

Acknowledgments

The Harris Family graciously acknowledges the many thoughtful presentations of sympathy shown through your visitations, prayers, cards, flowers and food during our bereavement. Special thanks to Bishop Charles Johnson and Greater Morning Star Apostolic Ministries, AFFI District I Ushers and Pastor James Plummer Sr. and the True Apostolic Church. You have comforted us with your love and support.

Pallbearers

Darius Harris
Kenard Harris
Evan Bratcher
James Plummer Jr.
Kendrick Harris
Robert Bratcher

Honorary Pallbearers

Clarence Harris III
David Eadie Sr.
Jamal Plummer

Repast

Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no repast following the service.

Interment

Heritage Memorial Cemetery
(Private)

Services Entrusted To

Thorton Funeral Home, PA
3439 Livingston Rd., Indian Head, MD 20640

Celebration of Life



Elder Dr. Clarence E. Harris Jr.

DECEMBER 29, 1954- APRIL 1, 2021

Greater Morning Star Apostolic Ministries
1700 Ritchie Marlboro Road, Largo, MD 20774

Bishop Charles E. Johnson, Host Pastor
Pastor David L. Eadie Sr., Officiant
Pastor James H. Plummer Sr., Eulogist
Monday, April 12, 2021

Obituary

Born on December 29, 1954 to Deacon Clarence Edward Harris Sr. and Mrs. Virginia Colbert Harris, he was one of eleven children born to this union. Clarence E. Harris Jr. peacefully entered eternal rest on Thursday, April 1, 2021.

Clarence was baptized in the name of Jesus at the age of "accountability", 12 years old and was filled with the Holy Ghost on April 30, 1981, at The Way Back to Pentecost Church, Washington, D.C. He was raised by God-fearing parents, who mentored him through their walk with God as well as many older saints that left a legacy for him to follow. Clarence served in many capacities/roles, in the church and community, over the years; Administrator Treasurer, Deacon, Sunday Christian Education Teacher, Ministry Leader, Preacher, Executive Board Member, Teacher and Devotion Leader. He served with the DC, DE, and MD District Council Ushers and went on to become an International Usher of the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World (PAW) Inc.

Dr. Harris was a native of Washington, D.C., starting his education as a child in the District of Columbia Public School System. He earned his high school diploma from Theodore Roosevelt High School in 1973, graduating with honors. With encouragement from his parents, he furthered his education by earning his Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering (BSEE) degree from the George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in May 1978. Believing in the importance of education, Clarence went on to further obtain his Masters of Science in Engineering (MSE) degree from the Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., in February 1983.

Dr. Harris had been employed with the Department of the Navy Naval Air Systems Command since 1978 working on critical and emerging technologies for the U.S. warfighters. He retired in December 2016 with honor as an Engineering Supervisor at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station, mentoring junior as well as journeyman engineers. While he was blessed to obtain his secular education, Clarence felt a call on his life to use his education for the purpose that God would later reveal to him. In his preparation to be used by God, Dr. Harris started taking courses offered at Aenon Bible College, Indianapolis, IN. He later started coursework at the International Apostolic University of Grace and Truth, Indianapolis, IN., where he later received his Doctor of Divinity (D.D.) degree July 1999 under the tutelage of Dr. Phyllis E. Heath. In July 2000, Dr. Harris received the Doctor of Christian Education (D.CEd.) degree from the International Apostolic University. He became a licensed minister of the PAW, Inc., December 1999 and was ordained in July 2011 at the DC, DE, and MD District Council by Bishop Charles E. Johnson.

The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name
In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone;
Part of us went with you the day God called you home.
You left us precious memories and your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you, you are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same;
But as God calls us one by one the chain will link again.

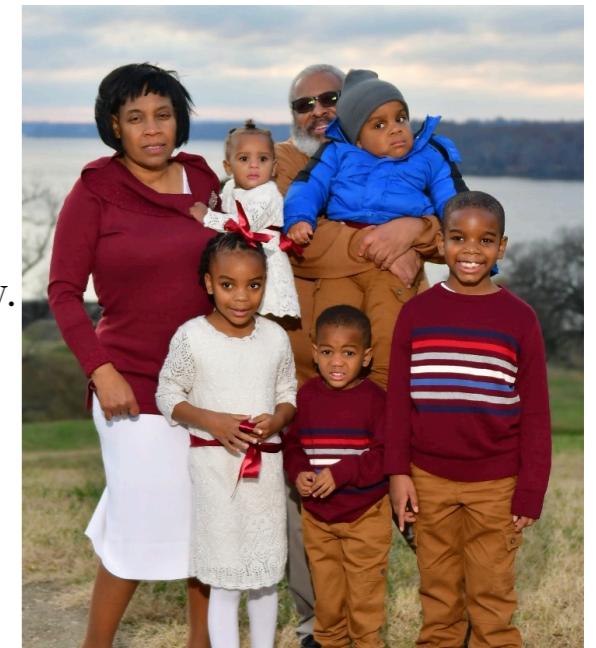
-Author Unknown



From your children:

