

Joy Kathleen Wilmoth Harris

August 12, 1940 - February 1, 2019

Joy Kathleen Wilmoth Harris passed away on February 1, 2019. Joy was born August 12, 1940 in Chesterfield County, Virginia, and grew up in a little area south of Richmond called Dutch Gap. She graduated second in her class from Thomas Dale High School. Joy excelled in academics and sports. Joy loved her time at BYU and graduated in 1962.

She married her college sweetheart, Bill Harris, in the Salt Lake Temple on July 14, 1963, and they were married for 53 years. Joy and Bill settled in Provo to raise a family, since Bill was born and raised in Provo and owned a music store there. They had five children and lived in the Edgemont area most of their lives. Bill and Joy served a senior mission in the Canary Islands of Spain during the years 1992-1993. They loved their mission and serving with the younger sisters and elders in Tenerife, Canary Islands, Spain.

Joy had many talents: she enjoyed collecting, needlework, crafts, and shopping. Joy loved to travel and had many opportunities to see the U.S. and the world. She loved working with children and shopping at Dillard's. Her motto was "you could never have enough of the things you don't need." She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Joy is preceded in death by her parents, William Baylor and Agnes Wilmoth; her husband, Wilford "Bill" J. Harris Sr.; her daughter, Dayna Kay Harris; and daughter-in-law, Nicole "Nikki" Coletti Harris. She is survived by her children: Robyn J. Bailey (H. Bradley Bailey), Wilford J. Harris Jr., Kevin H. Harris, and Neil W. Harris (Linda Harris), and her grandchildren: William Buckley Bailey, Hyrum Dane Bailey, Wilford J. Harris III, Dayna Saige Harris, Jolee Kathleen Harris, Remington Liberty Harris, and Raelyn Harris. She is also survived by two sisters and a brother.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, February 8, 2019 at the Summit Ward Chapel, 4200 North Foothill Drive, Provo, Utah. Friends may call at the Berg Mortuary of Provo, 185 East Center Street, Thursday, February 7 from 6-8:00 p.m. and at the church Friday from 9:30-10:45 a.m. prior to services. Interment, Eastlawn Memorial Hills. Condolences may be expressed at www.bergmortuary.com.

Cemetery

Events

Eastlawn Memorial Hills

4800 North 650 East Provo, UT, 84604

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Berg Mortuary of Provo 185 East Center Street, Provo, UT, US, 84606

FEB Visitation 09:30AM - 10:45AM

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Summit Ward Chapel 4200 North Foothill Drive, Provo, UT, US, 84604

FEB Funeral Service 11:00AM

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Comments



My heart is so broken today. Joy was one of my very favorite customers. Her and I could spend all the time in the world talking church, garage sales and any other nonsense we could think of. Oh, how I will miss her dry wit and the cute way she always said my name. She will be truly missed.

Love-

Katie Jennings

Chesbro Music

Katie Jennings - February 28 at 06:25 PM



When my oldest daughter lived with us a few years ago, Joy was her favorite person in the Summit Ward. She met her at the music store. My daughter died in 2017 of pancreatic cancer while living in California. When Joy found out, she brought me a dozen red roses. I didn't know until yesterday at the funeral that she had a daughter who died of cancer. I would talk to Joy every Sunday before church started. I loved her different outfits. So fun and stylish. I remember seeing her at Dilliards when I was shopping there! I will miss her!

Sandra Patton

Sandra Patton - February 09 at 05:39 PM



I could always count on a nice piece of fudge she brought to the ward library each week and I wasn't even in her ward.

Mark Woodmansee - February 07 at 11:12 PM



Bryce, Alicia, Cole, Luke & Olivia Sutton purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joy Kathleen Wilmoth Harris.



Bryce, Alicia, Cole, Luke & Olivia Sutton - February 07 at 04:51 PM



Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joy Kathleen Wilmoth



February 07 at 12:06 PM





The Toledo Muñoz family:

We would like to express our love and deep empathy sadness and painfulness to the family of Joy and Bill Harris.

We are so sorry for Robyn, Wilf, Kevin and Neil and the whole family. We loved them too much, we felt that they were our family since we met them in TENERIFE, Spain, they treated us like family and they opened the doors of their house and their hearts. Neither the distance and time will end that deep love and unforgettable memories. They will never die because they will always be in our hearts very deep, sweetness and beautiful feelings towards them. Wonderful People, nobles, good hearts, hard workers, fighters, with great sense of humor and ability to help and love others unselfishly. They rest in peace. They will always be loved forever

Raquel Toledo Muñoz - February 06 at 08:19 PM





Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joy Kathleen Wilmoth Harris.



February 06 at 01:51 PM





We would like to express our love and empathy to the family of Joy. She and her husband, Bill, were one of our 6 fabulous senior couples serving in the Spain, Las Palmas Mission. They were assigned to the island of Tenerife, where they did such a wonderful job supporting and caring for the young missionaries on that island, that they were there for their entire mission. Joy learned guite a bit of Spanish, and Bill managed 'esposa', 'domingo' and 'fiesta'. We, the missionaries and the members loved them both, especially when Joy did her famous eye-rolling when there was something with which she was not in total agreement. Many of our former missionaries have continued to spend time with Joy and Bill for years after the

mission was over. We will miss them both. Bill Harris Music will never be the same without Bill and Joy.

With love,

Howard and Deanne Francis

Former President, Mision Espana Las Palmas

Deanne Francis - February 06 at 11:50 AM



So very sorry to Robyn, Wilf, Kevin and Neil. The world will not be the same without our vivacious and hilarious Joy. Oh, the memories!! I laugh just thinking about her antics! I loved her like a second mother. Until we meet again.

Michelle Green - February 05 at 08:13 PM



Joy was my favorite Aunt. When I was a little girl and she came to visit Virginia, I loved spending time with her and the cousins. She would tell Ghost stories, tell funny stories, we had loads of fun. She has a special place in my heart. When you were around Joy, you were always laughing. I love her and will miss her.

Kim - February 05 at 12:26 PM



Joy always loved telling everyone we met that I was her OLDER sister. I spoke to her almost every day on the phone. My children loved when Joy came to Virginia to visit. Your big sister loves you and will miss you.

Betty Bosher - February 05 at 05:48 PM



I remember the day we bought our piano. Both she and Bill talked to us for hours and told us stories about their family and made us feel loved. We laughed, cried, and then gave them all of our money! I enjoyed going into the store after that to visit with either of them - wonderful souls.

Thelma - February 06 at 10:36 AM