



Kent A. Harris

July 1, 1954 - August 6, 2017

Kent Allen Harris, 63, of Deshler, Ohio passed away Sunday morning, August 6, 2017 at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center, Toledo, Ohio.

He was born July 1, 1954 in Findlay, Ohio to the late Kenneth "Tiny" and Charlotte (Rosebrook) Harris. On November 24, 1980 he married Sherrie Wulff in Napoleon, Ohio.

Kent was a 1972 graduate of Patrick Henry High School and was the first athlete inducted into the Patrick Henry Athletic Hall of Fame for his accomplishments in Track and Field. He furthered his education by attending Northern Arizona University and the University of Toledo. For over 30 years, he was a self-employed contractor and remodeled homes. He offered his skills towards any project needed for a friend or member of his community. He previously worked with Tom Pendleton Builders in Bowling Green, Ohio and also ran a trash service Kent-Rich Trash - first names in trash - with his life-long friend, Rich Betts.

He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Flatrock Township and was active in the choir. As a talented musician, he often composed and arranged music for church or other events. He offered his services playing Taps at military funerals for many years. He played trumpet and baritone with the Hoops-Rosebrook Polka Band, Platte Deutsche and the Vitak-Elsnic Tribute Band. He was proud to establish the Deshler 5K Turkey Trot to benefit food pantries in the community. His love for nature and science was a constant presence, as was his love of his family.

He is survived by his wife, Sherrie; children, Elizabeth "Libby" (Cole) Fitzenreiter; Julia (Matt) Behnfeldt; Kallen "Kal" Harris; granddaughters, Blythe and Kyla Fitzenreiter; brothers, Steven (Ann) Harris; Todd (Sherry) Harris; sister-in-law, Anna Marie Harris and in-laws, Darrell and Carolyn Wulff.

He was preceded in death by brother, Brian Harris.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Flatrock Township, 12-868 County Road K, with Pastor Jacob Stuenkel officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery and a fellowship luncheon will follow at the church.

Friends are invited to visit from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service at the church.

The family suggests memorials to the Deshler Council of Churches Food Pantry.

www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Lutheran Flatrock Twp. Cemetery

12868 County Road K
Napoleon, OH 43545

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church-Flatrock Twp.
12868 County Road K
Napoleon, OH 43545

Service

AUG 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church-Flatrock Twp.
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Fellowship Luncheon

AUG 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JH

“ We're so sad and very sorry for your loss. It must be so difficult to say good bye and we wish you peace and comfort. Kent certainly left his mark everywhere you look!
With warm affection... Jane and Bob Haggerty

Jane & Bob Haggerty - August 10, 2017 at 04:35 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.



August 09, 2017 at 08:31 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.



August 09, 2017 at 04:37 PM

SN

“ Select Health Network purchased the Sapphire Sapphires Bouquet for the family of Kent A. Harris.



Select Health Network - August 09, 2017 at 01:22 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



August 09, 2017 at 09:45 AM



“ *Douglas Shumaker & Family lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



Douglas Shumaker & Family - August 09, 2017 at 09:42 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



August 09, 2017 at 09:12 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



August 08, 2017 at 06:36 PM

JW

“ Jean Walther purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Kent A. Harris.



Jean Walther - August 08, 2017 at 03:12 PM

RS

“ So sorry to learn of Kent's passing. I'm a trumpet player who plays in the Bud Widmer Rube Band, and I played many concerts with Kent. He was a fine player, and a great guy to know. I hope that he'll continue to play that trumpet in Heaven, where I'll play along with him again some day.

Roger Short

Roger Short - August 08, 2017 at 06:59 AM

MS

“ Michael Shumaker lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



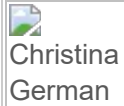
Michael Shumaker - August 08, 2017 at 06:56 AM

MJ
Patton

“ Your family is in our prayers. May God guide you through this difficult time providing you with peace and strength. I'm very sorry for your families loss.



MJ Patton - August 08, 2017 at 06:09 AM



Christina German

“ *Christina German lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



Christina German - August 08, 2017 at 05:30 AM



SA

“ *On behalf of Kent's fellow classmates from his 1972 Graduating Class at Patrick Henry High School...We are saddened by his life on earth leaving so soon. Our prayers and sympathy to wife Sherrie, children Libby, Julia and Kal, granddaughters Blythe and Kyla, and his brothers Steven and Todd and extended families, along with Brian's surviving family. God's Speed Kent!!*



Sandy - August 08, 2017 at 02:02 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



August 07, 2017 at 11:33 PM

WN

“ With love, John and Wendy Nashu purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Kent A. Harris.