Clarence III (Lydia), India (David),
Darius (Chioma), Kenard (Jillian) and Korea

Poppy was nice
Poppy was kind
He was helpful in many ways.
Poppy, thank you for always wiping our tears away.
He loved all of us and we all loved him.
We are sad you are no longer here, but grateful
to know, we will see you in Heaven.



Written by
David Eadie Jr. and Jael Harris on behalf of the grandchildren

Order of Service

Officiating

Pastor David L. Eadie Sr.
Greater Bethlehem Temple II

Musical Prelude

Pjay Edmund

Hymnal Medley

Bishop Alphonso L. Bratcher
The Way Back to Pentecost Church

Prayer of Comfort

Pastor David L. Eadie Sr.

Scripture

Evangelist Janah Plummer
(Old Testament)

Elder Joseph Ward Sr.
(New Testament)

Solo

Lydia Harris

Remarks

Visiting Clergy

Acknowledgments &
Reading of Obituary

Jillian Harris

Reflections

Larry Hollingsworth, Friend
Clifton Harris Sr., Brother
Darius Harris, Son

Solo

Lady India Eadie

Eulogy

Pastor James H. Plummer Sr.
True Apostolic Church

Recessional

Clarence was a faithful member of the True Apostolic Church since its initiation in April 1990. He was under the leadership of the late Elder Dr. Charlie L. Plummer until 1999, when he handed the mantle to his son, James H. Plummer Sr., who now serves as the Senior Pastor.

Clarence is preceded in death by his parents: Clarence E. Harris Sr. and Virginia Harris; brothers: Gregory Harris and Melvin Harris. He leaves to cherish his memory, his devoted wife of 37 years, Faye Harris; five children: Clarence Harris III (Lydia), India Eadie (David Sr.), Darius Harris (Chioma), Kenard Harris Sr. (Jillian), and Korea Harris; six grandchildren: David Jr., Jael, Kenard Jr., Dawson, Nara, and Jude; two godchildren: Faye Sanders and Shenae Young; siblings, a host of other relatives, church family and friends. Dr. Harris loved too many hymns and songs to identify a single favorite but one of his favorite scriptures is Isaiah 40: 30-31- "Even the youth shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."



To My Loving Husband,

Even now, I am struggling to find words to express.

You gave me a life that many would dream of.

I watched you go to sleep, closing your eyes as the tears filled mine.

And even though my heart will miss you, there is something I want you to know.

Our time together produced the most wonderful gifts a woman could ask for.

Five beautiful children to guide me through the storm.

They are part of you with me, and for this I can smile.

I love you Clarence, my husband for almost 38 years, but my thoughts of you with Jesus will strengthen me through my tears.

Cherished Memories



Junior,

It was a shock the morning I received that phone call; I was told that the Lord had called you home to be with him. I know in this life, we all are going to take that peaceful journey one day, even though I wasn't ready for you to go, but God had another plan for you. I will miss you and I will rejoice knowing that you are in the arms of Jesus in heaven; continue to take your rest until we meet again.

Love you,
Joyce
(Sister)

My dearest brother Clarence,

From the time I knew who you were up until your passing I knew we had a special bond. I looked up to you for guidance, support, and clarity on things in general as well as our personal jokes. I had no idea when we last talked about a month ago for about 2 hours that when we ended the call telling each other that we loved one another that would be our last call. My brother even though your passing was suddenly I am at peace. I know you lived this life just to live again and in spite of me not understanding the timing one thing I know for certain that God is still faithful and makes no mistakes. I celebrate your homecoming with the Lord. I rejoice that you have run this race with patience, you have kept the faith, you have finish your course, cease from your labor and have now entered into eternal rest.

Sorrowfully submitted,
Love your sister- Sylvia