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Mr. Kenith Lee Harris, 61, of Springdale, AR, went to be with the Lord, Sunday, December 12, 2004, at his home after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was born February 6, 1943, in Santa Monica, California, to Wesley Hendrix and Effie Lee (Bowen) Harris. He was retired after 31 years as resident engineer for the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department and along with his wife owned Mine Creek Jewelry for thirty years.

He graduated from Prescott High School in 1961 and was a 1965 civil engineering graduate of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. After graduation he married Patsy McGlone, March 3, 1966. After serving his country in the U.S. Navy for two years he took a field engineer job with the AHTD in Hope, Arkansas. He then became Resident Engineer in Nashville, Arkansas, where he and Patsy raised their children. He was a Sunday school teacher and deacon at the First Baptist Church and sang in the choir. He retired from the Highway Department in March of 2000 and relocated to Springdale in April 2003 to be with his family. Kenith enjoyed traveling, gardening, and sports but most of all he enjoyed being with his family.

He is survived by his loving wife of thirty nine years, Patsy Ruth McGlone Harris, son, David Harris and wife Shelly and their three girls Rachael, Callie, and Olivia of Springdale, Arkansas; daughter, DeAnna Hodges and husband Tron and their three children Jacob, Hannah, and Matthew of Springdale, Arkansas; son, Daniel Harris and wife Christy and their three children, Sarah, Caleb, and Rebecca of Monticello, Arkansas. He is also survived by a brother, Donald Dee Harris of Prescott, Arkansas; a sister Mary Ann Matherly of Bodcaw, Arkansas, two nephews, Jonathan and Sammy and a niece, Holly Harris.

Local visitation will be held at the family home at 114 Woodcliff Road in Springdale from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Tuesday, December 14, 2004 with a memorial service beginning at 4:00 PM.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2004 at 2:00 PM in the First Baptist Church in Nashville, Arkansas, with a visitation being held from Noon until service time.



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Committal services will be held 2:00 PM Thursday, December 16, 2004 at Bluff Cemetery in Springdale, AR. Pallbearers will be Charles Henley, Monroe Cloud, Edwin Tollett, Ed McCrary, Jerry Jacobs, and Randy White.

Memorials may be made to Washington Regional Hospice 34 Colt Square Fayetteville, Arkansas 72703.

Visitation Date Time Tuesday, December 14, 2004 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the family home 114 Woodcliff Road in Springdale Visitation Location A visitation will be held at the First Baptist Church in Nashville, Arkansas on Wednesday, December 15, 2004 from noon until service time. Service Date Time Wednesday, December 15, 2004 2:00 PM Service Location Nashville, Arkansas First Baptist Church



PW

Pat Harris (Wife) posted:

My Love, I watched you as cancer slowly took your life. Every day was grief hidden under a smile and cheer that was there just to crowd out tears. Every day I tried to hide a few more memories away for a future without you. I spent so many hours trying to find a way out of the dire predictions of doctors, ways to keep hope and you alive. Our miracle was denied. Now you are gone and a solitary bleakness follows me every hour. Today I mulched the roses and thought of all the happy hours we spent in our garden and yard. I tried to sense your presence but you were not there. You are in a place of no sorrow and pain, with perfect peace. I do not wish you back, but, oh, how I hurt. Nothing seems to be important now that you are gone. My solace is that you promised to be waiting for me on the other side. Till then, my sweet love, I will miss you every minute and dream of that day. I will love you eternally. Forever yours, Patsy

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BF

Bill & Martha Loomis (Friend) posted:

PATSY, YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. GOD BLESS. MARTHA & BILL LOOMIS

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FP

Ferrell & M.J. Beard (Erin's Parents) posted:

THINKING OF YOU ALL. JUST FOUND OUT. OUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU. FERRELL & M.J.

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EC

Elizabeth K. Harris Bogard (First Cousin) posted:

To Kenith: In death, you look like an angel and your sweet face reminds me of when we were children, playing together during family visits. I remember your soft voice and easy manner. I cherished the times we sat together on Grandma Harris's back porch steps. Sometimes we just sat without talking much, because, with you, talking was not required or needed. Even as a youth, you possessed a maturity beyond your years. You radiated a gentle spirit, and you cared about others. You were very intelligent but never boastful, nor judgmental. You never "showed off" like the rest of us. Kenith, thank you for your life. Thank you for being good and gentle and for leaving legacies of love, honesty, high standards, and humility. Thank you for investing yourself in your family and for making life better for others. Thank you for influencing friends and family with your steady, true character. I hope you felt the love that was demonstrated for you today by your family and friends. When the grandchildren gathered around Pat to comfort her and share her grief, it was a masterpiece of love. And I love you, too, sweet cousin, and I will miss your presence on this earth. Rest, now, with God and the spirits of those who have gone before you. Your First Cousin, Kay

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EF

Edward & Shirley Cooper (Friend Of The Family) posted:

David and Shelly, We would like to express our sympathy to you during the loss of your loved one. May God comfort and bless you is our prayer. Edward attends church now at Prescott where Donald attends. We didn't realize that he was your uncle until we saw it in the paper. Please express our sympathy to him and the rest of your family as well.

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PC

Pamela Johnson Turner (Classmate) posted:

Hey Danny and Deanna, I was sorry to hear about your Dad. I just wanted to offer my sympathy, and I will keep you guys in my prayers.

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PS

Paula Wood (Friend Of Sisters) posted:

I never met Kenith but Maryann talked about him and the children a lot, I know he was loved very much by his family and will be dearly missed.

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DB

Dwight, Julie And Hannah Burke posted:

David, So sorry to hear about your Dad. I know it must be hard to lose one so early in life. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Please keep my information if you get this and bring the family down for a visit. We would love to spend some time with you guys. Dwight, Julie and Hannah Burke

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LA

Lisa Morris Anderson posted:

De-I'm very sorry to hear about your dad. Lisa

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BF

Bob And Naomi Vining (Friend) posted:

In time of sorrow.....May you be comforted by friends who comfort you By memories dear to you By the loving presence of our Lord' With deepest sympathy, Bob and Naomi Vining

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DE

Donna Potter (Ex-Employee) posted:

Ken hired me in 1988 and was a patient, humorous and intellegent boss. His hiring me changed my life and for that, I should have thanked him... Ken, thanks... you won't be forgotten in this household.

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DF

Donna Vinson (Friend) posted:

I did not know Ken well in our college years, but we had many mutual friends! It was a real pleasure to renew our friendship in recent years after he and Patsy moved to Springdale. He was such a gentle spirit and my late husband would have enjoyed knowing him. Perhaps they are now getting acquainted! I have also enjoyed his wife, getting to know his children, and teaching his grandchildren! I appreciate the great example he has set for all of us by facing this adversity with such faith. Thanks, Ken- I will miss you!

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DS

Danny And Christy Harris (Son) posted:

Popo, we miss you so much. We know you are in a better place with Jesus and Momo and Popo. Thanks for always being there and we will see you again in heaven someday. We love you!!! Danny, Christy, Sarah, Caleb, and Becca

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DS

David And Shelly Harris (Son) posted:

Popo, We will love you and miss you always. Thanks for loving us! David, Shelly, Rachel, Callie and Olivia

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kenith by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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