



Mr. Billy Joe Harris

November 19, 1941 - December 21, 2016

Billy Joe Harris, 75, of Ringgold, Georgia went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Wednesday, December 21, 2016. Mr. Harris was a member of Unity Baptist Church. He was an avid golfer, talented musician, wonderful husband, father and grandfather. He will be missed by all who knew him. He was preceded in death by his parents James and Trudy Mae Harris.

He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Peggie Harris of Ringgold; children, Cynthia Harris Willett of Ringgold, Michael Harris of Chattanooga; sisters, Mary Nell Harris Slater of Ringgold and Betty Jean Harris Place of Daytona FL; five grandchildren, Lee, Ryan, Matt, Taylor and Noah; one great grandchild Liam; several nieces, nephews and many special friends also survive.

Funeral services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 26, 2016 in the Fort Oglethorpe Chapel with Rev. Steve Fletcher officiating. Burial will follow in Lakewood Memorial Gardens South. The family will receive friends on Monday from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Flowers will be accepted or you may send memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society @ 300 W. Emery St. Suite 106, Dalton, GA 30720. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Homes, Fort Oglethorpe, GA.

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Memory Gardens South

325 Greens Lake Road
Rossville, GA 30741
(706) 866-7777

Tribute Wall

GW

“*Sadly missed, R.I.P. Uncle Billy Joe. I take comfort in knowing your free of pain and sickness in this sometimes dirty old world. As much as any man who ever lived, you deserve to inherit the love and peace of Heaven. In the arms of the angels now. My thoughts and prayers will always be with our (your) family.*

Gary Walston - December 30, 2016 at 02:02 PM

CO

“*Mike, Peggy, and Cindy, I am so sorry to hear about Bill's passing. I will always remember how sweet, crazy, and fun he was to be around. The trips to Mike's gigs and the just setting around shooting the breeze. I know he will be missed, but just remember you will see him again. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Clara Odmann*

Clara Odmann - December 26, 2016 at 06:39 PM

MA

“*Sand Mtn. I am going to miss you good friend. Save me a place in a foursome. (Rockey top)*

Marshall - December 26, 2016 at 09:21 AM

RB

“ *Bill was such a good friend and neighbor to us. He was our music mentor, inspiring us to learn as much as we could about different instruments. His humor always kept us in stitches, leaving us with so many good memories. He was my best golf buddy and in the later days we would go riding around and stop to get a pork chop and biscuit for breakfast.*



Rest in Peace Dear Friend. You will truly be missed.

Randall and Brenda

Randall and Brenda - December 26, 2016 at 07:57 AM

AN

“ *Angie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Billy Joe Harris*



Angie - December 25, 2016 at 04:34 PM

AN

“ *What I remember most about Uncle Bill is his big heart, beautiful smile, and his sweet laughter. He loved a good joke better than anyone I know. He loved seeing other people happy...especially his family.*

Angie Slater Pilote

Angie - December 25, 2016 at 04:34 PM

JS

“ I remember going out to uncle Bill's house and him helping me make a woodworking project for one of my classes. Had the best time. A memory I'll never forget. Jim Slater



Jim Slater - December 25, 2016 at 02:55 PM

BB

“ Betty Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Billy Joe Harris



Betty Bowman - December 23, 2016 at 03:33 PM

DA

“ I will miss seeing Bill at family gatherings, he was always the life of the party. I think he knew more jokes than anyone I have ever known. (they were all funny). I am glad he gave me copies of the old family photos he had. Every time I look at them I'll smile and think of him. He was a great father, husband and cousin. Family members already in heaven are getting a wonderful present this Christmas.
RIP Billy Joe
Deloras Brown Arnold (cousin)

Deloras Brown Arnold - December 23, 2016 at 11:12 AM

BM

“ I will always remember how much interest Billy Joe gave to Mike as he was growing up and getting better and better on the banjo. Bill carried Mike all over Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia to contest and Mike would win most of the time. Bill was so proud of Mike and encouraged him all the way with his music and always supported him through the joys and disappointments of playing music. Always there supporting and encouraging Mike and finally Mike has turned into the finest musician in the southeast on guitar bass and banjo. I know Mike will certainly miss the talks and stories that he and his dad have had over the years. My condolences to all the family now as we say goodbye to a friend, a father, a brother and most of all to the head of the family. Job well done Bill Harris RIP.

Bill McCallie - December 23, 2016 at 09:54 AM

TM

*Bill and his Family were always an Inspiration to me. He Loved Golf and he and I would Play every time we could be in the Same town together while we were traveling for our Companies. Sometimes we would plan to be in the same town on purpose just so we could Play Golf. He has Always been a close Friend, and I will Surely Miss him. Somewhere in Heaven, Bill is on the First Tee and I know it is going to be Magnificent. I know Peggy, Mike, and Cindy are in mourning, but knowing Bill like I do, he would say Don't cry for me, I'll see you soon. Thank you Bill for all of the Wonderful Memories you have shared with me. I am a Better person because You were My friend !!!!
Rest In Peace my friend !!!!*

Tommy Martin

Tommy Martin - December 23, 2016 at 01:42 PM

MS

“ *When we were growing up we would walk together through the woods to see Grandma and Grandpa. We had so much fun along the way stopping at the neighbor's house to play. He was the best brother and he always looked out for me. I always loved to hear him play the guitar and banjo. I love him and miss him but I know he is in a better place.*

Mary Harris Slater (Sister)

Mary Slater - December 22, 2016 at 07:23 PM