



Jerry Robert Pettus

July 6, 1940 - June 8, 2025

Jerry Robert Pettus, 84, of Louisville, Kentucky passed away Sunday, June 8, 2025 at U of L Mary and Elizabeth Hospital. Jerry was born July 6, 1940 in Lewisburg TN to the late Minnie Alberta (Clark) and William Robert Pettus. He is also preceded in death by his sister, Donna Gries.

He retired as a commercial insurance underwriter and was a member of Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

His interests were wide and varied. He was a musician, playing Saxophone and Clarinet for the Don Krekel Orchestra starting at age 16 and continuing for over 63 years. He was a woodworker, building furniture, restoring antique family furniture, and creating artistic pieces. He further built his own garage and a sun room behind his house. He built and flew radio controlled model airplanes. As a DIYer, he did his own household repairs, car repairs and even restored an antique 1941 Studebaker for one of his neighbors.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Betty (Mulhall) Pettus, three children, Robert Allen Pettus (Xiaofang Guo), Melissa Renee French (Ben), and Christopher Edward Pettus (Amrita); five grandchildren, Song Pettus (Tara), Barbara deVerdier (Chaz), Bryce French, Carson French and Levine Pettus; four great grandchildren, Layla deVerdier, Celeste Pettus, Kent Pettus and Hudson Pettus.

Visitation will be Friday June 13, 2025 from 1pm to 8pm and a funeral service will be held Saturday June 14th 10:00 A.M. at the Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway, with burial to follow in Louisville Memorial Gardens West in Shively KY.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church music fund.

Cemetery Details

Louisville Memorial Gardens West

4400 Dixie Hwy
Louisville , KY 40216

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway
5317 Dixie Highway
Louisville, KY 40216
(502) 447-2600
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Service

JUN 14. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jerry Robert Pettus.

June 13, 2025 at 10:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jerry Robert Pettus.



June 13, 2025 at 10:40 AM



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Jerry Robert Pettus.



June 13, 2025 at 08:47 AM



“ *Mengmeng & Binyu Family purchased the Fairest of All* for the family of Jerry Robert Pettus.



Mengmeng & Binyu Family - June 12, 2025 at 09:11 AM

MF

“ Mengmeng & Binyu Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Robert Pettus.

Mengmeng & Binyu Family - June 12, 2025 at 09:11 AM

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“ Susie, Mike, Barbara & Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Robert Pettus.

Susie, Mike, Barbara & Families - June 12, 2025 at 07:52 AM

SF

“ Susie, Mike, Barbara & Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jerry Robert Pettus.



Susie, Mike, Barbara & Families - June 12, 2025 at 07:52 AM

BM

“ Bagga family (Bloomington and Muncie) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Robert Pettus.

Bagga family (Bloomington and Muncie) - June 11, 2025 at 10:07 PM

BM

“ *Bagga family (Bloomington and Muncie) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jerry Robert Pettus.*



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