



## Larry Gene Burke

June 1, 1945 - April 15, 2026

Larry Gene Burke, 80, of Louisville, formerly of Mouthcard, passed away peacefully on April 15, 2026. Born on June 1, 1945, in Pike County, Larry was the beloved son of Frank and Kizzie Burke.

Larry dedicated more than 20 years of his life to education, serving as both a teacher and principal. He was deeply committed to shaping young lives, not only in the classroom but also on the court as a coach. He took great pride in mentoring students, encouraging them to succeed academically and athletically.

A devoted family man, Larry found his greatest joy in spending time with his loved ones. He cherished his role as a father, grandfather and great-grandfather, creating lasting memories on family camping trips to the lake—times filled with laughter, storytelling, and togetherness. His grandchildren held a special place in his heart, and he treasured every moment shared with them.

Larry had a deep love for the outdoors. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and even water skiing, embracing nature whenever he could. Whether casting a line or simply soaking in the peace of the water, he found comfort and happiness outside.

A passionate sports fan, Larry especially loved cheering on his University of Kentucky teams in any sport. He also enjoyed playing golf and looked forward each year to his trips to Daytona to attend NASCAR races—something he made a priority, often planning multiple trips a year to experience the

excitement of the track.

Larry will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his commitment to education, and his love of life's simple pleasures. His legacy lives on in the countless lives he touched, both in his career and within his family.

Larry is preceded in death by his parents, Frank Burke and Kizzie Belcher Burke; and three siblings, Arnold Burke, Barbara Todd, and Brenda Wade.

Left to cherish his memory, Larry is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Dot Mullins Burke; 4 sons, Derrick Burke, Shane Burke (Rachel), Cory Burke, and Shawn Burke; 7 grandchildren, Joseph, Jordan, Brianna, Savanna, Destiny, Jayden, and Emily; 2 great-grandchildren, Everest and Clarke; 3 siblings, Sharron Jones (Bob), Odetta Tucker (Walt), and Jerry Burke (Tamera); and a host of extended family and close friends. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

A funeral service for Mr. Larry Gene Burke will be held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at Louisville Memorial Gardens West, 4400 Dixie Highway, Louisville, Kentucky. Visitation will be held from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, and prior to the funeral service from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Obituary is courtesy of Hall & Jones Funeral Home of Virgie.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **21**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Louisville Memorial Gardens West  
4400 Dixie Hwy  
Louisville, KY 40216  
(502) 443-8169

## Visitation

APR **22**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Louisville Memorial Gardens West  
4400 Dixie Highway  
Louisville, KY

## Funeral Service

APR **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Louisville Memorial Gardens West  
4400 Dixie Highway  
Louisville, KY

# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Larry Gene Burke.

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April 20 at 02:44 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry Gene Burke.



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