

Area Obituaries

Mr. Dehart

Mark Wayne Dehart, 60, of Wallingford, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Friday, December 26, 2025.



He was born at Morehead on March 5, 1965, a son of Janice Dials, née Cooper, of Flemingsburg, and the late Paul Dehart.

In addition to his mother, survivors include his loving wife, Gretchen May Dehart, née McDonald; his precious children, William (Meghan) Dehart of Lynchburg, Ohio, Mark (Deidrea) Dehart of Wallingford, Joshua Dehart of Morehead, and Nicholas (Amber) Dehart of Tollesboro; eight siblings, Paula Easterling, Tresa Hignite, Lesa Morris, Connie Easterling, Lora Dials, Matthew Dials, Weldon Dials, and Eric Dehart; and his eight perfect grandchildren, Phillip Mays, Lillian Dehart, Rayland Dehart, Liam Dehart, Leilani Dehart, Tristen Dehart, Levi Dehart, and Madilyn Dehart.

Mark's extended family and friends are too numerous to name. He was deeply loved and will be missed by all.

There will be no formal service, and the family respectfully requests privacy as they carry out Mark's final wishes.

Dickerson Funeral Home in Vanceburg is honored to serve the family.

Condolences may be sent at www.globefamilyfc.com.

Ms. Kennedy

Phillip Larry Kennedy, 79, of Vanceburg, passed away Wednesday morning, December 31, 2025, at his home after an extended illness.



Phil was born at Garrison on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 1946, a son of the late Earl Wayne and Gladys Irene Carver Bentley Kennedy. As a blended family member, he was one of 13 children in the household.

As a young man, Phil worked at the steel mill in Portsmouth, Ohio, during the summer months to help his parents pay for his college education. Getting a good education was important to Phil. He graduated from Morehead State University in 1968 with a Bachelor's degree in Business Education.

He began his career at Olive Hill with Northeast Area Development Council as a Head Start director serving the district's seven-county area, including Lewis County. He also served as assistant to Lewis County Judge Executive Jackie Ray Cooper. Phil worked for Buffalo Trace Area Development District in Maysville for 14 years. He returned to Vanceburg and served as Superintendent of the Electric Plant Board of the City of Vanceburg until his retirement. Phil was a member of Vanceburg Christian Church.

Phil claimed his greatest success was his family, who he deeply loved and adored, especially his two granddaughters, Laura Kate and Colleen Elizabeth Kennedy.

In addition to his granddaughters, survivors include the love of his life, Linda Curtis Kennedy, his wife of 51 years; their two sons, Joe Kennedy and Mike (Kristy) Kennedy of Vanceburg; two sisters, Judy Kennedy Christian of Columbus, Ohio, and Pauline "Polly" Kennedy of Cincinnati, Ohio; and a sister-in-law, Judy Curtis of Vanceburg. Several nieces and nephews also survive who will mourn his passing.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by siblings, Eldene Kennedy Spriggs, Glenn Kennedy, Gene Kennedy, Hazel Bentley Overstreet, Marilyn Bentley Reedy, Fred Bentley, Beecher Bentley, Jack Bentley, and Mary Lou Kennedy; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, James "Jim" and Irene Lykins Curtis; a sister-in-law, Sharon Curtis; a brother-in-law, Gary Curtis, who was a very dear friend since high school, neighbor, personal shopper, and caregiver until his death in September 2025; and a great-nephew, Parker Cramer.

Phil often joked that while growing up, he would hear his father say to his mother, "Gladys, get in here! Your kids and my kids are beating up our kids." If you knew Phil, you were touched by his great sense of humor, kindness, generosity, intelligence, wisdom, and love of "a good game of golf." We have been blessed, and to know him was to love. He certainly will be missed.

Services were held Monday, January 5, 2026, at Gaydos Funeral Home, 159 Second Street in Vanceburg,

with Pastor Tom Cox and Bro. Danny Bentley officiating. Entombment will follow in Lewis County Memory Gardens at Black Oak.

Pallbearers were Mike Foreman, Tim Christian, Tom Christian, Drew Curtis, Maggie Curtis, Josh Cramer, and Lesley Cramer. Gunner Curtis will serve as an honorary pallbearer.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Vanceburg Christian Church, 38 Front Street, Vanceburg, KY 41179, and Hospice of Hope, 1435 Kenton Pointe Way, Maysville, KY 41056.

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Proposals received after the above noted date and time will not be accepted. A company will be selected to undertake the work at the discretion of the local board.

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An Encouraging Word

By Tom Cox



I Am Resolved

I am writing this on January 2, so I hope it's not too late to address the subject of New Year's resolutions. I also hope that if you made any, you have been able to keep them so far!

It's always a good idea to try to improve oneself, but it is easier said than done. I have a cousin who resolved to quit smoking last year. He got so much satisfaction from making that resolution that he has resolved to quit smoking again this year!

I have a friend who vowed to lose 10 pounds in 2025. He only fell short of his goal by 15 pounds!

It isn't easy to keep our resolutions. I heard about a husband and wife who were sitting together and writing down some goals for the coming year. The wife said, "I am resolving to be less controlling this year. Honey, you should write that one down too!"

Seriously, it is good for Christians to try to make self-improvements. The apostle Paul wrote to Timothy, "Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress." (1 Tim. 4:15).

Some people focus on resolutions to improve their health, such as losing weight, eating healthier foods and getting more exercise. Others give their at-

tention to matters that seem more spiritual (although it is certainly spiritual for a Christian to maintain their body, which is a temple of the Holy Spirit). They focus on spending more time praying, studying the Bible and obeying what the Bible says. All of this is good. 1 Tim. 4:8 says, "For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come."

You can't argue with that. Improving ourselves has benefits for this life. We feel better and we set a good example for others to follow. However, the benefits also extend into eternity in ways that we will not fully understand until later.

Let's remember that the ultimate goal of change is to become more like Jesus. 2 Cor. 3:18 says, "And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."

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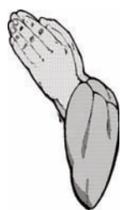


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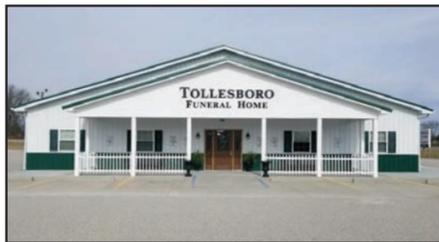
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