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## In Memory of Jack Floyd Rodgers

MARCH 13TH 2025 BY DEE LOFLIN

### In Memory of Jack Floyd Rodgers

Jack Floyd Rodgers, son of the late Opal Floyd Rodgers and Ellen Turnage Rodgers, was born on May 25, 1933, in Essex, Missouri, and departed this life on March 12, 2025, at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 91 years.

Mr. Rodgers was a Veteran of the United States Army and the former owner of Countywide Abstract & Title in Dexter, Missouri. He was a trustee, treasurer, deacon, Sunday school teacher and member of First General Baptist Church in Dexter, and a resident of Dexter. He was a member of the Dexter Rotary club for 50 years with perfect attendance, a former president of the Dexter Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Missouri Land Title Association, a former member of the Dexter School Board and a former member of the Dexter Library Board.

On September 7, 1956, in Dexter, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Melba Barker. Mrs. Rodgers survives of their home in Dexter.

Along with his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Teresa Overall and husband Jim of Dexter, Missouri; by his son-in-law, Gene Smith and wife Janet of Dexter, Missouri; by his sister, Patricia Rodgers of Dexter, Missouri; by four grandchildren, Heather Ryan (Jason), Emily Wilburn, Allison Traughber (Josh), and Garrett Wray (Elisha); by five step grandchildren, Matt Overall, Josh Overall, Melissa Smith, Billy Smith and Kimberly Lewallen; and by eleven great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Other than by his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Lisa Rodgers Smith; by his son-in-law, Phil Wray; and by his brother, Roy Gerald Rodgers.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, March 15, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Justin Cook officiating. Interment will follow in Chalk Bluff Cemetery.

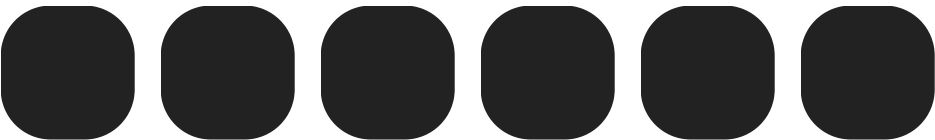
Memorials may be made to First General Baptist Church, 27 E Caster Street, Dexter, MO 63841 or Keller Public Library, 402 West Grant Street, Dexter, MO 63841

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Carolyn Kay Scales

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In Memory of Carolyn Kay Scales

Carolyn Kay Scales, daughter of the late Rueben Whitehead and Louise Green Whitehead, was born in Campbell, Missouri on February 12, 1941 and departed this life at Cypress Point Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri on March 9, 2025 at the age of 84.

Mrs. Scales had worked at Brown Shoe Company she ran samples, she later worked at Paramount Hat Factory in Dexter. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary American Legion in Malden, Missouri and was a member of Bethany General Baptist Church of Rural Campbell, Missouri.

She was united in marriage to Joe Marion Scales in Campbell, Missouri on April 18, 1964. Mr. Scales preceded his wife in death on April 8, 2019.

Survivors include one son, Joe Anthony Scales and wife Laura of Dade City, Florida; by her daughter, Kelly Owens and husband Dwight of Bernie, Missouri; by one brother, Mike Whitehead of Bernie, Missouri; by her sister-in-law, Annita Hurley of Bernie; by four grandchildren, Lindsey Scales, Rachel Scales, Krystal Hobgood and husband Derek and Waylon Owens and wife Kendra; by five great-grandchildren, Bella, Mila and Vance Owens and Dalton and Cane Hobgood; also by other relatives and friends.

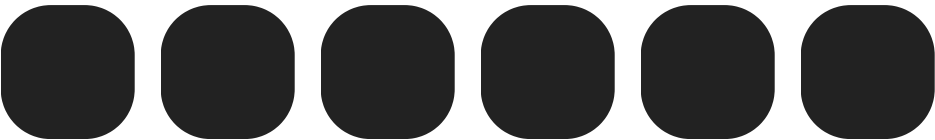
Friends may call at Mathis Funeral Home in Bernie, Missouri on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Funeral services will be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Bernie on Wednesday morning, March 12, 2025 starting at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow in Missouri State Veterans Cemetery, Bloomfield, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home of Bernie is assisting with all arrangements.

