



William Stephen Harries

April 27, 1933 - June 12, 2020

William Stephen Harries, 87, of Georgetown, Texas, died peacefully at home in his sleep on Friday, June 12, 2020.

Bill, a twin, was born in Empiria, Kansas, to Julius Walter and Eleanor Austenfeld Harries, on April 27, 1933. He grew up in Kansas and Missouri. He graduated from Rockhurst High school

in Kansas City in 1950. After a tour of duty with the U. S. Army, he graduated from Kansas University School of Engineering, and was a Registered Professional Engineer. He married Kay

Woodbury in 1957 and they had four children.

They moved to Alexandria, Virginia. Bill worked in Washington D. C. as a government contractor, before returning to Kansas City where he worked with Wilcox Electric.

After a divorce, he married Judith Moore, and worked in Lawrence, Kansas, for a small engineering company, where he met Bill Kent. The two of them founded Applied Micro Technology, a custom electronics company in Kansas City in 1973. The company was sold in

1999, and Bill retired.

Bill enjoyed spending summers with family and friends at the family cabin at the Lake of the

Ozarks in Missouri. He is remembered by the youngsters as the master of the ski boat.

Friends

recall how good-natured he was, how quick to smile, and how much he enjoyed a good conversation!

In 2002 Bill and Judy bought a house in Sun City, Texas. They spent winters there and summers at the Lake of the Ozarks, until 2013, when they moved to Sun City full time. Bill enjoyed golfing, bridge, poker, Rotary, and traveling with Sun City groups.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, his twin brother, Robert Harries, and sons Stephen

and Christopher Harries. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Judith, son Gregory

Harries of

Kansas City, daughter Gretchen (Jon Dee) Graham, and grandson, William Harries

Graham of

Austin; sisters Christene Ladesich, and Mary Gilwee, of California.

Honoring Bill's passion for planting trees and foliage, a tree memorial to be planted in US National Forests is suggested. A website is alivingtribute.org.

There are no memorial services pending currently. However we ask that you visit the website

www.centraltexascremation.com and leave your thoughts.

Comments



“ Judy, Just read Bill's obituary in the Kansas City Star, am so sorry for your loss. You both were so nice to Nancee and I getting to know you at the Unitarian Church. The visits to your home for dinner for eight or Christmas open house were always so warm and inviting. Bill's twinkle in his eye will not be forgotten! Peace, your friend, George Thompson

George Thompson - July 19 at 01:23 PM



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“ Loved playing bridge with the two of you- Bill's wit and skills are great memories. Here's to raising a glass of wine to his memory.
Love,
Carol Busch

Carol Busch - July 08 at 09:06 PM



“ Bill was a dear, dear friend and we loved him so much. We were pioneers together at the new Shawnee Mission Unitarian church 50 years ago. We started a 3 table duplicate bridge group together that lasted nearly that long. He was such a bright, caring, entertaining and an overall delight. We solved the world's problems many times over. I am sad but know he didn't have to suffer too long. Judy was such a great partner for Bill and he loved her so dearly. I miss him.

Melva and Chuck Peterson

Melva Peterson - July 05 at 05:25 PM



“ Dear Judy,

No words can express the depth of my grief or the extent of my gratitude for having you and Bill in my life for so many years. All our love and sympathy to you, Gretchen, Jon Dee, William and Gregg. No dry eyes in the Lane family.

Love, Chris and Steve

Chris Lane - July 03 at 11:38 AM