



## John Tellis Davis Jr.

February 23, 1938 - May 17, 2026

Johnnie (John) Tellis Davis Jr. age 88, of Sweetwater, TN passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on May 17, 2026 at the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville, Tennessee. John was born February 23, 1938 in Meigs Co. Tennessee. John had a love for horses. He trained them and got them ready to go to horse shows where he would enter them in all the walking and racking competitions. John worked at Richesin's Farm and Home Center in Sweetwater for many years then later went to work in Oak Ridge for the Department of Energy where he worked there for 32 plus years. He is preceded in death by parents, John Tellis Davis Sr. and Ollie King Davis. Brothers: Clifford King, Cleo Davis and Joe L Davis. Sisters Ollie Mae King, Mary Katherine Thompson and Sara Joyce Mack.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his devoted wife of 60 years, Cleopatra Davis children Keith Davis, Audrea (Jan) Armstrong and Norman Macon. Grandchildren Yamika and Cedric Arnwine Dominique (Jessica) Macon Damaris and Alaysia Macon. Great grandchildren Sonte' Pilkey, Trinity and Jaren Riedel. Shia, Sage, Sophia and Jekhai Macon. Special caregiver and sister-in-law Shirley Blair. A host of nieces, nephews and friends.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, May 23, 2026 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 1:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. with the funeral services to follow at 2:00 P.M. in Kyker's Chapel with Rev. Vant Hardaway officiating. Interment to follow in the Sweetwater Memorial Park. Kyker Funeral Home,

Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Sweetwater Memorial Park

1838 Hwy 11 N  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 23.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Tellis Davis Jr.*



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**Kyker Funeral Home** - May 22 at 12:00 PM

DB

*Beautiful.... I'll miss you Uncle John. Love, Daphne*

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**Daphne Billingsley** - May 22 at 02:21 PM

DM

*May you rest in the arms of our savior JESUS. Thank you for always being so sweet to me and your Grandsons, Dominique and Damaris.*

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**Debra Macon-Robinson** - May 23 at 03:34 PM

TP

“ *Loved JT. He introduced me and Rick 30 plus years ago. We got married a year later. He was a good friend and coworker to Rick. We are so sorry for your loss.*  
*Rick and Teresa Powers*

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**Teresa Powers** - May 27 at 05:22 PM

DM

“ Debra Macon-Robinson lit a candle in memory of John Tellis Davis Jr.



Debra Macon-Robinson - May 23 at 03:53 PM

CR

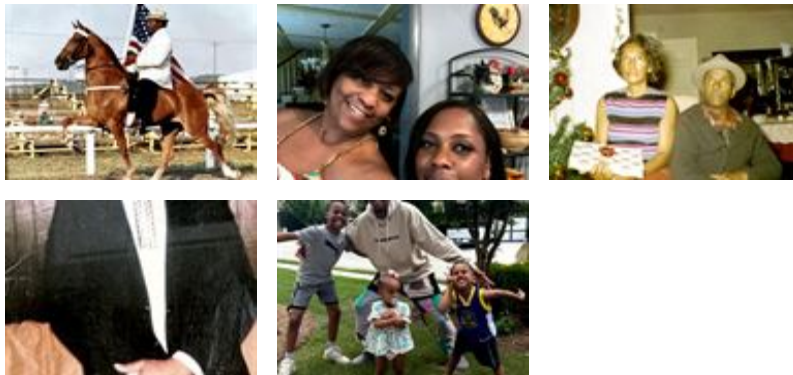
“ Catherine Robinson lit a candle in memory of John Tellis Davis Jr.



Catherine Robinson - May 22 at 03:07 PM



“ 90 files added to the album Life Tributes



Kyker Funeral Home - May 22 at 11:45 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Tellis Davis Jr..*



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May 22 at 08:29 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Tellis Davis Jr..

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May 22 at 08:29 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. John was a very sweet man and I will truly miss him and the family. You and family are in my prayers.*

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**Ally Kryter** - May 21 at 09:41 PM



“ *I hadn't seen you in a long time uncle John but I still remember you and will always love you may you rest in paradise*



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**Deborah A Hurst Morrow** - May 21 at 09:20 PM

TE

“ I remember John from the seventies. I remember that my Late father Fred Edgemon spoke very highly of John. He was the best roping cowboy we had even seen. He caught wild cows that would break through the fences. He was a determined guy and never gave up. As a youngster I always admired John. I would like to offer my sincere condolences to the family of this wonderful man.

Tommy Edgemon - May 20 at 09:27 PM

JL

“ Sorry to hear this keith my heart and prayers is with u and your family..much love Brother...

James & Lisa Latham - May 20 at 06:03 PM

NB

“ Prayers for comfort and peace

Nancy Bradley - May 20 at 02:48 PM

TF

“ The Gibson family. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Tellis Davis Jr..



The Gibson family. - May 20 at 01:27 PM

TF

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“ *Keep family in prayer*

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**Alan Sanders martha** - May 20 at 10:56 AM