



## Lee Wade Harris

January 15, 1925 - March 15, 2016

Lee Wade Harris, longtime Council Hill resident, died in Okmulgee on March 15, 2016, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on January 15, 1925 in Boynton, Oklahoma to the late George Washington "G.W." and Myrtle Irena (Harden) Harris. He married Catherine Eyvonne Dukes on October 25, 1947. A decorated war veteran, Lee attended Morris High School, until he answered the call to serve his country in the United States Navy during World War II. During the war, he served in the Pacific Theater and saw a great deal of action, including surviving a kamikaze attack. His love of country continued long after the war with his membership in the VFW and the American Legion. Lee was also a longtime member of Countryside Baptist Church, which he attended as long as his health allowed him to. There he was an active part of music ministry, along with his wife. Ministry through music was very important to him as he traveled with his family throughout several states to different nursing homes and benevolent organizations, singing and sharing the gospel. Lee was a devoted family man, and a people person, who never met a stranger. He also worked many years as a dormitory counselor at OSU Tech, a mechanic, and a cattle rancher.

Lee is preceded in death by the love of his life, Catherine "Catsy" Harris, along with his parents and four sisters: Thelma White, Alma Carrick, Louise Self, and Joy Frazier. Left to cherish his memory are his five children: daughter Linda Bledsoe and husband Don of Okmulgee, son Richard Harris and wife Joyce of Okmulgee, son George Harris and wife Linda of Haskell,

daughter Angela Davis of Panama, and son Randy Harris and wife Kim of Austin, Texas, thirteen grandchildren: Danny Bledsoe, Kenneth Bledsoe, Me-chelle Cash, Heather Harris, Becky Landers, David Anderson, Bonnie West, Mary Catherine Smith, Ronnie Davis, Barney Davis, Julie Davis, Patty Reece, and Tara Lynn Kistler and all of their spouses, along with his brother, Jim Clay Harris and wife Bonnie, and sister Martha Paschal. He is also survived by numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and a host of friends.

A funeral service celebrating Lee's life will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2016 at Hitchita FreeWill Baptist Church with his sons Reverend George W. Harris and Brother Richard Gene Harris officiating. Interment will follow at the Council Hill Cemetery in Council Hill, Oklahoma, with Reverend Charles Smith officiating the committal service. Serving as casketbearers will be Kenneth Bledsoe, Danny Bledsoe, Ronnie Davis, Barney Davis, David Anderson, Robert Cash, Jarrod Smith, Scott Weller, Me-chelle Cash, and Heather Harris. Honorary casketbearers will be Ed Gibson, Ron Zeigler, and Everett Staton. Friends may visit the funeral home on Friday, March 18 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with the family present to receive guests from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

# Cemetery Details

## Council Hill Cemetery

Council Hill, OK 74428

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee  
303 E. 7th Street  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
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## Viewing

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## Funeral Service

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MAR 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hitchita FreeWill Baptist

# Tribute Wall



“ *McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lee Wade Harris*



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**McClendon-Winters Funeral Home** - March 17, 2016 at 05:33 PM



“ *Lee Wade Harris*

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December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Lee & Catherine Brought Much Happiness To Many Many People! Especially Our Family! With Their Love for Music, Always had time to Play and Sing!! As I was growing up, remember how Supportive they Both were for Their Wonderful Children! Always at School Functions, as My Parents were there Also! All Their Family Were Great Friends, of My Family. Randy being my age, Debbie Self (his cousin), and I were Class Mates. So few in our Class, we all were very close. Our Hearts Go Out to All!! But Oh! How God Blessed Us of With His Love for So Many Years!! We Are Blessed! It's a Honor to Have had Lee & all His Family in Our Lives!!!*

*With Love, Becky Hopkins*

*(Parents Lee Roy (Bud) (6/16/1923 - 1/1/2011) & Ida ( 6/1923) - Allison, Brother Robert Allison.*

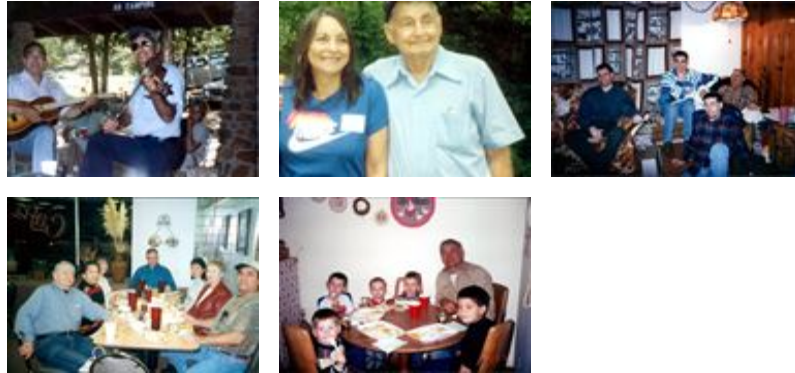
*Also We Enjoyed All the Pictures You'll Shared!!*

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**Becky Hopkins** - March 17, 2016 at 06:12 PM



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“ My heart is broken but spirit is singing to know this great man is now singing and playing his fiddle in heaven with his awesome wife and our Lord. I can just see it now....Gma Harris is drilling him and asking him what took him so long....hehehe....man we love these two and will always hold our years of memories sacred. These two awesome people showed love to our family and my kids took pride in calling them Gma & Gpa Harris even though we shared no blood, we shared love. This man and his wife will forever hold a special place in the hearts of the Lane Family.

Steve & Angie Lane

Angie - March 17, 2016 at 02:59 PM

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“ This is a very sad day, to hear of G Pa Harris passing. I do know that he is in a Fabulous place and he is with his Sweetheart Katherine again..😇 I do have so many memories of going to "Farm" Or " The Big House" ...My sister ( Joyce Harris) dated and then married Richard Harris, My younger sister (Janice) and I couldn't wait for Richard to come visit or have a date with Joyce...and then He would take all of us to the farm and G Pa and Richard would let us do anything we wanted to . Ride horses, ride bikes, go help with collecting fresh eggs..there would be dogs and cats and lots of other animals to play with. Ms. Katherine would be in the kitchen cooking and baking all kinds of Delicious food. So at the end of the day we knew that we would have a great supper with The Harris Family... All My Love to the Harris Family, May Jesus Hold you in his arms at this time, My thoughts and prayers are with you all.. With great sorrow in my Heart,, Love Always..Pam( Watson) Stockinger😇💕

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**Pamela Stockinger?** - March 16, 2016 at 04:10 PM