



Pascal Ray Benson

May 8, 1938 - April 6, 2025

Pascal Ray Benson, age 86, of Henderson, KY, passed away on Sunday, April 6, 2025, at his home under the care of St. Anthony's Hospice.

Pascal was a longtime member of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church. He was a graduate of Henderson City High School and graduated from the University of Kentucky. He held a Masters Rank I and II from Murray State University and was one of the original inductees of the Henderson County Hall of Fame. He owned Pascal Benson Driving School and taught several students how to drive. He loved dancing with his wife Elaine, especially group and ballroom dancing. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Pascal was an all-around athlete and held several titles.

Pascal was preceded in death by his father Pascal Benson, mother Rosie Parks, stepfather Thomas Parks, 4 sisters and 1 brother.

Pascal is survived by his wife of 62 years Elaine Benson of Henderson, KY; daughter Jodie Donahue (Eddie) of Harrodsburg, KY; sons Tracy Benson (Dusti) of Robards, KY and Edward Benson (Jennifer) of Henderson, KY; 10 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited to Pascal's Life Celebration from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. Thursday, April 10, 2025, at Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home. A

prayer service will be held at 7:00 p.m. that evening. Visitation will be held from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home on Friday. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, April 11, 2025, at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church in Henderson, KY with Father Richard Meredith officiating. Burial will follow at St. Louis Cemetery in Henderson, KY.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 511 Second St., Henderson, KY, 42420, Henderson County Sports Hall of Fame Treasurer, PO Box 242, Henderson, KY, 42419, Pascal Benson Athletic Scholarship Fund at Field and Main Bank, 1720 Second St., Henderson, KY, 42420, and St. Anthony's Hospice, 2410 S. Green St., Henderson, KY, 42420.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home, A Life Celebration® Home. Please visit www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com to share memories and words of comfort with Pascal's family.

Cemetery Details

St. Louis Cemetery

Henderson, KY 42420

Previous Events

Life Celebration

APR 10. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home
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Prayer Service

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Tribute Wall

L&

“ Landon &. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pascal Ray Benson.

Landon &. - April 11, 2025 at 08:52 PM

LO

“ Mr. B we loved living across from you on Donna Dr for many years. You were a joy as my drivers Ed teacher (though you picked on me) & then again taught my daughter 25 yrs later. I'm glad I got to know you. You were a special person.
Lorna

Lorna - April 11, 2025 at 08:22 PM

RP

“ Cindy and I were saddened to hear of Pascal's passing. Pascal and Elaine were among my late father, Coach T. L. Plain's, dearest friends. Dad told me how much he enjoyed the gracious invites to watch ball games and special occasions at their home. I was honored to attend Pascal's 2013 induction into the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame--Dad presented the award to Pascal. Pascal held a special place throughout my father's life, and he told great stories of Pascal's contribution to the Henderson "Wrecking Crew" champion basketball team. Pascal and Elaine were lifelong friends of my father and called on him at the end, when he was in hospice care. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Elaine and the Benson family at this time. We are deeply grateful for Pascal's inspiring life. Bob & Cindy Plain, Roanoke, VA

Robert Plain - April 10, 2025 at 05:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pascal Ray Benson.*



April 10, 2025 at 08:42 AM



“ *Elaine, John and I send our deepest sympathy to you and your family at the passing of Pascal. John and Pascal had a special friendship, and it was our pleasure to know both of you. You will be in our thoughts and prayers in the coming days. John and Gabrielle Stephan*

John and Gabrielle Stephan - April 10, 2025 at 08:30 AM



Coach Benson is one of the best athletes to come out of this area, if not the best. He was my baseball coach for 4 years and he always treated me well even when I didn't deserve it. I have always admired and respected him. My prayers are with his family for such a huge loss.

Kenny Brown - April 11, 2025 at 03:59 PM



“ *The Sloan family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pascal Ray Benson.*

The Sloan family - April 09, 2025 at 05:54 PM

TF

“ *The Sloan family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pascal Ray Benson.*



The Sloan family - April 09, 2025 at 05:54 PM

GB

“ *Pascal taught me to drive just as he did many people who had the privilege of growing up in Henderson County, Kentucky. He was a truly nice person and will always be fondly remembered by the students he taught to drive. My deepest sympathy to his friends and family.*

Georgia Beasley - April 09, 2025 at 03:40 PM



“ *49 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Benton-Glunt Funeral Home - April 09, 2025 at 12:44 PM

JS

Sending prayers for peace and comfort. 🙏❤️

Jenny Boone Smith - April 09, 2025 at 05:51 PM

CG

“ I only got to know him as a driving instructor at Henderson County High. Taking driver's Ed. got me out of study hall with Mojo. Mr. Benson (as we called him) was a nice polite person and had the patience of Job teaching us "know it all Teenagers" how to drive correctly. He also let us stop at the Quik Pik and get chips and cokes. When we weren't driving, we were snacking. I still to this day "cover my brake" driving thru residential neighborhoods. Much respect and may God be with the family at this time.

chuck gee - April 09, 2025 at 11:20 AM

LS

“ Truly a wonderful man.....
My deepest sympathy for my classmates and friends, Tracey and Jodie. I have such fond memories at the Benson's house. I remember one summer around lunch time at the Bensons house, Jodie and I talked Pascal into driving us to Florida to see Tracy and Dusti. We told him we would help with the driving which he kindly declined our offer. Lol. At 3 o'clock we were in the car headed to Florida. It was a great trip. He was a great sport to take us. Thanks for taking us.
May God Bless you and your family....
Love and prayers....
Lynn Renee Steinwachs

LYNN RENEE STEINWACHS - April 08, 2025 at 09:57 PM

LF

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Love your JE family - April 08, 2025 at 02:16 PM

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