

OBITUARIES

Ellis Scott Willoughby

1946-2025

Ellis Scott Willoughby, age 79 of Hardinsburg, passed away Monday, April 14 at Norton Audubon Hospital. He was born on March 30, 1946 in Louisville, son of the late Ellis and Ruby White Willoughby.

Scott and his wife Charlotte were the retired owners and operators of Willoughby and Son Construction, Willoughby and Son Appliance, and Willoughby Landscaping. He was a member of Hardinsburg Baptist



Church and Breckinridge County Community Center. Scott, along with his friend Huston DeHaven, were the sports commentators for

WXBC radio, covering Breckinridge County sports. He was a former basketball coach at St. Romuald High School and enjoyed playing golf, tennis, fishing, and classic cars.

Scott is survived by his wife, Charlotte Carver Willoughby of Hardinsburg; two children, Ashley Willoughby and his wife Tonya of Elizabethtown, and Lori Corbett and her husband Eric of Knoxville, Tenn.; his granddaughter, Anna Reagan Corbett;

stepgrandson, Jesse Bird; and one sister, Rita Gallagher of Short Creek.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 18 at Hardinsburg Baptist Church with burial in the Ivy Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 3:30 — 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 17 and on Friday after 9 a.m. at the church. All times are central.

Expressions of sympathy are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital or St. Romuald School.

Charles Owen 'Charlie' Wilson

1949-2025

Charles Owen "Charlie" Wilson, age 75 of Irvington, passed away Sunday, April 13 in Louisville. He was born on Aug. 10, 1949 in Hardinsburg, son of the late Thelma Leigh Compton Wilson and Robert Owen Wilson.

Charles was a U.S. Army Vietnam veteran and a member of the Bewleyville

Methodist Church.

Along with his parents, Charlie was preceded in death by his wife, Sue Carol Skaggs Wilson; and brother-in-law, John Foster.

He is survived by his sisters, Barbara Foster and Brenda (Jimmy) Gilpin; brother, Joe (Deborah) Wilson; stepchildren, Tamra (Brandon) Raney and Kenneth (Christy) Vowels; and stepgrand-

children: Emily and Megan Raney, and Jack and Lily Vowels.

Visitation will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Friday, April 18 at Alexander Funeral Home in Irvington.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. EDT on Friday at Alexander Funeral Home with Bro. Carlie Ross officiating.

Burial will follow in New Highland Cemetery next to his wife.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, Texas 75284-0692 or online at heart.org.

Online condolences may be left at www.irvingtonfh.com.



Lloyd 'Kenny' Lucas

1938-2025

Lloyd "Kenny" Lucas, age 87 of Big Spring, passed away Monday, April 7 at Baptist Health Hardin. He was born on April 6,

1938 in Big Spring, one of 13 children of the late Eva Mae Board and Charles Lucas, Sr.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Kenny is survived by

his wife, Shirley of Big Spring; and two children, Jerry Lloyd Lucas and his wife Tracy, and Patricia Ann Lucas, all of Big Spring.

Funeral services were

held on Saturday, April 12 at High Plains Methodist Church with burial in the church cemetery under the direction of Trent-Dowell Funeral Home.

Eucharistic adoration

What is Eucharistic Adoration?

This is one of the greatest events that happens in our lives. It's when your priest or Deacon takes the living presence of Jesus out of the Tabernacle and places Him on the altar for worship. He is in the Eucharistic form of bread, so it is fitting to place the host in a monstrance. This is a stand with a glass center that stands about two feet tall, so the consecrated

Host can be seen from most any pew in the church.

What's next?

You kneel and pray silently. This event most times lasts anywhere from one hour to 24 hours, 7 days a week, year-round. Someone must always be in His presence. "The Catholic Church has always offered

and still offers the Eucharist in adoration not only during Mass, but also outside of it, reserving the consecrated Host with

the utmost care, exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and carrying them in procession" (CCC #1378).

The process is simple; the spirituality is fantastic! To be in the presence of Jesus is the ultimate experience He gives to us. "This is my body" and "I am the bread of life." Jesus's own words! Wow, what a gift. Saint Ambrose (340-397 AD) wrote, "Could not Christ's word, which can make from nothing what did not exist, change existing things into what they were not before?" Solemn

veneration of the faithful is a great way to spend 30 minutes or 3 hours, after all, that's what you'll be doing in Heaven: spending time with Jesus. Heaven on Earth is present in your community; you do not have to be Catholic to be in the presence of the Eucharist, just call the local parish. A good prayer to use repeatedly in the presence of Jesus is "May I be less, so You will be more in me!" MJM!

Dale writes this article from his home in western Kentucky. Have a question? You may contact him at dale54@live.com.



DALE DEPOYSTER
WHY CATHOLIC?

Why was Social Security money moved to the General Treasury?

Dear Rusty: Why were the Social Security funds moved from the Social Security account to the General Fund with the government? Is it not then called a tax making it an entitlement? That then gives the government control of our retirement. Most of us feel that someone should be in charge and use the Social Security fund with investments that grow our savings. I invested my 401K

and savings, and the original amount made me money during the Trump years, and I'm now trying to catch up. I make this statement because I draw more from my investments than I receive from Social Security. Signed: Questioning Senior Citizen

Dear Questioning Senior: I'm afraid I must inform you that no Social Security funds have ever been moved from the Social Security account

to the government's General Fund — this is a pervasive myth that we have refuted many times over the years. For information, here is one of many articles I have published on this topic, which I hope you find interesting: <https://socialsecurityreport.org/ask-rusty-about-repaying-social-security-money-taken-by-politicians/>.

Someone actually is charged with monitoring our Social Security funds — a board of Social Security Trustees consisting of the Secretaries of Treasury, Labor, and Health &

Human Services, as well as the Commissioner of Social Security plus two Public Trustees. Each year the Social Security Trustees do a complete analysis of the Social Security program, especially its financial status and outlook for the future. If you have interest in the Trustee's latest annual report, here is a link to the 2024 analysis: <https://socialsecurityreport.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/tr24summary.pdf>.

What you will find in the Trustees' report is that Social Security will run out of reserved funds in

about 2033, necessitating an across-the-board cut of about 21% for everyone unless Congress acts soon to reform the program and restore it to fiscal solvency. The Trustees have warned Congress about this problem for many years, but Congress has yet to find the bipartisan cooperation needed to fix the problem. AMAC (the Association of Mature American Citizens) has steadfastly offered proposals to Congress that would restore Social Security to solvency and will continue

to do so with the new 119th Congress, which convened on Jan. 3, 2025.

Please know that we appreciate your feedback and commend you for the wise use of your 401k investments, which many of our members find necessary to supplement their Social Security. Remember, Social Security was never intended to provide all your retirement income, so earlier saving to supplement your retirement financial needs was a very wise move on your part.

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Lead poisoning symptoms: Lead is dangerous to people of all ages, but children younger than 6 years old are particularly susceptible. Some of the effects of lead exposure - even low levels- in children and adults can include: Damage to the kidneys and nervous system. Learning disabilities. Issues with speech, language and behavior. Slowed physical growth. High-risk pregnancies and fertility issues. High blood pressure. Problems with digestion. A simple blood test at the doctor's office can detect lead poisoning. The best way to treat lead poisoning is to remove or minimize exposure to lead.



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