



Marvin L. "Tom" Harris

March 17, 1935 - November 21, 2014

Marvin L. "Tom" Harris, 79, a resident of rural Vienna, passed away Friday evening, November 21, 2014, at 9:20 PM at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, Kentucky.

Tom was born March 17, 1935 in Golconda, Illinois. He was the son of Oren & Tressie (Buchanan) Harris.

On May 8, 1978, Tom was united in marriage to Juanita Eveland at Kankakee, Illinois. She survives.

In addition to his wife, Tom is survived by: his children – Lula (James) Bessette, Marvin (Carolyn) Harris, Dennis (Kaye) Harris, Gerald Alan Raburn all of Vienna, George Aaron (Daniella) Harris of Kankakee, Scott Harris of Anna, and Teresa (Raymond) Pearl of Vienna. Tom was blessed with numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. Additionally, he is survived by a sister – Wilma Belford of Metropolis; a brother – Clyde Harris of Bourbonnais; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents, Tom was preceded in death by: 2 grandsons – Devon and Nicholas; a great granddaughter – Ella Mae; a brother – Alvin Harris, a sister – Iona Strater, and a cousin, who Tom loved like a brother –

Wendall Smith.

Tom was employed as a security officer at the Clyde Choate Mental Health Center in Anna. He retired with 20 years service. Tom also enjoyed farming.

Tom was a member of the Bethany Baptist Church near Cypress. He had a deep love for his family and was never happier than when sitting on his porch spending time with his grandchildren. Tom was richly blessed with musical talent. He was a gifted guitarist and enjoyed singing. Tom was also a songwriter and had written the former Top 10 hit "Holding Her and Loving You" made famous by Earl Thomas Conley.

Funeral services were conducted Monday evening, November 24, 2014, at 7 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Jay Franklin officiated. Musical selections included, "Beyond the Sunset", "I Believe", "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)", and "Daddy's Hands".

Visitation was held from 4 PM – 7 PM Monday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Illinois Baptist Children's Home and Family Services, 949 County Road 1300 North, Carmi, Illinois 62821.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marvin L. "Tom" Harris*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *I met Tom when I was a teenager, I was dating his son whom I'm now married to. Tom said to Aaron then, someday you'll married this girl who knew he was right.....Tom always welcome us with open arms , hugs and kisses too.He was a very loving and caring person .I was a honor knowing Tom.*

daniella mazzuchi-harris - November 27, 2014 at 11:03 AM



“ *Steve And Jeannie Housewright lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris*



Steve and Jeannie Housewright - November 25, 2014 at 09:48 AM



“ *Dorothy Bacon lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris*



Dorothy Bacon - November 24, 2014 at 07:52 PM

SG

“ I learned of Tom's death this afternoon and am deeply saddened. I worked with tom for many years in security. He was a great sergeant and the best buddy anyone could ever ask for. He always had time to help others and talked about his love for his wife and family. My prayers and thoughts are with the family. I know Tom is with the lord and probably singing with the angels. Will always remember you my friend.

Sonja Gambill - November 24, 2014 at 05:49 PM

CC

“ our thoughts and prayers are with you. we would like to send our deepest heartfelt condolences to the Harris family. This good man is in God`s hands now.God bless you Uncle Tom.....Chester, Yvonne and the Clevelands

chester cleveland - November 24, 2014 at 01:52 PM

AF

“ May God hold you all close during this very jatd timelive Angie and Hank



angela fry - November 24, 2014 at 08:25 AM

EK

“ Elizabeth Kerley lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris



Elizabeth kerley - November 23, 2014 at 11:06 PM

BB

“ Prayers to your family, you taught me so much when I was a kid and I'll carry your wisdom with me forever



Brian Bird - November 23, 2014 at 10:46 PM

DH

“ Dallas H Harner

Dallas H Harner - November 23, 2014 at 09:37 PM

CH

“ Charles And Cindy Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris



Charles and Cindy Harner - November 23, 2014 at 09:35 PM

CB

“ Marvin L. "Tom" Harris

chris and kim bent - November 23, 2014 at 09:33 PM

DH

“ Dallas & Charlene Harner lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris



Dallas & Charlene Harner - November 23, 2014 at 09:31 PM



“ Stephanie Eastwood lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris



Stephanie Eastwood - November 23, 2014 at 06:22 PM



“ Aleatha Wright lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris



Aleatha Wright - November 23, 2014 at 05:55 PM



“ Raymond & Teresa Pearl lit a candle in memory of Marvin L. "Tom" Harris



Raymond & Teresa Pearl - November 23, 2014 at 02:31 AM



“ Tom wasn't my family...but he was family to me...I love you I remember talking to you about 3 yrs ago seems like I can still hear your voice...your family is my prayers and may you rest in peace ?



Debbie Mulligan-Gonzalez - November 22, 2014 at 08:18 PM

GI

“ Love you grandpa, seems like yesterday I was sitting with you in the early morning while you drank coffee. I remember riding with the grandkids in the back of your pickup seeing all the cow's! Rest In Paradise Grandpa



George Harris II - November 22, 2014 at 08:08 PM