With love, John and Wendy Nashu - August 07, 2017 at 09:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.



August 07, 2017 at 09:08 PM

RR

“ Rayola Risner lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



Rayola Risner - August 07, 2017 at 08:31 PM

ZF

“ Zernhel Family lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



Zernhel Family - August 07, 2017 at 08:30 PM

TF

“ *The Zernhel Family lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



The Zernhel Family - August 07, 2017 at 08:28 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



August 07, 2017 at 07:46 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



August 07, 2017 at 07:20 PM

SH

“ *1 file added to the album Kent Music*



Steve Harris - August 07, 2017 at 07:02 PM

LW

“ *Lynne and Eric Watkiss purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



Lynne and Eric Watkiss - August 07, 2017 at 06:57 PM

MG

“ *We were so sorry to hear of Kent's passing. We really were blessed to have met him. Our sympathy goes out to all of you. Mike and Lynette Grooms*

Mike and Lynette Grooms - August 07, 2017 at 06:42 PM

KL

“ *So very sorry to hear of Kent's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayer. Kathy & Steve Lieb*



Kathy & Steve Lieb - August 07, 2017 at 06:09 PM

JF

“ *John and Laurie Collier and family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Kent A. Harris.*



John and Laurie Collier and family - August 07, 2017 at 06:07 PM

LW

“ *Our hearts are saddened by your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you. May peace and comfort find you during this difficult time.*

*Our Deepest Sympathy,
Lynne and Eric Watkiss*

Lynne Watkiss - August 07, 2017 at 05:50 PM

JC

“ *Jeannie Cocke lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



Jeannie Cocke - August 07, 2017 at 05:42 PM

JC

“ *Sherrie, I am so sorry to hear of Kent's passing. Praying God's comfort as you and your family share memories of all the blessings God has given you together. Jeannie (Schwiebert) Cocke*

Jeannie Cocke - August 07, 2017 at 05:41 PM

CF

“ *Kent was doing work for us and was missing a hammer.....we found it in Matt's bedroom and returned it after we took a picture of him hammering a nail into a piece of scrap wood. Kent just laughed!*

Collier family - August 07, 2017 at 05:11 PM

JW

“ Jean Walther lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



Jean Walther - August 07, 2017 at 05:10 PM

CF

“ Collier Family lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



Collier family - August 07, 2017 at 05:08 PM

TN

“ Tim, Les, Jon & Sean Norden lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



Tim, Les, Jon & Sean Norden - August 07, 2017 at 05:03 PM

HP

“ Howard And Joyce Petersen lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris



Howard and Joyce Petersen - August 07, 2017 at 05:00 PM

JH

“ *Jim & Miranda Hoops lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



Jim & Miranda Hoops - August 07, 2017 at 04:38 PM

AM

“ *Anita And Ken McCabe lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



Anita and Ken McCabe - August 07, 2017 at 04:33 PM

PL

“ *Paula Latta lit a candle in memory of Kent A. Harris*



Paula Latta - August 07, 2017 at 04:10 PM

RJ

“ *It has been my pleasure to count Kent as a musical friend for the many years in the Corn City Band and the Napoleon Community Band that we shared. He will be missed by all of us who shared his love for music. Rest in peace my friend.*

Ruth Johnson - August 07, 2017 at 03:58 PM

NB

“ *The Napoleon Community Band will miss Kent very much. He added so much to our musical family whether he was playing the French Horn or his "baby baritone". He also played in our Elf Band which he is responsible for naming. We will miss his friendship. Our thoughts and love are with his family.*

Napoleon Community Band - August 07, 2017 at 03:47 PM

MC

“ *Sherry,
We are so sorry to hear about Kent! Mark has many high school memories of him. Find comfort in the many people who are with you during this difficult time! You are in our thoughts and prayers! May God Bless you!
Love, Mark and Cindy Cody*

Mark and Cindy Cody - August 07, 2017 at 03:42 PM



“ *Kent touched so many lives with his many talents. So thankful we were able to get to know him even better through the church and choir. His wit will be greatly missed. Love to all the family. Mike and Lynn Hoops .*

Lynn Hoops - August 07, 2017 at 03:24 PM

MB

“ *Sherrie and family,*

We offer our condolences. We enjoyed our last conversation with Kent at the Hamler Summerfest the last weekend in July. He will be missed by many.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Rob and Marsha Bostelman

Justin and Virginia

Kylee and Joel

Troy and Jasmine

Marsha Bostelman - August 07, 2017 at 03:01 PM