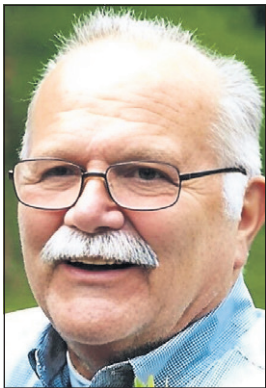


OBITUARIES

John Allen DeHart

John Allen DeHart, 78, passed away on Monday, June 2, 2025, at Baptist Health Paducah.

Born on March 30, 1947, in Herrin, Illinois, he brought joy and richness to the lives of those around him for 78 years. John served his nation with honor in the United States Army Special Forces as a 1st lieutenant Green Beret. John's leadership abilities and courage were evident to all who served by his side. After completing his military service, John transitioned to a career in the restaurant industry. Over the course of his career, John owned multiple restaurants, including the Sirloin Stockade in Paducah. He shared his love for the restaurant business with his children, inviting them each in turn to work by his side. A man who thrived in the outdoors, John's passion for exploration drove him west to the deserts of New Mexico and the mountains of Colorado. John was an avid woodsman who found excitement and solace in camping, hiking, hunting, and fishing expeditions. John also possessed a great sense of humor, a gift that he generously shared, endearing him to all. His laughter was contagious, his wit quick, and his warm, approachable demeanor led to many enduring friendships. Above all, family was at the core of John's existence. His love for his family was a force; it guided him, gave him purpose, and



was the source of his greatest joys.

John is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Janet Snider DeHart of Paducah; a daughter, Kristy (Kevin) Milton of Nashville, Tennessee; two sons, John "Jad" DeHart (Amy Stallons) of Aurora, and Eric (Tiffany) DeHart of Boaz; five grandchildren, Leo, Jase, Elliott, Audrey, and Tommy; two sisters, Cheryl Collum of Cherokee, Alabama, and Gail (Bill) Longworth of Cadiz; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Paul DeHart; and his parents, Johnnie DeHart Sr. and Betty Lane DeHart.

A memorial service was held at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 14, at Milner & Orr Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Paducah with David Parish officiating.

Visitation was held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Expressions of Sympathy may be made in the form of contributions to World Missions & Evangelism, 1335 US-68, Benton, KY 42025.

Share a memory or leave a message for the family at www.milnerandorr.com.

Steven Simpkins

NEW CONCORD — Steven Wayne Simpkins, 51, of New Concord, formerly of Fountain Lake, Arkansas, died

Sunday, June 15, 2025. Arrangements were incomplete at Imes Funeral Home & Crematory in Murray.

John W. Doughty

CALVERT CITY — John W. Doughty, 74, of Calvert City, passed away at his residence on Friday, June 13, 2025.

He was born on April 4, 1951, in Calvert City, to the late Willard and Catherine Dodge Doughty.

After completing his education, John answered the call of duty and served with distinction in the U.S. Army. Following his military service, John returned to Calvert City, where he began his career as a welder and maintenance worker at CC Metals and Alloys. Outside of his professional endeavors, John was an active member of the Lone Oak First Baptist Church.

John is survived by his wife of 54 years, Diane Rogers Doughty; a daughter, Lori Moore, and her husband, Todd of West Paducah; two sons, John C. Doughty and his wife, Hope, of Paducah and Robert Doughty of Paducah; five grandchildren, Dakota Box (Nickie), Dalton Box (Emily), Lane Box, Ava Doughty, and Kavin Doughty, all of Paducah; three great-grandchildren, Damon Box, Marlowe Box and Wednesday



Box; a sister, Shirley Kilby of Calvert City; two brothers, Willard Doughty Jr. of Calvert City, and Charlie Doughty of Possum Trot; his dog, Beau; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Jimmie Doughty and Ronnie Doughty.

Funeral Services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, June 20, at the Lone Oak Chapel of Milner & Orr Funeral Home with Rev. Bob Martin and Dr. Dan Summerlin officiating. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, June 20, at the Lone Oak Chapel of Milner & Orr Funeral Home.

You may leave a message of sympathy and light a candle of remembrance at milnerandorr.com.

Dolores Jean Belt

BENTON — Dolores Jean Belt was born on March 2, 1942, and went to be with the Lord on June 14, 2025. She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Duane G. Belt; her son Gary D. Belt; her parents, Helen Burgess and Arthur Duhaime; and her sister, Maian Phelps (Ernest Gilbert).

