



Dirk Mitchell

January 29, 1955 - June 17, 2026

Dirk Andrew Mitchell passed away on June 17, 2026 at his home. Dirk was born on January 29, 1955, one of four children of Elizabeth "Betty" Bland Mitchell and Orville "Juni" Mitchell Jr.

Dirk was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Clay, and his nephew Jeremy. He is survived by his sister Ceci and brother Neil, niece Krista and nephew Blake, as well as his brother-in-law Bryan and sister-in-law Tina. His grand-nieces Caz and Izzy will miss their special Uncle Dirkula.

Dirk was retired from the KY Transportation Cabinet materials lab. He was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army due to a medical condition. He lived in South Frankfort and was proud of keeping his historic home perfectly manicured. He fed all manner of neighborhood critters and took in needy stray cats. He always loved celebrating Halloween and would call his mother every day to check on her. Dirk accomplished owning his home outright - no small feat in today's economy.

Dirk struggled with a variety of serious health ailments, but his death was sudden and unexpected. He fiercely maintained his independence through the very end. Dirk appreciated hearing from friends who called and stopped by. He would have thanked his Baptist Health doctors and various specialists for their care, along with appreciation for daily visits from his family and carers

Madison and Ronnie.

There will be no funeral service. The family urges people to be kind to animals, especially stray cats, in Dirk's memory and to check in often on those who live alone.

Tribute Wall

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“ I worked at the Materials Lab when Dirk was hired. He worked on a drill crew with me for a while. His health would not let him continue that path. So he took a lighter job there and excelled at it. I certainly enjoyed working with Dirk. Then I lost touch with him and just caught up with him a year or so ago. It was wonderful to see him. We took right off like we'd only seen each other a day or so ago. I'll miss Dirk. I think of him a lot.
R. I. P. my friend!

Gordon Sanders - 1 hour ago

KJ

“ Uncle Dirk was a steady presence over the years and loved his family and his cats. We love and will miss you Uncle Dirkula!

Krista Jackson - 1 hour ago