



## Craig Alan (Harry) Harriss

December 10, 1959 - June 3, 2025

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch

Craig Alan (Harry) Harriss, age 65, entered the gates of heaven at his home in Southaven, Mississippi, after a lengthy battle with Early Onset Alzheimer's Dementia.

Harry was born in Memphis, TN on December 10, 1959, to Bobby E. and the late Donna Mae Harriss. He was a graduate of Oakhaven Baptist Academy, Mid-South Bible College (which later became Crichton College), Mid America Seminary, and Grace Seminary, completing two master's degrees and a degree in Christian School Administration.

After completing his education, Harry became the Oakhaven Baptist Academy Administrator for 13 years before spending ten years as Professor of Biblical Studies, Greek, and Hebrew at Crichton College until they closed in 2014. Harry worked with Wycliffe Bible Translators in India and the US and was a Professor of Biblical Studies at Liberty University for many years. During his career, Harry was invited to participate in a roundtable debate on evolution with well-known atheist, Richard Dawkins, at Oxford University in Oxford, England.

Harry spent his life and career living out his faith and working to bring those

he met and taught to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. Harry fiercely loved his God, family, friends, water skiing, and his Tennessee Vols. Prior to his illness, he was an active member of Longview Heights Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Donna Harriss, and stepmother, Carolyn (Green) Harriss.

He is survived by his loving family, including his wife of 31 years, Susan; his father, Bobby Harriss; his stepchildren, Matt Hammond and wife, Patricia; Natalie Meyers and husband, Jason; and Adam Hammond and wife, Julie; seven grandchildren: Madison Hammond, Levi Hammond, Austin Meyers, Bradley Meyers, Mallory Meyers, Blakely Hammond, and Hayes Hammond; and his brother, Bob Harriss and wife, Sherrye, and nieces, Melynda and Courtney.

He also loved and was loved dearly by Susan's brother, Keith Belote, his wife, Cindy, and their daughter, Whitney; Susan's sister, Amie Dunn and her husband, David, and David's children, Taylor Dunn and Drew Dunn and his wife, Olivia, and their son, Duke.

In lieu of flowers, please consider giving to Longview Heights Baptist Church at 4501 Goodman Rd in Olive Branch, MS, the Alzheimer Association, or Gentiva Hospice in Southaven, MS. The family sends a heartfelt thank you to those who reached out with never-ending love, care, calls, texts, and encouragement through Harry's extended illness . . . especially the dedicated and skilled professionals at Gentiva Hospice.

A celebration of Harry's life will be held at Longview Heights in Olive Branch on Saturday, June 7. Visitation will begin at 2:00 p.m., followed by a brief service at 3:00 p.m. The graveside will be held at Autumn Woods Memorial Park in Olive Branch, MS.

Pallbearers include Keith Belote, David Dunn, Matt Hammond, Adam Hammond, Bob Harriss, and Jason Meyers.

# Cemetery Details

## Autumn Woods Memorial Park

6240 Davidson Road  
Olive Branch, MS 38654

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 7. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Longview Heights Baptist Church  
4501 Goodman Road  
Olive Branch, MS 38654

## Funeral Service

JUN 7. 3:00 PM (CT)

Longview Heights Baptist Church  
4501 Goodman Road  
Olive Branch, MS 38654

# Tribute Wall



“ *Yates Construction purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Craig Alan (Harry) Harriss.*

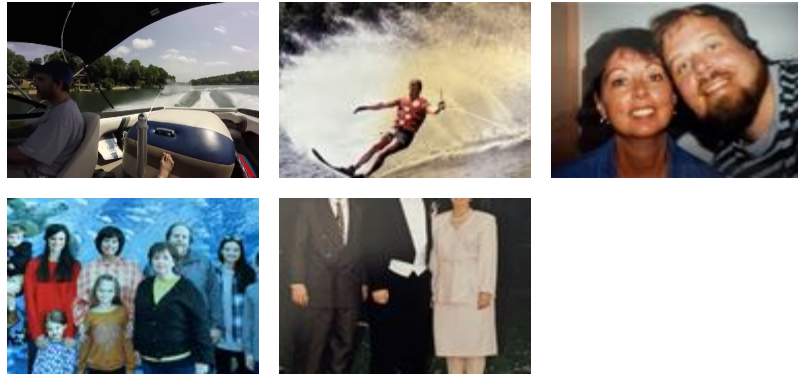


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**Coleman Funeral Home (Olive Branch)** - June 05, 2025 at 03:41 PM

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*Larry and Penny Kindrick send to Susan, Bobby, Matt, Adam, Natalie, and the rest of the Harriss family our love and deepest sympathy for Harry's passing from your lives. However, we know that he is no longer suffering and is eternally healed by his Lord and will be forever blessed. We were certainly blessed for having known him and he was an extremely godly man who both loved and served his Lord and family well. We will all miss him but are so happy for him as he is in the presence of his Savior and anxiously waiting for us to meet with him again when our time comes to go where he is. May God bless and comfort you as you lean on Him one day at a time during the days of adjustments and emotions that lie ahead, and you can always thank God for the "Gift of Time" that Harry was with you and "The Precious Memories" you have because of his being here on earth." Again, God Bless! Psalm 116:15; Revelation 14:13; Psalm 46:1*

Larry & Penny Kindrick - June 07, 2025 at 08:18 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Craig Alan (Harry) Harriss.



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“ Love, Sarah Spencer and family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Craig Alan (Harry) Harriss.



Love, Sarah Spencer and family - June 04, 2025 at 05:21 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Harry’s passing. We loved the entire Harriss family and will always cherish the memories at Cherokee Village floating around on mats in the cove. We especially loved sitting on the back porch with Mr Bobby. Our deepest condolences ❤️❤️ Martha (Lawyer) Hall, Jacob, Emma, and Mary Catherine

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**martha lawyer hall** - June 04, 2025 at 05:10 PM