She is survived by a daughter, Kristy Coker (George III); along with her sister and brother, Donna Masiulis (John) and Robert Burgess (Susan); and several nieces and nephews.

Dolores was born in Detroit, Michigan, where she lived until 1973, when the family moved to Calvert City, after which she moved to the Reidland area in 2006. She moved to Bowling Green, in October of 2024, to be nearer to her daughter.

She worked for 30 years in the Billing Department at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, and after her retirement, she was an active member of the Marshall County Extension Homemakers in Benton from 2004 through 2022 where



she served as secretary for four of those years. She was an active and long time member of Little Cypress Baptist Church in Calvert City.

There will be a visitation and gathering of friends at Little Cypress Baptist Church on Wednesday, June 18, 2025 from 10 a.m.-noon, with interment to follow at Fooks Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Lone Oak Animal Clinic 125 Augusta Ave Paducah, KY 42003, please denote that it is to go to the McGansters Account.. She loved and misses her "Sweetie Pie," Luci, and supports the work done by McGangsters. Dolores will be missed by all that knew her.

Wilson Ray Griggs

CALVERT CITY — Wilson Ray Griggs, 81, of Calvert City, passed away Thursday June 12, 2025, at Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville, Tennessee. Wilson was born Aug. 16, 1943, to parents Evelyn Doughty Griggs and Woodrow Griggs. He was of the Church of Christ faith.

Wilson is survived by his wife of 64 years, Nancy Gordon Griggs, two sons David Griggs (Donna) of Gallatin Tennessee, and Chris Griggs (Lori) of Calvert City Kentucky, and one daughter, Robin Griggs Crosby (Matt) of Hopkinsville. He has



four grandchildren, Cole and Gage Griggs, Aaron and Nate Crosby; and one step-grandchild, Kyle Courtney (Kelly). Also surviving are his brother, Randle Griggs, and niece, Amanda Griggs, both of Benton. He was

preceded in death by his parents and sister-in-law, Wanda Carr Griggs.

Wilson was a huge fan of the UK Wildcats, St. Louis Cardinals, and any sport or activity his grandsons were participating in.

Wilson enjoyed hot rods, attending numerous street rod shows, dirt track races, stock car races, and drag races throughout his lifetime. He was the owner of a 38 Ford Coupe that he loved to show and drive. He also loved to travel with family and friends and had visited all lower 48 states.

Wilson retired from Air

Products and Chemicals in Calvert City after 30 years of service as a Union Maintenance Mechanic. Prior to his career at Air Products, Wilson taught Auto Mechanics at Marshall County Vocational School in Benton.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 21, at Collier Funeral Home with Gary Knuckles officiating.

Burial to follow at Marshall County Memory Gardens.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Friday, June 20, 2025, from at the funeral home.

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Lauder, philanthropist who globalized family cosmetic business, dies

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
AP RETAIL WRITER

NEW YORK — Leonard Lauder, a renowned philanthropist who expanded the family cosmetics business into a worldwide empire, has died at the age of 92.

Estee Lauder's Cos. announced the news in a release on Sunday and said he died on Saturday surrounded by family.

Lauder, the oldest son of Estee and Joseph H. Lauder, who founded the company in 1946, formally joined the New York business in 1958. Over more than six decades, Lauder played a key role in transforming the business from a handful of products sold under a single brand in U.S. stores to a multi-brand global giant. He had held the title of chairman emeritus at the time of his death.

Estee Lauder's products are sold in roughly 150 countries and territories under brand names including Clinique and Aveda, according to the company's latest annual report. The company generated sales of nearly \$16 billion in the fiscal year ended

June 30, 2024, the filing said.

Estee Lauder went public in 1995, but members of Lauder family still have about 84% of the voting

power of common stock, according to the latest annual filing.

Lauder served as president of The Estée Lauder Cos. from 1972 to 1995 and

as CEO from 1982 through 1999. He was named chairman in 1995 and served in that role through June 2009.

Under his stewardship,

Lauder created the company's first research and development laboratory, brought in professional management at every level, and was the impetus

behind The Estée Lauder Cos.' international expansion, helping to spearhead the company's sales and profits exponentially, according to the company.

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