley of Dexter, Missouri; by her daughter, Jennifer Hector and husband Tim of Bloomfield, Missouri; by two brothers, Jim Riddell of Parma, Missouri, and Charley Riddell of Malden, Missouri; by her sister, Ruth Hicks of Rector, Arkansas; by nine grandchildren, Daisy Stoker, Ely Stoker, Luke Whitaker, Clayton Whitaker, Lydia Whitaker, Calysta Whitaker, Haney Whitaker, Addie McCord, and Bailey Whitaker; and by two great grandchildren, Stevie Stoker and August Padilla Varela.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Loyd Jarrett Jr, and by four brothers, Leonard Riddell, Steven Riddell, Clinton Riddell, and Wesley Riddell.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, January 12, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Hill Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Lydia Clark

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In Memory of Lydia Clark

Lydia Clark, daughter of the late William Samuel Whitaker and Helen Myers Whitaker, was born on November 2, 1947, in Powe, Missouri, and departed this life on January 9, 2025, at Mercy Hospital Southeast in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, at the age of 77 years.

Mrs. Clark worked for numerous years at Tool N Dye Metal Removal in Malden, Missouri, for 8 years she worked for SCA Hygiene and retired after 10 years as a Veteran's Financial Advisor at Three Rivers Community College in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. She was of the Baptist faith and a resident of Bernie, Missouri.

On October 17, 1966, in Bowling Green, Kentucky, she was united in marriage to Robert Ernie Clark. Mr. Clark preceded her in death on November 5, 2009.

She is survived by two sons, Robbie Clark of Spring Lake, North Carolina, and William "Billy" Clark of Jackson, Missouri; by two daughters, Kathy Strange of Spring Lake, North Carolina, and Melissa Sypherd of Phoenix, Arizona; by two brothers, Bill Whitaker of Somonauk, Illinois, Roger Whitaker of Dexter, Missouri; by seven sisters, Donna Skidmore of Wappapello, Missouri, Suzette "Sue" Hendrix of

Batavia, Illinois, Carol Vincent of Dexter, Missouri, Clara Wiseman of Sikeston, Missouri, Robin Gregg of Dexter, Missouri, Helen Ward of Wappapello, Missouri, and Cheryl Cowart of Bloomfield, Missouri; and by eighteen grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren.

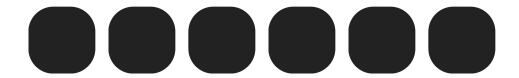
Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Cassandra "Sandy" McGowan, and by her brother, John Whitaker.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in Dexter Cemetery.

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In Memory of Dora Yvonne Carter

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In Memory of Dora Yvonne Carter

Dora Yvonne Carter, daughter of the late Robert Lee Wilcox and Thelma Lou Grayum Wilcox was born in Bernie, Missouri on January 5, 1944 and departed this life at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on January 9, 2025 at the age of 81.

Mrs. Carter had worked at International Hat Factory in Dexter, also at Media Press in Sikeston, Missouri. She attended Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church of Sikeston, Missouri; and was a resident of rural Dexter, Missouri. Mrs. Carter enjoyed Scrapbooking, Genealogy, Crocheting and spoiling her Grands.

She was united in marriage to Freeman Luke Carter in Bernie, Missouri on June 26, 1959. He preceded his wife in death on October 1, 1998.

Survivors include four sons, J.R. Carter & wife Marla of Bernie, David Matthew Carter of Godfrey, Illinois, Robert W. Carter & wife Christina of Union, Missouri, Rodney L. Carter & wife Joanna of Bernie, Missouri; by one daughter, Annette Davis & husband Jeff of Ellsinore, Missouri; by four sisters, Janice Elaine Wilcox of Highland, Illinois, Jeanette Rice of Kansas City, Missouri, Becky King & husband Danny of Dexter, Missouri and Debbie Patterson & Curt of Risco, Missouri; by numerous Grandchildren, Greatgrandchildren and Great-Great-grandchildren; also by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death other than by her parents and her husband, by two grandchildren, Travis Carter and Summer Learue; by three sisters, Deloris Probst, Donna Sylvester, and Sharon Cullum.

Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Monday morning, January 13, 2025, from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel Monday, January 13, 2025, starting at 1:00 PM with Rev. John Tarter officiating.

Interment will follow in the Bernie Cemetery. Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with arrangements.

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