



## Lewis "Jim" Harris

May 23, 1920 - January 2, 2011

KOONTZ LAKE-Lewis "Jim" Harris, 90, passed away Sunday, January 2, 2011 in Hospice House, South Bend, Indiana. Mr. Harris was born May 23, 1920 in Elkhart, IN to Frank and Iva (Crowder) Harris. On May 6, 1939 in Elkhart, he was married to the former Bettie L. Eckhart, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Linda Clark of Guilford, IN and Luana (Frank) Simpkins of Clearwater, FL; two sons, Terry (Nancy) Harris of Koontz Lake and Roger (Helen) Harris of Indianapolis; eleven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Fred and Walter Harris and one great-grandson. Mr. Harris was a retired employee of Delhi Foundry Sand of Cincinnati, OH. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII, serving on the USS Rushmore. He was a member of the Koontz Lake Missionary Church and the Masonic Lodge #17 of Wauchula, FL.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) at Porter Rae Cemetery, North Liberty, Indiana. There will be no visitation. Memorial contributions may be given to the Koontz Lake Missionary Church, 8044 N. State Road 23, Walkerton, IN 46574 or The Center For Hospice and Palliative Care, 112 S. Center St., Plymouth, IN 46563. Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel is handling arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“What a sad last couple of mths for us. You are now with my Frankie and that is a comforting thought. I remember playing golf with you and grandma, it sure was a lot of fun, great memories. May God continue to be with us through these difficult times, I rely on him a great deal Grandma and find some comfort, I know you will too. Hug my Frankie Grandpa and tell him how much I love and miss him. I know you'll hear this alot grandma but you have my number if you need me, call. Love you both. Robin

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**Robin Harris** - April 29, 2018 at 08:19 PM

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“We made family trips to Wauchula all of the time. When I was a kid, Grandpa used to greet me saying, "Hi-ya Chester ol'top. Glad to see you back. It's been ears and ears, but I still nose ya." As he said it, he would pat my head, then my back, then grab my ears & noes. I would just laugh & ask him to do it again & again. Another fond memory was grandpa's attempt to teach me the great game of golf. I must have been 8 or 9 years old."Just remember,dad. Travis is left handed." Mom said .Grandpa was known for making his own golf clubs & was good at it too. One year, he made me a whole set of left-handed golf clubs. On one of our visits to their house, he took me on the side yard & had me hit a few balls with the new clubs. I couldn't swing the clubs straight for the life of me. It just wasn't comforatble to swing this way. He was baffled. He must of thought I was the most unathletic kid he's ever seen. He almost gave up when he thought to try one last thing. He went into his workshop of a shed & pulled out a right-handed club."See if you can swing this club", he says. I took one swing & hit the ball square off of the tee."I'll be damned", he said. It turned out that I was left-handed but I swing right-handed. I love you Grandpa & miss you dearly.

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**Travis Simpkins** - April 29, 2018 at 08:19 PM

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“ *with a loss of a love one, there are so many things that go through our minds..  
but remember he is now walking with god, and has reunited with all the family and friends that were waitng on him... my prayers are with the family at this time,  
and for always....*

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**gloria thompson** - April 29, 2018 at 08:19 PM

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“ *Bettie--We were shocked to read about Jim's death in the local newspaper. We have so many fond memories of both of you, and we miss seeing your smiling faces in church. Please know you and your family are in our thoughts, and we pray for God's strength and peace for you. We love you.  
Charles and Penny Nicholson*

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**Charles and Penny Nicholson** - April 29, 2018 at 08:19 PM