



James Michael "Mike" Harris

November 9, 1945 - April 23, 2023

James Michael "Mike" Harris, 77, of Carthage, Missouri, passed away on Sunday, April 23, 2023. He was born in Carthage on November 9, 1945, to James Stanley Harris and Bonnie Jean Janney. Mike was a lifetime Carthage resident. He graduated from Carthage High School, Class of 1963. Mike also proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force in Vietnam, Thailand, and England. He then worked at Steadley Corporation and Leggett & Platt for 30+ years, retiring in 2012. Mike served as a city council member in Carthage for 11 years and was the Carthage Mayor from 2010 to 2018.

Mike was united in marriage to Kelly Still on October 30, 1992, in Miami, Oklahoma; she survives.

Mike is survived by his wife, Kelly Harris; five daughters, Heather Harris (Chris McDermott) of Alexandria, Virginia, Annie Goodwin (John) of Dawsonville, Georgia, Alexandria Hodkin (Eric) of Carthage, Missouri, Erin Harris-Ward (Dion) of Carthage, Missouri, and Addison Peavler (Alvin) of Carl Junction, Missouri; one daughter-in-law, Amy Harris of Morton, Illinois; eleven grandchildren, Addison, Finn, Avery, William, Carson, Cameron, Dakota, Mason, Aubrey, Benjamin, and Theodore; mother, Bonnie Harris; one brother, John Harris (Danielle) of Joplin, Missouri; one sister, Nancy Hutchins (Chuck) of Carthage, Missouri; and two sisters-in-law, Elaine and Tammy Harris.

Mike is preceded in death by his father, James Harris; son, Heath Harris on August 7, 2017; and two brothers, Steve and Richard Harris.

Services will be held 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 28, 2023, at First United

Methodist Church in Carthage, Missouri. Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 2023, at First United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Fasken Cemetery in Carthage, Missouri.

Contributions may be made to Kendrick House in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Fasken Cemetery

Carthage, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
Carthage, MO

Funeral Service

APR 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
Carthage, MO

Tribute Wall


Annette
Long

“ *I'm so sorry to hear this. Mike was a great brother-in-law and just an all around great guy. He was always so nice. I know he was loved and will be missed. My thoughts, my heart, my condolences, and my love goes out to all of you.*



Annette Long - April 27, 2023 at 10:43 PM

DC

“ *Mike and I became friends just the past few years. We shared the same love of Carthage, our sameness of politics and both being USAF vets who were stationed in England. We enjoyed our chats. I wish we had had more time together. Our prayers go out to Mike's family.*

Dan Curry - April 27, 2023 at 05:41 PM

HS

“ *Bonnie and Kelly,
We were sorry to read the sad news about your dear Mike. Too young, too sudden. We know that you, his children and grandchildren will miss him very much, and we send to each of you our deepest sympathy. Please know that we will be with you in spirit on Friday, April 28. Fasken Cemetery has been the final resting place for most of my mother's family (Lucille May Fasken Janney). Thank you and your family for your devotion and support in preserving Kendrick House. With affection from your cousins in Topeka, Kansas, Jacque (Kendrick/Janney) and Herschel Stroud*

Herschel & Jacque Stroud - April 26, 2023 at 01:02 PM

SH

“ To the Harris Family, My sincere condolences on Mike's passing. He will be missed by many. Godspeed Mike on the next part of your incredible journey.

Sidney Hiatt - April 26, 2023 at 09:16 AM

CB

“ One of my favorite memories of Mike is out at grandmother Harris' farm for a 4th of a July fireworks show. He & John would shoot fireworks from their chairs next to all the family. I loved seeing Mike at his hangar. So many great family memories to cherish. Praying peace & comfort to all of his family! Much love, Cindy Harris Baren

Cindy Baren - April 25, 2023 at 10:05 PM