



## Carol Johnson Harris

July 6, 1938 - May 9, 2021

Carol Johnson Harris (nee Hutton), entered into eternal life on May 9, 2021.

Carol was born on July 6th, 1938 to William C. and Estelle Hutton and was raised in Louisville, Kentucky; followed by residences in Lexington, KY; Lafayette, LA; Bradenton, FL; and finally, Fredericksburg, VA.

Carol graduated from Shawnee High School in Louisville, and while working and a single divorced mother graduated from the University of Louisville with an Associates Degree as a Paralegal.

She worked for the Anaconda Aluminum Company on 13th Street, followed by the Brown & Williamson Tobacco Company (B&W) on Hill Street, both in Louisville. While at B&W, she started as a pool secretary but rose her way to a position as a paralegal for a patent attorney within the company, an amazing accomplishment for a single mom at the time.

She dedicated her time away from work to raising her son Kevin, providing for the two of them at great sacrifice to her own personal life and relationships. She always found the time to support him during his childhood and education, and to take him to see her beloved Louisville Cardinals play football and basketball.

Carol continued to work for B&W and its parent company British American Tobacco US until she met the true love of her life, Col. (USArmy Ret.) Lee G. Harris Jr., marrying him on January 1st, 1982 at Ft. Knox. At the time Lee was the East Kentucky State Manager for the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society, and Carol became Lee's "unpaid" secretary, paralegal consultant, and moral compass for the remainder of his career with the Woodmen, to include a brief stop as a State Manager in Lafayette, LA.

After Lee's (and Carol's) retirement from the Woodmen in 1998, they returned to Louisville and joined the Jeffersontown Christian Church. They spent many years traveling in their motor coach, flying, and spent plenty of time boating as well. They became very active in

the Woodmen retiree group called S.A.F.E.R., joined the Louisville Sail and Power Squadron, and Carol turned Lee into a Louisville Cardinal fan. The two of them led a life of adventure and laughter during their 32 years together, until Lee's passing in 2013.

After Lee's death Carol spent summers in Louisville and winters in Bradenton, FL, eventually settling in Bradenton. As her health began to decline, she moved to be close to her son in Fredericksburg, VA, where she passed after a brief illness with Kevin by her side.

Carol is survived by her children Kevin Johnson and wife Brooke; Lee Harris III and wife Mimi, Vicki Dice (Harris) and husband David; and her grandchildren, Christopher, Kent, Diana, and Sharon.

Visitation will be between 9 and 10 a.m. Saturday, June 19, 2021 at the Jeffersontown Christian Church, 10631 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, KY 40299, with a memorial service and brief graveside service following immediately after. Her ashes will be interred next to Lee's in the church's prayer garden, which the two of them helped create prior to Lee's passing.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the Crusade for Children by one of the following methods:

- Give online at <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/wcfc>
- Text CRUSADE to 50155
- Venmo @CrusadeForChildren
- CashApp \$CrusadeChildren
- Paypal WHAS Crusade for Children
- Ask Alexa to donate to the Crusade for Children

Please comment "In memory of Carol Harris c/o the Jeffersontown Fire Department" if your method gives that option.

Online condolences may be left at <http://www.Ratterman.com>.

# Events

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**JUN** **Visitation** 09:00AM - 10:00AM

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Jeffersontown Christian Church - Cremation Cemetery  
10631 Taylorsville Road, Jeffersontown, KY, US, 40299

**JUN** **Memorial Service** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Jeffersontown Christian Church  
10631 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, KY, US