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# In Memory of Betty Jean Cannell

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## In Memory of Betty Jean Cannell

Betty Jean Cannell, daughter of the late Paul Thornton and Margaret Jines Forkum, was born on December 3, 1958, in Bernie, Missouri, and departed this life on March 8, 2025, at Mercy Hospital Stoddard in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 66 years.

Mrs. Cannell was a former nurse's aide for various nursing homes in Southeast Missouri. She attended Word of God Church and was a resident of Dexter.

On February 14, 2009, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Randy Cannell. Mr. Cannell survives of their home in Dexter.

Along with her husband, she is survived by her step-mother, Betty Lee Cogwell of Ravenden, Arkansas; by her brother, Carl Thornton of Yuma, Arizona; by two step-brothers, Marty White and Randy White of Manila, Arkansas; by her half-sister, Lillie Thornton of Washington; and by two step-sisters, Tammy Coleman of Washington, and Wanda Morrison of Ravenden, Arkansas.

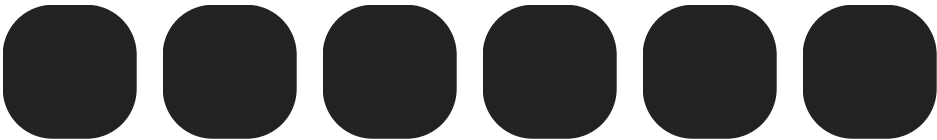
Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Friday, March 14, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, March 14, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of Mary Ann Fairchild

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## In Memory of Mary Ann Fairchild

Mary Ann Fairchild, daughter of the late Oscar Masterson and Mary Jarrell Masterson, was born February 13, 1928, in Dexter, Missouri and departed this life on March 7, 2025, at Memory Lane Skilled Nursing in Dexter, Missouri at the age of 97 years.

On August 25, 1945, in Dexter, Missouri, she united in marriage to Tom Fairchild. Mr. Fairchild preceded her in death on January 7, 2020.

She is survived by her daughter, Libby Parks and husband Bill of Benton, Missouri; and by her grandson, Wade Parks.

Other than by her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers, James Masterson, Adam Masterson and Louis Masterson; and by five sisters, Nancy Masterson, Melissa Masterson, Mae Ridenour, Sophia Deason and Ella Casey.

Visitation will be held at Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri on Tuesday March 11, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. Funeral services will then be conducted in the Mathis Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday March 11, 2025, at 1: 00 p.m. with Rev. Scotty Smothers officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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# In Memory of April Pennington

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April Pennington, daughter of Patricia Sidwell Loomis of Sikeston, Missouri, and the late Ricky D. Smith, was born on September 24, 1982, in Cookeville, Tennessee, and departed this life on March 5, 2025, at her residence in Bloomfield, Missouri, at the age of 42 years.

Ms. Pennington worked for Walmart in Sikeston, Missouri. She was of the Baptist faith and loved listening to music.

Along with her mother, she is survived by her daughter, Brianna Pennington of Sikeston, Missouri; and by her sister, Amber Steiner of Knoxville, Tennessee.

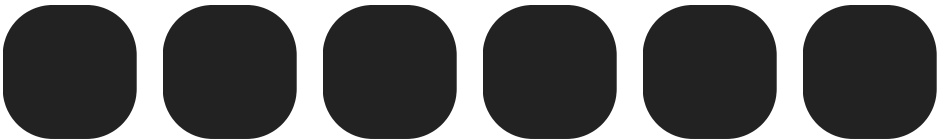
Private family service will be held at a later date.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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