



Jerry Leon Doughty

August 12, 1942 - February 4, 2026

On February 4, 2026, Jerry Leon Doughty, a devoted dad, patient papa, protective big brother, and dedicated husband to the love of his life, passed away at age 83, surrounded by his beloved family.

Jerry, the firstborn son of Leo and Opal Doughty, was raised in Blue Jay, where he learned the value of a strong work ethic. His mother taught him to love family and a good story, and his father taught him practical skills like how to navigate the deep woods at night with only the stars to guide him. He could predict rain based on the tilt of the moon.

Jerry leaves behind his wife of 56 years, Eyvon Doughty; five children: Randy Doughty and daughter-in-law Lynda, Jeff Doughty and daughter-in-law Leslie, Shannon Magsam and son-in-law John, Gena Turner, and Chad Doughty and daughter-in-law Jen; sisters Phara Lee Bailey and Sandra Sexton; brother Dennis Doughty and sister-in-law, Louise; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Jareta Barton.

Jerry was one of a kind. He wasn't a tall man, but he was a giant in the eyes of his friends and family. Jerry was a peacemaker and a protector — outdoorsy and tough, yet gentle in spirit. Remarkably patient, he never spoke ill of anyone and was always ready to help a neighbor. He had the rare gift of making people feel welcome and appreciated. He listened more than he spoke, and his family and friends highly valued his thoughtful wisdom. His son-in-law called him a real-life cowboy out of time.

Even though he was quiet, Jerry often made the whole family laugh with a well-timed joke. He loved music, honey buns, his wife's cooking, and sharing stories from his adventures as a longtime truck driver and heavy equipment operator. If his family wanted to see him light up, they could ask him about driving trucks, hauling dirt, or the best way to fix their car.

Jerry was an artist with a backhoe or a bulldozer, whether he was clearing a home place or building a pond with precision.

Jerry and Eyvon built their homes with their own two hands, filling them with laughter and love. They taught their kids and grandkids what true devotion looked like. They would often stop for a slow dance when one of their favorite songs played on the radio, and they had a deep respect for one another that was evident to anyone lucky enough to be in their orbit. They were truly a team.

Jerry was a thinker and a dreamer. Even at 83, he had big plans for the future. In the most important ways, he fulfilled them all.

Jerry's legacy will live on through his family and friends each time they offer a kind word, treat someone with patience, or share the quiet strength that comes from a life spent learning from their hero.

A visitation will be held at Harmony Baptist Church at 1 p.m. on Monday, February 9, followed by a funeral service at 2 p.m. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

Cemetery Details

Harmony Cemetery

3195 Highway 10 E.
Perryville, AR 72126

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Harmony Baptist Church
3195 Highway 10 E.
Perryville, AR 72126

Funeral Service

FEB 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LM

“ We will miss Jerry so much,he was a great friend and I'm so blessed to have known him and lived near him my entire life,I always looked forward to him stopping by just to visit or if he needed my help with paperwork or anything else,it was a great honor that he trusted me to help him.Jerry you was the best and I will always remember our visits and all the laughs we had together.Love you always ❤️Praying for all the family 🙏❤️

Lisa Mumford - February 09 at 11:55 PM

FF

“ From Tina and Wade and family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



From Tina and Wade and family - February 09 at 08:55 AM

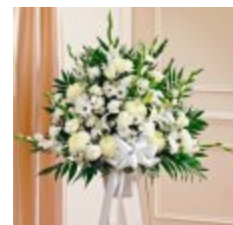
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“ From Tina and Wade and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Leon Doughty.

From Tina and Wade and family - February 09 at 08:55 AM

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“ The Scaife Family purchased the White Sympathy Baskets for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



The Scaife Family - February 08 at 02:10 PM

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The Scaife Family - February 08 at 02:10 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



February 08 at 12:28 PM

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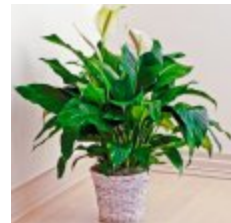
“ Jane, Ed and Sarah Winski purchased the White Sympathy Baskets for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



Jane, Ed and Sarah Winski - February 07 at 02:39 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



February 07 at 11:15 AM

TS

“ *The Lidzy’s(Kelly,Charly,and Shelby) purchased the Calm & Comfort Bouquet for Sympathy - Florist Choice for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.*



The Lidzy’s(Kelly,Charly,and Shelby) - February 07 at 09:43 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.*



February 06 at 07:14 PM

SG

“ *To all the family, I am so sorry for your earthly loss. I am so glad to know we'll see him on the other side. Prayers for comfort in the days ahead.*

Serena Garner - February 06 at 04:10 PM

SF

“ *Summer Ameen Kelly and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Leon Doughty.*

Summer Ameen Kelly and Family - February 06 at 03:50 PM

SF

“ Summer Ameen Kelly and Family purchased the Bountiful European Dish Garden for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



Summer Ameen Kelly and Family - February 06 at 03:50 PM

AW

“ Auto Pros of Cabot Randy, Drake & Will purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Jerry Leon Doughty.



Auto Pros of Cabot Randy, Drake & Will - February 06 at 01:26 PM

KR

“ I am sure Jerry is sizing up the roads in heaven to see what needed done. He was always so kind, a good man and I know he will be missed. Prayers for his family, asking God for strength, comfort and peace for each one. Precious memories are now the greatest treasures.



kathy rankin - February 06 at 01:18 PM

BE

“ Eyvon, as you know , my family has always thought the world of Jerry . He was truly one of a kind . We are so sorry for all of the family to hear of his passing. May you find comfort in all the wonderful memories of Jerry . Sending our love, and condolences, the Reaves family

Billie Eddy - February 06 at 12:58 PM