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In Memory of Thomas Lee "T.L" Jarrell

APRIL 03RD 2025 BY DEE LOFLIN

In Memory of Thomas Lee

Thomas Lee "T.L" Jarrell, of Dudley, Missouri, was born on February 22, 1925, in Dudley, Missouri to the late James and Evelyn (Hutchcraft) Jarrell, and passed away on March 29, 2025, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri at the age of 100 years old.

On August 9, 1943, T.L. Jarrell and Mildred Kennedy were united in marriage in Bloomfield, Missouri and she preceded him in death on February 2, 2015.

T.L. lived in Dudley his whole life, and was a founding member of Dudley Community Church. He was a Military Police Officer during his time in the United States Army, and served in World War II. T.L. was an extraordinary man, and was loved by everyone who knew him. During his life time, he served as both Mayor and Sheriff of the town of Dudley. He was an avid outdoorsman, and even shot a 9 point buck at the age of 80 years old. T.L. was the owner of T.L. Jarrell & Sons Saw Mill for 50 years before his retirement in 2015. His name was synonymous in the area with integrity, kindness, wisdom, and strength. T.L's love for Christ was a shining example for family, friends, and his entire community.

Surviving family include his children: Aaron (Susan) Jarrell, of Dexter, Missouri, Junior (Carol) Jarrell, of Dexter, Missouri, Carol Kirby of Pacific, Missouri, and Linda Orr, of Dexter, Missouri, 9 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild, 1 brother, Dean Jarrell, of Dudley, Missouri, and 3 sisters, Dorothy Kinworhty and Janice Patterson, both of Dexter, Missouri, and Melba Dewrock, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

T.L. was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Mildred, a child, Patricia "Tweety" Kersey, a brother, JC Jarrell, and a sister, Louise Abbott.

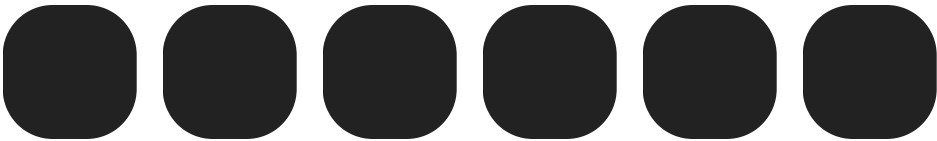
The visitation will be on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, beginning at 1 P.M. at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

The funeral will be on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, beginning at 2 P.M. at the Watkins and Sons Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri.

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In Memory of Keith Stoelting

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In Memory of Keith Stoelting

Keith Stoelting son of the late Marion “Dode” Stoelting and Cecilia Ann Howard Stoelting was born on April 13, 1951, in St. Louis, Missouri and departed this life on March 29, 2025, at the Saint Francis

Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 73.

Mr. Stoelting was the former treasurer and deacon at the Liberty Hill General Baptist Church. He helped start the Stoddard County Cowboy Church. He enjoyed being outside working in his garden, and deer hunting. He also loved spending time with his children, grandchildren and wife.

On May 28, 1999, he was united in marriage to Melanie Hanna Jackson in Puxico, Missouri. Mrs. Stoelting survives of their residence in Puxico, Missouri.

Other than by his wife he is survived by three sons, Scott Stoelting of Clarkton, Missouri, Michael Shane Stoelting of Cave Springs, Arkansas, and Nathan Jackson of Columbia, Missouri; by two daughters, Christy Stoelting of Ashland, Missouri, and Natalie Woodbury of Springfield, Missouri; by two brothers, Danny Stoelting of Camdenton, Missouri, and David Stoelting of Holcomb, Missouri; by eight grandchildren, Nicholas Keith Stoelting, Kesten Marsh, Kaiden Marsh, Harper Jackson, Remi Jackson, Stefan Jackson, Kellan Woodbury, and Kyan Woodbury; and by one great-grandchild, Lillian Stoelting.

Other than by his parents he was preceded in death by his first wife, Debbie Stoelting.

Memorials may be made to Liberty Hill General Baptist Church, Deacon Emergency Fund, 12760 County Road 420, Dexter, MO 63841 or Stoddard County Cowboy Church, 22790 County Road 295, Puxico, MO 63960.

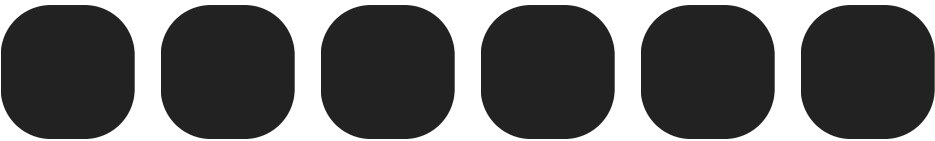
Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 3, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri. Funeral services will then be conducted on Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with Pastor Preston Owens officiating. Interment will follow in the Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kennett, Missouri.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Teddy Joe Mills

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In Memory of Teddy Joe Mills

Teddy Joe Mills son of the late JR Mills and Olive Ferguson Mills was born on August 17, 1933, in Dunklin County, Missouri and departed this life on March 28, 2025, at the Prairie View Skilled Nursing Center in Bloomfield, Missouri at the age of 91.

