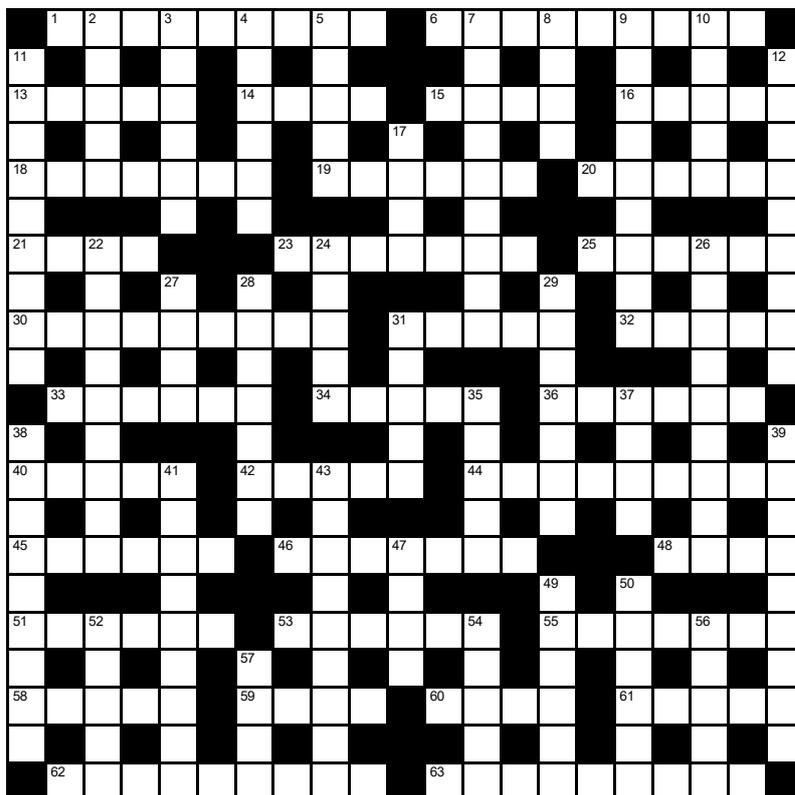


2019

A number of celebrities who have died this year feature as solutions. They are defined by their profession.

Across

- 1 Rising expert cracks a series of clues (9)
- 6 Drunkard with short trousers in a carrier (6,3)
- 13 Pop singer from Welsh town (5)
- 14 Pair heading off for competition (4)
- 15 Attend very tired... (4)
- 16 ...comedian following difficult year (5)
- 18 Etch each colour with love (3,4)
- 19 Incorporate space organisation (6)
- 20 Express disapproval about sailors having base in Asian island (6)
- 21 Run over reason for court action (4)
- 23 Sister's children meeting newsreader (7)
- 25 Actor's whimsical describing pub (6)
- 30 Gala producer (5,4)
- 31 Book chauffeur for critic (5)



- 32 China ominously imprisons Ruth's daughter-in-law (5)
- 33 Male members leave out English cricketer (6)
- 34 Regulated participants in multi-media (5)
- 36 Small French town has races for second league (6)
- 40 Way a bishop becomes a funny man (5)
- 42 "In the past", describing King George's troubles (5)
- 44 Fond remembrance of stewed goat and snail (9)
- 45 One finished ruined (6)
- 46 Botanist telephoned beautiful French friend (7)
- 48 Boss of film company cancelling "Ten" (4)
- 51 Horsed around with chef (6)
- 53 Drumming in sleeveless dressing gown (6)
- 55 Where a postulant hopes to be working (2,5)
- 58 In Paris she and I regularly obtained fragrant resin (5)

- 59 Husband drops off 47 in Arab country (4)
- 60 Dye extracted from kernels of Sand Lily (4)
- 61 French president spills a bit of red wine (5)
- 62 Part of Hull has garbage by unnamed dog's home (5,4)
- 63 Socrates in revolt over international exile (9)

Down

- 2 Actor's wife involved in search (5)
- 3 Straighten out former nurse (6)
- 4 Artist in promise to return with actor (6)
- 5 Opening of hotel in French resort (5)
- 7 Puny models left out posing with Prolixic? (9)
- 8 Out to lunch with a pair of swingers! (4)
- 9 African's playing the piano around India (9)
- 10 At first aircraft's pilot

- recklessly overshoots nearing his parking area? (5)
- 11 In honour of former prime-minister, singer departs later (5,4)
- 12 Oily cysts ruptured leading to cell break down (9)
- 17 Iraqi bishop embraces bird (4)
- 22 Carpet salesman is on edge with joiner (9)
- 24 Sluggish and stupid priest replaced by rector (5)
- 26 It's illuminating having time with labour leader during period of obscurity (4,5)
- 27 Duck out of meal with Mike's predecessor (4)
- 28 This healing leads to really scathing exchange (7)
- 29 Futile statement from the Green Party? (7)
- 31 Boss follows Jack into Titanic (5)
- 35 Material in minutes editor reviewed (5)

- 37 Troop leader on pack transporter (4)
- 38 With big mouths bores may travel here (9)
- 39 Rod's on-line call is rambling (9)
- 41 Giving up plastering (9)
- 43 Enraged at breeding animal (5,4)
- 47 Fat alto falling for Ohio's leader (4)
- 49 Director's works supported by leading lady (6)
- 50 Big entertainer pinches last of jokes (6)
- 52 Daggers pulled up from vile bodies (5)
- 54 Relies on goalkeeper (5)
- 56 Scriptwriter avoids writing in paper for unionist (5)
- 57 Chat on the radio with singer (4)