



Mary O. Harris

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Mary O. Harris went to her heavenly home on January 26, 2023.

She was born March 9th, 1940 in Pittsburg, KS, the only daughter of Theophilis G. Clark and Mary J. (Evans) Clark.

She attended Roosevelt Jr. High School (which is now Middle School) and Pittsburg High School. While still in high school, in January 1956 she was united in marriage to her high school sweetheart, Johnnie Madison.

Mary lived in Norfolk, VA in the 60's, where Johnnie was serving in the U.S. Navy. Their daughter Johnnie Kaye was born Dec. 1957. Mary and Johnnie were later divorced. Mary moved to San Diego, CA and then to Albuquerque, NM before returning to Pittsburg, KS. to raise her two children. In 1970 she met Clarence P. Harris and they were married in September of 1971. He preceded her in death in Feb. 1999. Mary worked in area nursing homes until she was employed by Southeast Kansas Community Action Program (SEK-CAP) as an outreach worker for Crawford County in 1974. She retired from that position in 2000 after 26 years of dedicated service. After a few months in retirement she went to work as a service coordinator for Key Management Co. on a three year HUD grant that lasted fourteen years. She again retired from Key Management Co. as service coordinator for Highland Meadows in Nov. of 2015. Mary was a 60 year member of Mt. Hebron Missionary Baptist Church of Pittsburg, KS., serving as dinner chairperson for many of the church's dinner programs. She loved to cook and sing in the adult choir, and was president of the Allie Kelly Mission Circle, where she was Chairman of the Trustee Board. She was a 30 year member of Sahara Chapter # 28 Order of the Eastern Stars where she served many years as worthy matron and serving as Grand Esther in Prince Hall Grand Chapter. Many years ago she served on the Human Relations Board at Pittsburg City Hall.

She leaves behind to mourn; her daughter Johnnie Kaye Azode; eight grandchildren, Tiffany Watson, Todd Marcell Watson, Taylor Madison, Tia Shorts, Myia Madison, Megan Jackson, and



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(Craig's daughter in Wichita); four great grandchildren, Ciara, Isaiah, Reniah, Jerimiah; and a host of cousins and great friends. Just to mention a few special friends, Alice McDaniels, Paulette Newton, Loyce Poncil, Deanna Blythe, Susie Taylor, Greg Greene, Steve Brigham, Mae Scott, Glenda Reeves, and Helen Whaley.

Proceeding her in death are her parents, both grandparents, husband Clarence Harris, brother Theoplilis G. Clark Jr., son Marshall Madison, and grandson Marshall Jr.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am on Wednesday, February 1, 2023. Burial will follow at Fort Scott National Cemetery at 12:30 pm. Family will receive friends and loved ones for visitation prior to the funeral at 9:30 am. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Wesley House. Arrangements are made by Bath-Naylor Funeral Home and Crematory in Pittsburg, KS. A live video stream of the funeral will be available at www.bathnaylor.com



Events

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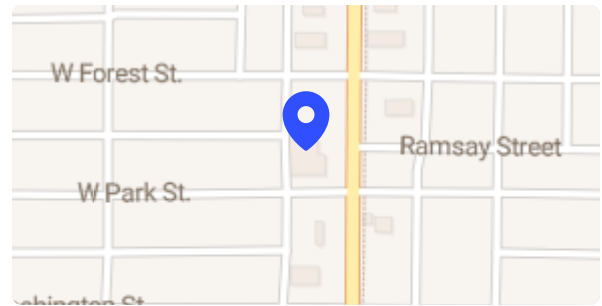
Visitation

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM CT

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522 S. Broadway, Pittsburg KS 66762



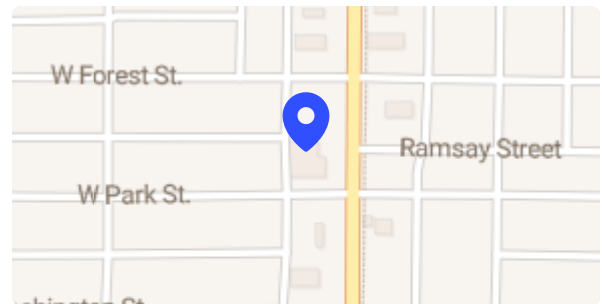
Service

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT

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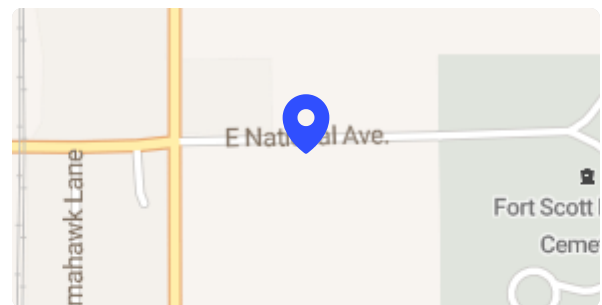
Burial

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM CT

Fort Scott National Cemetery

900 E. National Ave., Fort Scott KS 66701





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Bath-Naylor Funeral Home & Crematory shared a **Webcast Video**.



January 31 at 10:26 AM



Vincent Lomax & Family posted:

Our sympathy and condolences go to the family and loved ones of Ms. Mary Harris, who was one of our beloved mother's colleagues, co-workers, and best friends. May the Amighty God continue to bless yo u abundantly and may His peace, which surpasseth all understanding be with you, each and every one, now and forever, amen!

February 2 at 9:08 PM



Dee Evans posted:

My heartfelt condolence to the family of Mary Harris. Mary was my husband's cousin and I always admired the love she had for family. Mary will live on in my memories especially when I visited Pittsburg. Gone but not forgotten. Dee Evans

January 30 at 6:01 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Harris family.



January 29 at 3:55 PM



Lynetta Echols posted:

Mary was a wonderful friend and cherished part of the Pittsburg community. We are so sorry for your loss. Will keep your family in our prayers. Robert Scott and family

January 29 at 3:45 PM



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Juanita Green lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Mary will be so missed, she was a good friend to Russell and me. Always a great listener, giving good and spirit up lifting advice. Also her good ole time stories funny or serious will be missed. Our condolences and prayers are with the family. We love Mary and she will always be remembered in our hearts ❤️
Russell, Juanita Green and fmly R.I.P..our friend



January 29 at 8:09 AM



Alice Caldwell Mcdaniels posted:

Mary O. was the Sister I never had, we have been joined at the hip since early childhood. There are too many memories to write here. I love her with my whole heart and will never stop missing her.

January 28 at 12:53 PM



Holly Christiansen January 28 at 6:08 PM

She was a beautiful kindhearted woman. I'm glad she was such a wonderful friend.



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Harris family.



January 28 at 12:43 PM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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