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In Memory of Walter Jackson Jr.

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In Memory of Walter Jackson Jr.

Walter Jackson Jr., son of Mary McFall Pulliam of Dexter, Missouri, and the late Walter Jackson Sr., was born on January 30, 1960, in St. Louis, Missouri, and departed this life on February 21, 2025, at Mercy Hospital South, in St. Louis, Missouri, at the age of 65 years.

Mr. Jackson was a Veteran of the United States Army, a van driver for the Railroad Company, and a resident of Dexter, Missouri. He enjoyed fishing and playing board games and card games with his family.

Along with his mother, he is survived by his brother, James Glenn Jackson of Dexter, Missouri; by his sister, Patricia "Trish" Jackson of Dexter, Missouri; by his nieces, Lexi Silvey, Kelly Rutledge, and Christie Jackson; by his great nieces, Courtney Cottrell, Jasmine Rutledge, Jamie Rutledge, and Addy Rutledge; and by his great nephew, Hunter Rutledge.

A graveside service will be conducted on Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.

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

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In Memory of Rev. Larie C. Burdine

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In Memory of Rev. Larie C. Burdine

Rev. Larie C. Burdine, 83, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, passed away peacefully on February 21, 2025, at West Alabama Hospice, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in a farmhouse in Bloomfield, Missouri, on May 27, 1941, to Clyde and Alma Burdine, Larie's life was one marked by deep faith, gentle kindness, and a calling to serve. He dedicated nearly 50 years as an ordained Assemblies of God pastor, shepherding churches across Tennessee, Illinois, and Missouri. Known for his loving heart, gentle spirit, and an infectious laugh that could brighten any room, Larie left an indelible mark on everyone blessed to know him.

On November 17, 1962, Larie married the love of his life, Geraldine Burdine. Together, they built a life rooted in faith, family, and service. Beyond the pulpit, Larie was a gifted artist, known for his oil paintings of nature and rustic barn scenes. He found joy in camping adventures with Geraldine in their travel trailer, countless hours tinkering with antique tractors on their Missouri farm, and, most of all, spending time with his beloved grandchildren.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 62 years, Geraldine Burdine; his children, Chris A. Burdine (Toni) of Dexter, Missouri, Rev. Paul M. Burdine (Kara) of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and Dustin A. Burdine of Jackson, Missouri; his grandchildren, Cheyanne Smith, Madilyn Burdine, Tucker Burdine, Wyatt Burdine, Hadlee Burdine, Charlotte Burdine, and Andrew Burdine; and his great-grandchildren, Stella Pippins, Avery Smith, and Delaney Smith. He is also survived by his brother, Tony Burdine of Bloomfield, Missouri, and his sister, Peggy Hunt of Scottsville, Kentucky.

Larie was preceded in death by his parents, Clyde and Alma Burdine, and his sister, Mary Burdine Percy.

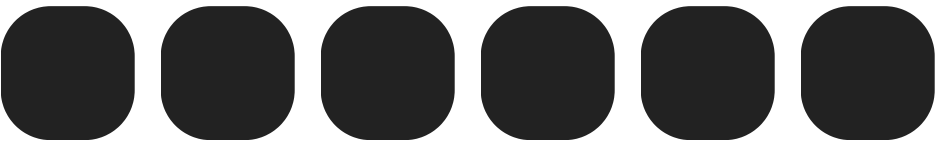
Larie’s legacy is one of faithfulness—to God, to his family, and to every community he served. He will be deeply missed but remembered with love and gratitude.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 27, from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM at Lighthouse Christian Center in Dexter, Missouri, followed by the funeral service at 6:00 PM. A graveside ceremony will take place on Friday morning at 10:00 AM at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri.”

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In Memory of James Charles Buck

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In Memory of James Charles Buck

Mr. James Charles Buck, 78 of Murray, passed away on Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at his home.

Jim was born on March 10, 1946 to Charles and Lois Buck in St. Louis City, MO.

Raised in St. Ann, MO until high school, the family moved to Bloomfield, MO where he graduated. He joined the Army National Guard where he served as a Staff Sergeant. Jim was united in marriage to Judy (Kennemore) Buck who preceded him in death on November 8, 2024.

Jim and Judy settled in Sikeston, MO, where Jim served on the library board, was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Elks, as well as, the First Christian Church.

Together they had two children from their union, Keith Buck (Shelly) and Kim Crumley (Barry). He had four grandchildren, Jacob Crumley, Victoria Rogalla (Brady), Keiton Buck and Jase Crumley. Jim also considered Dillon Jamerson one of his grandchildren. He loved his three great grandchildren, Ben Jamerson, Chloe Jamerson, and Waylon Rogalla, who brought him so much joy when they came to see him. He is also survived by one sister, Barbara Dalton (David) of Bloomfield, MO.

Jim and his wife retired to Murray where they loved living at the lake. He was given the honor of being commissioned a Kentucky Colonel by the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Jim's happiest times were spent traveling with Judy and he loved talking about their adventures.

