



John Leftwich, Sr.

June 22, 1944 - January 11, 2018

Mr. John Leftwich, Sr, age 73, of Carthage, TN, longtime President of Moss Service Supply in Carthage, TN, passed away Thursday, January 11, 2018.

Mr. Leftwich was born June 22, 1944 in Carthage, TN, son of the late Ray Leftwich and Mary Lancaster Leftwich. He was a 1962 graduate of Donelson High School where he played football and was president of his senior class. He attended Vanderbilt University on a full scholarship where he earned his mechanical engineering degree, graduating in 1966. After graduation he entered the Air National Guard where he served as a Medic during the Vietnam Conflict. After returning to Carthage, John became a member of the Carthage Rotary Club. Being civically minded, John served as county commissioner and on the Carthage City Council for several years. He was longtime President of Moss Service Supply in Carthage, TN, and also a member of the Mensa Society the Carthage United Methodist Church.

Mr. Leftwich is survived by Son; John Leftwich, Jr. of Smithville, TN, and Sister; Mary Ruth Leftwich of Carthage, TN.

Funeral Services for Mr. Leftwich are scheduled to be conducted from the Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Monday, January 15, 2018 at 1PM with Walter Glenn Birdwell providing the Eulogy. Interment will follow in the Gordonsville Cemetery.

Visitation with the Leftwich family will be held at the Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Sunday from 2PM until 7PM and again on Monday from 11AM until the time of the service at 1PM.

In lieu of flowers, the Leftwich family requests memorials in Mr. John's memory be made to the Vanderbilt University Engineering Endowment Fund.

BASS FUNERAL HOME, CARTHAGE CHAPEL, DIRECTORS.

Cemetery Details

Gordonsville Cemetery

34 Hickman Hwy
Gordonsville, TN 38563

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **14**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Home
807 N Main Street
Carthage, TN 37030
(615) 735-1212
kurtbass@bassfh.com
<https://www.bassfh.com/>

Visitation

JAN **15**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

BP

“ I was in the Tn Air National Guard and in the same unit John was in. I enjoyed his wit and friendship. I have not seen or heard anything about him until now. So sorry for your loss.
Barbara Pardue, retired RN, former flight nurse, TNANG/USAF.
...just a plain 'ol retired person....

Barbara Pardue - January 29, 2018 at 12:01 PM

TB

“ I was very sorry to read that John had passed away. In the summer of 1961, John, Tom Amonett, George Oldham and I had summer jobs working for Moss Service and Supply Company. John's uncle, Walter Moss, tolerated us well and paid us fairly, particularly considering that our collective skill sets always involved a shovel. We usually spent our lunch hours wrestling with the older guys, Bobby Dawson and Junior Hunt (we never won). I lost touch with John after that summer, but, I remember him favorably as a good and decent human being. I offer my condolences to the family.
Tom (Wish) Beasley

Tom Beasley - January 16, 2018 at 02:08 PM

SS

“ So sad to hear of John's passing. My condolences to all the family.
~ Sarah Marie Smith

Sarah Smith - January 15, 2018 at 01:26 PM

RD

“ Leftwich family So sorry for your loss of Father and brother. Prayers to all

Rosalynn Clift Donoho - January 15, 2018 at 09:15 AM

SP

“ John and I were best friends in high school and college. We lost touch for almost forty years but were reunited five or six years ago by Mary Ruth, and we were suddenly best friends again. Thank you Mary Ruth for saving us and please, everyone who reads this, stay close to the people that mean something to you. Forty years is a long time to waste.

Steve Prater - January 14, 2018 at 09:21 PM

JR

“ I am so sorry for your loss, John was a friend to both Mike and myself, always telling a joke or story to make a person smile.

Janet Rose-Young - January 14, 2018 at 04:04 PM



“ Full Heart was purchased for the family of John Leftwich, Sr..



January 13, 2018 at 08:28 PM

AJ

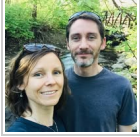
“ Ruthie, hate that you have lost your brother. Thinkng of you. Love you, Aneda

Aneda Johnson - January 12, 2018 at 10:46 PM

ML

Love you Aneda, thanks.

MaryRuth Leftwich - January 13, 2018 at 09:27 PM



“ Without John my life would have been completely different. I first met him when I was 16 years old and since then he has been like a Grandfather to me. He gave me hope and an opportunity to start a new life. He guided me through my college years and showed, by his own example, that hard work pays off. I admired his curiosity, exquisite taste for music, everlasting desire to learn, and his optimism. I was awed by his generosity. And if I learned anything from John it would be to remember to make a positive impact on someone else's life.

We will miss you so, John.

Anastasiya Christiansen

Anastasiya Christiansen - January 12, 2018 at 08:26 PM

MW

“ My dear friend John Leftwich was and ever shall be a wonderful, special man. John was incredibly smart but never condescending in his wit and wisdom. A true student of the world with an inquisitive nature and interested in all things! I served in the Tn Air National guard with John and will forever remember our weekend flight "missions". He was my dear friend. Mike Woody, Destin, Florida

Mike Woody - January 12, 2018 at 11:52 AM

JD

I will miss "Big John". He was always real. Loved listening to his SST flight from Europe back to US.

jim Duerr - January 12, 2018 at 05:32 PM

LW

John was one of my two best friends from Cub Scouts in 4th grade through high school graduation. I cannot tell our secrets but we solved the problems of the universe together on a weekly basis.

Larry Woods January 25, 2025

larry woods - January 25, 2025 at 03:13 PM