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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: July 7, 2025

(Date of earliest event reported)

**DEERE & COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-4121  
(Commission File Number)

36-2382580  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One John Deere Place  
Moline, Illinois 61265  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(309) 765-8000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:**

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock, \$1 par value	DE	New York Stock Exchange
6.55% Debentures Due 2028	DE28	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On July 7, 2025, Deere & Company (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the death of Sherry M. Smith. Ms. Smith had served as a director of the Company since 2011. In light of her passing, on July 7, 2025, the Board reduced its size to ten members and appointed R. Preston Feight as Lead Director.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
99.1	<a href="#">Press Release, dated July 7, 2025</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are imbedded in the Inline XBRL document)

### Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DEERE & COMPANY

By: /s/ Edward R. Berk

Edward R. Berk  
Corporate Secretary

Dated: July 7, 2025

## News Release

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### **Deere & Company Mourns Passing of Board Member Sherry M. Smith**

MOLINE, Illinois (July 7, 2025) — Deere & Company sadly announces the recent death of Sherry M. Smith, a distinguished member of its board of directors.

Smith joined the Deere board in 2011, bringing with her a wealth of experience, insight, and dedication. She was the board's lead director and also served on the Corporate Governance and Compensation committees. She was formerly executive vice president and chief financial officer at Supervalu Inc.

"Sherry's leadership, wisdom, and kindness have significantly impacted our organization. Her strategic vision and unwavering commitment to our company and stakeholders have helped steer Deere through numerous milestones and achievements," stated John C. May, Chairman and CEO of Deere & Company. "Sherry's absence will be profoundly felt, and we extend our sincere condolences to her family."

### **About John Deere:**

Deere & Company ([www.JohnDeere.com](http://www.JohnDeere.com)) is a global leader in the delivery of agricultural, construction, and forestry equipment. We help our customers push the boundaries of what's possible in ways that are more productive and sustainable to help life leap forward. Our technology-enabled products including John Deere Autonomous 8R Tractor, See & Spray™, and E-Power Backhoe are just some of the ways we help meet the world's increasing need for food, shelter, and infrastructure. Deere & Company also provides financial services through John Deere Financial. For more information on Deere & Company, visit us at [www.deere.com/en/news/](http://www.deere.com/en/news/).

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