Visitation will be held on Monday, March 3, 2025 from 10 AM until 12 PM at Imes Funeral Home, 311 N. 4th St., Murray, KY 42071.

The funeral service will start at 12 PM with Jeff Rudy officiating. Entombment will follow at Murray Memorial Gardens.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place , Memphis, TN 38105.

Please join family and friends in honoring the life of Jim Buck by visiting **www.imesfh.com** and posting your tributes and memories.

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In Memory of Gertrude Elvena Martin

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In Memory of Gertrude Elvena Martin

Gertrude Elvena Martin, 82, of Dexter, Missouri, peacefully gained her wings on February 21, 2025, at her home. She was born in Fisk, Missouri, on October 9, 1942.

Elvena was a woman who touched the hearts of everyone she met, always offering kind and encouraging words to those she loved. Growing up in the rural Puxico area, Elvena's charm and grace were evident early on. She was honored to be the first runner-up in the 1959 Miss Puxico Pageant and a graduate of Puxico High School in 1960.

Elvena's love story with her husband, Ronnie Sr., who survives, began on December 2, 1961. From their early years together in St. Louis to their final days in Dexter, their marriage was filled with countless adventures. Elvena worked for many years at Puxico State Bank before becoming an insurance agent in Dexter. Throughout her life, she was also an active member of the Puxico chapter of The Order of Eastern Star. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Dexter.

A devoted mother to Ronnie Martin Jr. (Nicky) of Puxico, who survives her, and to her late son, Corey "Petey" Martin, Elvena's love for her family knew no bounds. She is also survived by her three grandsons: Ben Martin of Piggott, AR, Brandon (Bethany) Coleman of Gordonville, and Nathan Martin (Julia Williams) of Cape Girardeau, and a great-grandson, Baylor Coleman.

In addition to her son Corey "Petey", Elvena was preceded in death by her parents, Elam and Lucille Newsom, and her brother, E.R. "Sonny" Newsom. She is survived by her three sisters: Marian John of Salt Lake City, Utah, Carolyn Williams of Fenton, and Judy (Joe) Farthing of Bridgeton. Elvena is also survived by many cherished brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Elvena's legacy of love, kindness, and strength will live on in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing and loving her.

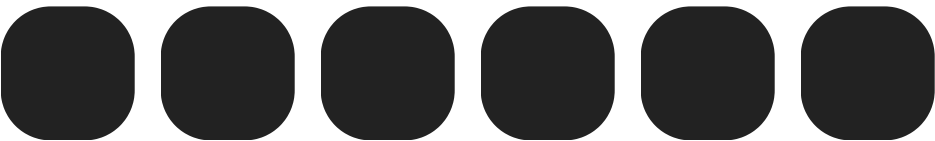
Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri, on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Rock Point Cemetery in Swinton, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Marcella Corlies

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In Memory of Marcella Corlies

Marcella Corlies, daughter of the late Arvel Cannon and Velma Snider Cannon, was born on September 8, 1926, in Essex, Missouri, and departed this life on February 19, 2025, at her residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 98 years.

Mrs. Corlies was a former co-owner of the Pyletown Store with her husband. She was a member of Pleasant Grove Church in Pyletown, Missouri. She enjoyed quilting and was a big fan of NASCAR.

On July 7, 1947, in Piggott, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to George W. Corlies Jr. Mr. Corlies preceded her in death on October 1, 1983.

She is survived by her son, Bobby Lee Corlies and wife Denise of Jacksonville, Florida; by two daughters, Velma Ruth Ray of Dexter, Missouri, and Georgia Ann Haney of Dexter, Missouri; by her daughter-in-law, Shirley Corlies of Dexter, Missouri; by her brother, Loy Cannon of Dexter, Missouri; by three sisters, Norma Gibbons of Dexter, Missouri, Helen Lane of Columbia, Missouri, and Jo Ann Smith of Dallas, Texas; by five grandchildren, Candy Copeland, Bobbi Lynn Ray-Wilhite, Mystee Corlies, Jeffrey George Corlies, and Kayse Soule; and by ten great grandchildren and several great-great grandchildren.

Other than by her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two sons, Charles Myron Corlies, and Ronnie Gene Corlies; by her sister, Luella Layton, and by two sons-in-law, Roger Ray and Ronnie Haney.

Marcella's family would like to thank Elara Caring Hospice for the loving care and support over the last few months.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Sunday, February 23, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Sunday, February 23, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Paul Pierce officiating. Interment will follow in Sycamore Cemetery in rural Dexter.

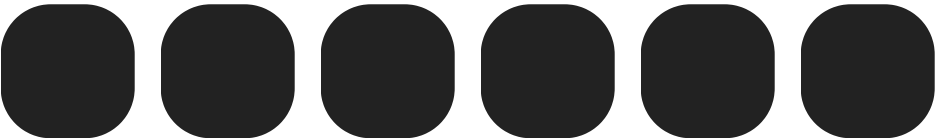
Memorials may be made to Sycamore Cemetery, c/o Bobbi Lynn Wilhite, 13874 County Road 624, Dexter MO 63841.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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