



Ann Elizabeth Starnes Harrell

October 27, 2026 - May 12, 2008

Ann Elizabeth Starnes Harrell, age 81, of Paris died Monday, May 12, 2008 at Paris Regional Medical Center in Paris, Texas. She was born on October 27, 1926 to the late Alfred H. and Hazel Bush Starnes in Madison, Tennessee. She attended schools in Madison, graduated from Isaac Litton High School in Nashville, Tennessee and attended college at Tennessee Tech and Peabody College. Ann married William T. "Bill" Harrell on June 13, 1947 and he preceded her in death on October 24, 1983. Ann's only daughter, Melanie Marie Harrell Prince and husband, Dub, were killed in a tragic vehicle accident on April 9, 1971. She is survived by her Son & Daughter-in-law, Steve & Sue Harrell of Paris, Texas; 2 Granddaughters, Holly Ann McDougall and husband, Rick of Paris, Texas and Kelly Sue Harrell of Johnson City, Tennessee; Sister, Martha Starnes Green of Hendersonville, Tennessee along with several Nieces, Nephews, Great Nieces, Great Nephews and many loving Cousins scattered across the United States. Ann was a musician from age 4 and played piano and organ until her death. In 1955, she and Bill moved their family to El Paso, Texas. In 1965, they moved to Weatherford, Texas and then in 1970, they moved to Paris, Texas where she resided until her death. She worked many hours as a volunteer for the Red Cross as well as Hospital Auxiliaries in Texas and Tennessee, logging over 6000 volunteer hours. She organized the auxiliary at Weatherford Hospital, serving as President for 2 years. She owned and operated Ann's Prowlin' Store on North Main for 10 ½ years, later retiring after working at McCuiston Hospital. She was a

member of the First United Methodist Church in Paris, a former member of Paris Rodeo and Horse Club and the Paris Golf and Country Club.

Memorial services have been set for 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, 2008 at the Starrett Funeral Home Chapel in Paris with Rev. Ray Starnes and Rev. Van Lazaroff officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Caudle-Rutledge Funeral Home in Lindale, Texas. A Memorial Service will be held June 16, 2008 at 2:00 P.M. at the City Road Chapel United Methodist Church in Madison, TN with private interment to be held in the Nashville National Cemetery where she will be buried alongside her husband of 37 ½ years. If desired, memorials may be made to City Road Chapel United Methodist Church in Madison, Tennessee or to the First United Methodist Church in Paris, Texas.

Many thanks are extended to Dr. Bert Strom and the many doctors, nurses and EMT personnel who very lovingly attended and cared for her throughout the years.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ann Elizabeth Starnes Harrell*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Ann Elizabeth Starnes Harrell*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *I moved to Paris my senior year of HS with my parents and had to have a job for DECA. I can remember walking into Ann’s Prowlin’s Store and meeting Ann like it was yesterday! No application just who I was and who were my parents etc.... and then told me I could start the next day! Ann was sassy and Bill was dry and both of them were sincere, witty, giving, funny to the point of tears and bubbling over with some of the most unconditional Love I’ve ever known. They were without a doubt two of my favorite people and I will cherish my memories of them for the rest of my life! As Ann would say at the end of the day...."Dwayne, Let’s shut this sucker down and go to the house!"##imported-begin##Dwayne D. Green##imported-end##*

August 18, 2008 at 06:18 AM



“ *She was a fine person and I know her final destination will be to see the Lord in that great city.##imported-begin##Don Corn##imported-end##*

June 15, 2008 at 07:24 AM



“ She was a very kind, thoughtful lady that use to let my sister Robin and I skate all over her store. She always had the BEST grab bags. I will always remember her!! Much Love.##imported-begin##Heather Roden Parris##imported-end##

June 09, 2008 at 08:38 PM



“ Holly,
We are thinking of you at this time of your loss of your grandmother. You and your family are in our Prayers.
Love in Christ,
Linsey (Williamson) Parson and Family##imported-begin##Lonny & Linsey Parson##imported-end##

