



Gerry Harris

May 13, 1951 - September 28, 2025

Gerry Mathey Harris, born on May 13, 1951, in Corsicana, Texas, passed away peacefully on September 28, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of love, faith, and cherished memories. Gerry was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend who touched the lives of all who knew him.

Gerry graduated from Corsicana High School in 1969, where he loved his high school years, especially being part of “The Lodge” group. He continued his education at Abilene Christian University from 1969 to 1973. In 1973, he moved to Dallas and began his career in banking at Valley View Bank.

A chance encounter at a softball game in 1975, made up of ACU connections, led him to meet the love of his life. On June 18, 1977, Gerry married Kay Lynn Orr, and together they embarked on a remarkable journey that lasted over 48 years. Their story was filled with love, family, and community. They initially settled in Mesquite, before moving back to Corsicana in 1981.

Gerry and Kay Lynn were blessed with two sons, Greg Austin in 1982 and Todd William in 1984. Gerry’s life in Corsicana was marked by his active involvement in the community — from his work at Corsicana National Bank, attending countless Little League baseball and soccer games, enjoying many rounds of golf, to his love of fishing. He also enjoyed his time at St. Elmo Corner Store and working at the Corsicana Tax Office.

A devout member of Westhill Church of Christ, Gerry moved his membership to Kerens Church of Christ in 2009, where he served as an elder for 15 years. His church family was his backbone, and he often expressed his gratitude after every service, saying, "we are so blessed." One of his most treasured memories was attending the "Orr Deal," his wife's family reunion and his favorite church service of the year. His life was literally saved at this service and gave him another 10 years on this earth.

Gerry was a true people person, cherishing time spent with family and friends. His unwavering faith carried him through life's ups and downs, and he finished his journey with grace and humility.

He is survived by his wife, Kay Lynn; his son, Greg Austin Harris of Dallas; his son Todd William, Courtney, and grandson James Parker Harris of Dallas; brother-in-law Roland Orr and sister-in-law Jeri Orr of Abilene; nephew Rodney and Joanna Wray of Kaufman; niece Julie Beth and Adam Fox of Arrington, TN; niece Jane and Bryan Lucas of Kaufman; and many cousins and friends who were like family to him.

Gerry was preceded in death by his parents, Rollin and Vivian Harris; sister Kathy Mitchell; and brother Mark Harris.

A visitation will be held at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home on Thursday, October 2, beginning at 12:00 p.m., with a memorial service to follow at 1:30 p.m. to celebrate his life and legacy. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Kerens Church of Christ, PO Box 6, Kerens, TX 75114.

Gerry's gentle spirit, unwavering faith, and love will be deeply missed, but his memory will forever live in our hearts.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 2. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 874-4774
info@griffin-roughton.com

Memorial Service

OCT 2. 1:30 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 874-4774
info@griffin-roughton.com

Tribute Wall

LD

“ Kay Lynn, Greg, and Todd, we know this is late, but we just found out about the loss of your beloved Gerry and our wonderful friend. We spent many hours with Gerry while he owned the St. Elmo Store, eating meals, visiting, and swapping stories about our lives (including our fireworks show every year). And we enjoyed when Kay Lynn came to the store for Fried Fish night and then we could enjoy even more stories. Your family is so special and Gerry was so proud of you all! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We send you love and warm hugs. He will be missed. Linda & George DeHaven

Linda & George DeHaven - June 13 at 03:05 PM

BM

“ Gerry and I were in the same graduating class in Corsicana . He was always an outstanding student and a great person. We also played sports together . I am proud to call him a friend . He will be missed by many !!!

Bobby Morehead - December 09, 2025 at 06:20 PM

JP

“ Kay Lynn sending prayers and hugs to you and your family!!

Janet Peterson - October 06, 2025 at 10:40 AM

AC

“ Wonderful turnout and tribute to a truly great guy



An Old Friend From CHS - October 03, 2025 at 11:32 AM

DL

“ David L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gerry Harris.

David L. - October 02, 2025 at 10:45 AM

SS

“ Sharon Stewart lit a candle in memory of Gerry Harris



Sharon Stewart - October 01, 2025 at 03:11 PM

JM

“ Kay Lynn, Greg and Todd - Thoughts and prayers to each of you. Gerry and I instantly became friends from the first day working at Corsicana National Bank. Even after we both left CNB whenever I would see Gerry we would pick up where we left off from our last meeting. I will always cherish our friendship. May God wrap his arms around all of you and comfort you in the coming days. Love, hugs and good memories. Janet K Magee

Janet K Magee - October 01, 2025 at 03:00 PM

KC

“ Gerry was a very good friend to me while we attended ACU. Kay Lynn, my heart breaks for you and your family. Praying for you to have many treasured memories!

Kara Cobb - October 01, 2025 at 02:43 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gerry Harris.

October 01, 2025 at 09:43 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gerry Harris.



October 01, 2025 at 09:43 AM

JJ

“ Kay Lynn, Greg and Todd praying for each of you to have comfort in the days ahead 🙏🙏🙏 Gerry and I have been friends since his first day at CNB. Always enjoyed coming to St Elmo to eat and visit with him and my hugs when registering vehicles and hearing about that grand baby!!! Love and hugs, ❤️❤️❤️😊😊😊🙏🙏🙏 Jaynie Johnston

Jaynie Johnston - September 30, 2025 at 05:24 PM



“ *Deborah Collins lit a candle in memory of Gerry Harris* ”



Deborah Collins - September 30, 2025 at 02:43 PM