Mr. Mills was a Veteran of the United States Air Force and served during the Korean War and the Cold War. Ted had worked for Chrisman LP and also at Texon Terminals as their general manager. He was a member of the Crossroads-Global Methodist Church in Dexter, and the Bernie Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and golfing. His favorite thing to do was travel with the love of his life, Barbara.

He was united in marriage to Barbara Brown on February 18, 1956, in Malden, Missouri. Mrs. Mills survives of Dexter, Missouri.

Other than by his wife he is survived by his daughter, Sharon Hill and husband Bruce of Bloomfield, Missouri; by two brothers, Darrell Mills and wife Elaine of Amelia Island, Florida, and Jerry Mills (Niki Depew) of Cherokee Village, Arkansas; by two sisters, Pat Summers of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and Claudine Pinckley of Dexter, Missouri; by two grandchildren, Josh Hill of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Drew Hill and wife Chelsea of Hermitage, Tennessee; and by three great-grandchildren, Wesley Hill of Jefferson City, Missouri, and Oliver and Evelyn Hill both of Hermitage, Tennessee.

Other than by his parents he was preceded in death by his son, Bradley Fred Mills.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter, Missouri. Funeral services will then be conducted on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. in the Mathis Funeral Chapel in Dexter, Missouri with Pastor Michael Irvine officiating. Interment will follow in the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, Missouri with full military honors.

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In Memory of Jerry Cobb

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In Memory of Jerry Cobb

Jerry Cobb, son of the late Elizabeth Lyons Cobb and Clarence Cobb was born on March 1, 1942, in Success, Arkansas and departed this life on March 26, 2025, at his residence in Malden at the age of 83.

Mr. Cobb had worked at MFA in Bernie. He enjoyed fishing and hunting, being outdoors, gardening, and traveling.

On June 15, 1966, he was united in marriage to Maria Ellen “Mary” Trevino at Bloomfield, Missouri. Mrs. Cobb preceded him in death on November 22, 2023.

He is survived by two sons, Lee Cobb of Malden, Missouri and John Cobb of Doniphan, Missouri; by his daughter, Teresa Cobb of Malden, Missouri; by his brother, Joe Cobb of Bernie, Missouri; by two sisters, Verneal Ross of Malden, Missouri, and Bonnie Fouse of Hoopeston, Illinois; and by eighteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

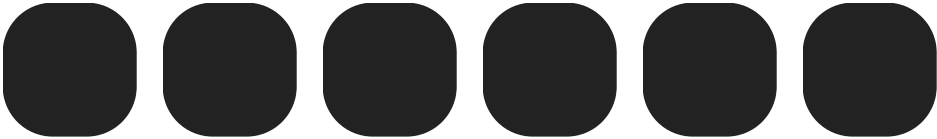
Other than by his wife and parents he was preceded in death by five brothers, Vonda Cobb, Gene Cobb, Willie Cobb, Leon Cobb, and Jerry Cobb; and by his sister, Wretha Minton.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. at the New Beginnings Christian Outreach in Malden, Missouri with Rev. Ricky Williams officiating.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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In Memory of Brenda Yvonne Colbert

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In Memory of Brenda Yvonne Colbert

Brenda Yvonne Colbert, daughter of the late Ralph “Pug” Buchanan and Altha Woodriff Buchanan, was born on January 25, 1946, and departed this life on March 15, 2025, at her residence in Dexter, Missouri, at the age of 79 years.

Mrs. Colbert was a former secretary for Rick Shipman Construction in Dexter, Missouri and was a member of Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter. She enjoyed sewing, collecting seashells and dolls, and working in their yard and garden, and she loved traveling with her husband.

On February 14, 1998, in Dexter, Missouri, she was united in marriage to James Edward Colbert.

She is survived by her sons, Rick Shipman and wife Barbie of Dexter, Missouri, Bobby Shipman and wife Rhonda of Bloomfield, Missouri, and Jimmy Colbert of Fredericktown, Missouri; by her daughters, Gerianne Twomey and husband Jason of Jacksonville, North Carolina, Julie Twomey and husband Jamie of Dexter, Missouri, and Sheri Burns and husband Randy of Ozark, Missouri; by two sisters, Annette Groves of Jacksonville, Florida, and Jo Faulkner of Warner Robins, Georgia; and by nineteen grandchildren, Bud Shipman, Grace Featherston, Kenna Shipman, Brent Shipman, Cody Shipman, Courtnie Greer, Dalton Twomey, Brandon Twomey, Donnie Twomey, Lexie Twomey, Anna Meales, Whitney Rust, Brittney Duncan, Haylee Minks, Sajah Ballard, Daniel Twomey, Kady Ballard, Jimmy

Colbert, and Kayla Burns; and by twenty great grandchildren.

Other than by her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughters, Darla Shipman and Rhonda Lee Colbert; and by her brother, Herschel Buchanan.

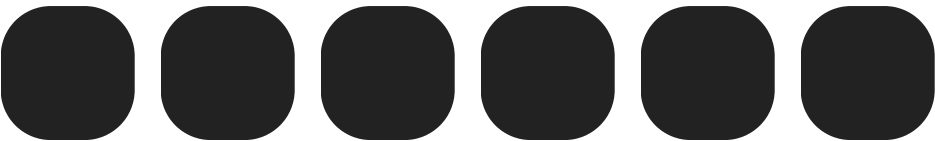
Visitation will be held at Lighthouse Christian Church in Dexter on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter is assisting with arrangements.

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