May 20, 2008 at 01:46 PM



“ Dear Steve and family,
I had the opportunity and pleasure of working for your mother(Delta Home Health). When I first started there (3) years ago she was my first client- what a joy- to come to her home and listen to the stories of her, husband and children. And all the people she's known for years or the stores she's traded with for years. She too had the pleasure of meeting my son and daughter, we called her Grandma Ann- we loved her so much. We exchanged receipes and talk and talk, til time to go to the mailbox, she would get excited cause someone would have sent her a greeting card. She'll be missed. Our condolences to you and your family##imported-begin##Glynese Cooper##imported-end##

May 18, 2008 at 10:56 AM



“ I work for Delta Home Health Care and have cared for Ann for 3 years. She is the best person in the world. I have stayed up long hours talking to her on the phone and would take the family by on weekends to spend time with her. I love her deeply. She has always been like a grandmother to me and my family. She always sent cards to all of us for birthdays and Christmas. I would call her up and we would give each other recipies. She always told me that she would make me a cook book so when something like this ever happened I would have somethng of hers. I just wanted to let you as her son that you have the best mother ever and I love her with everything I have. May God bless you all for youe loss. I know that she is so happy because that is all she could talk about is going back home to TN.##imported-begin##Lillian Watkins##imported-end##

May 15, 2008 at 10:16 AM



“ I worked for Ann and Bill ar palace Drug, they were like family to me. I will always remember the good times we had during the Sunday sales.
I recently went by to see Ann and she was just like the old days.Wish I could be there for the Memorial service.##imported-begin##Randy Puckett##imported-end##

May 15, 2008 at 09:37 AM



“ I worked with Mr. and Mrs. Harrell at Palace Drug Store for about 11 years. I had only been working in the pharmacy for a month in November, 1973 when my mother had a stroke. Mr. and Mrs. Harrell gave me an advance on my paycheck so that I could have money available before my next check and begin to buy Christmas presents. They were always supportive of the people that worked at the drug store. I remember that Mrs. Harrell worked in the office and it was always handled efficiently. Mr. Harrell did not like the “Blue Laws” when only certain items could be bought on Sundays. He would complain that you could buy alcohol to drink, but not a diaper for your baby. My mother passed away in 2001. I was touched by the fact that Mrs. Harrell sent me a sympathy card telling me that she had always thought a lot of my mother. I called her and we talked for about an hour or so reliving our days at the drug store. I told her that it meant a lot to me that she sent the card and still remembered friends in this way. She was a special person and will be greatly missed. My prayers are with her family.##imported-begin##Kaye Boren##imported-end##

May 15, 2008 at 08:24 AM



“ I was deeply saddened to learn today of the loss of Mrs. Harrell. As a former employee of the Harrells at the Palace Drug during my high school years, I grew to cherish their guidance, love, and friendship. Mrs. Harrel was like a second mother, and she will be truly missed. Recently, Mrs. Harrell called me several times during the loss of my parents, and her kind words and encouragement were truly a blessing to me. I offer my condolences to her family.##imported-begin##Duwane Mathews##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 10:09 PM



“ A Friend And A Neighbor##imported-begin##John Ingram & Doris Moffitt##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 05:34 PM



“ Dear Steve, Sue, Holly and Kelly,
Where do I begin. Ann and Bill were dear friends of my our family dating back to The Prowlin' Place and Palace Drug! That friendship continued and was even rekindled when my mother moved 'across the parking lot' from Ann in 1994-95 in the Pshigoda Apts. Those two women could talk, and talk, and talk for hours. While each of their kids and grandkids were the usual topic, NOTHING was off limits!!! The love those two ladies shared for each other was mirrored in so many ways with kind deeds done or said. They enjoyed an endearing friendship. Ann suffers no more and I can't help but smile knowing that. You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Derald, Lesa, DJ and Haley Bulls##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 03:42 PM



“ I was an everyday customer of Ann's when she had Ann's Prowling Store here in Paris. We was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed. God bless you all.##imported-begin##Annell Fuller##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 02:13 PM