



Rev. Harry N. Collins

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Rev. Harry N. Collins, Jr., age 82, of Lewes, DE passed away on Wednesday, October 22, 2014 after a long battle with lung cancer at Cadbury at Lewes. He was born on July 27, 1932 in Camden, NJ, son of the late Harry N. Sr. and Edith (Mills) Collins.

Rev. Harry graduated from Glassboro State College at Glassboro, NJ, from which he received his Bachelor's and Master's degree. He served his country proudly in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged.

On March 29, 1954, he married Joan Beauchamp. Rev. Harry would become a Mason and as a result a member of the Scottish Rite Consistory in Collingswood, NJ.

Starting in 1958, he worked as an elementary school teacher in Medford Lakes, NJ.

From 1969 to 1994, Rev. Harry worked at the Clearview Regional Junior High in Gloucester County, NJ as a Teacher. In 1969, Rev. Harry became an Episcopal Minister serving in the New Jersey area, until he retired to Lewes, DE in 2004. Rev. Harry and Joan were summer residents in Joy Beach, DE starting in 1976 and became permanent residents in 2004, before moving to Cadbury at Lewes in 2013.

Rev. Harry is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Joan B. Collins; children: Harry S. Collins and his wife Mari of Papillion, NE, Brenda Culbert and her husband Jim of Mt. Wolf, PA and Kevin Collins and his companion Kay Cashman of Stafford, VA; a brother, Bruce Collins and his wife Carrie of Morton, PA; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2014, at 11:00 AM at St. George's Episcopal Chapel, 20274 Beaver Dam Road at Route 23, Harbeson, DE 19951, where friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow the Services at the adjacent All Saints Churchyard.



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Memorial contributions may be made to American Lung Association of Delaware, 630 Churchmans Road, Newark, DE 19702 or St. George's Episcopal Chapel, 20274 Beaver Dam Road, Harbeson, DE 19951.

Please sign Rev. Harry's guestbook located on this site.

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Tribute Wall

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AA

Andrea Patterson (Alexander) posted:

Rev. Collins was a teacher of mine at Clearview (1986-1990). What a wonderful, compassionate human being. My deepest sympathies to his family (sorry, I am just seeing this).

February 3 at 8:00 PM

SM

Sharon Markowski posted:

MR. Collins was a great person he was my favorite teacher ,he helped me with my problems, no-matter what they were he gave me great advise. He will be missed. May you rest in peace , you are loved,

November 3 at 8:00 PM

JB

June And Connie Bowers posted:

Joan,Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We have fond memories of our Baltic Sea cruise with you in 2005 and have thought of you often since then.

November 1 at 8:00 PM

SS

Susan Sisco posted:

So sorry for the loss of a dear friend -- thinking of all of the Collins Family at this time. I am very sorry that I couldn't be there.

November 1 at 8:00 PM

TH

Ted,Beth, Matthew And Nicole Hoppe posted:

Mr. Collins we will always remember the many wonderful conversations on your porch in Joy Beach. We will miss you.

October 31 at 8:00 PM

GD

George And Martha Daebeler posted:

Harry, we will miss you. You have been an inspiration to us through your kindness and support. Your generous service to the Joy Beach Community will be remembered.

October 31 at 8:00 PM



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BM

Barbara Mccall posted:

Thank you Father Collins, for so many fond memories of St. Stephens. Thank you for providing guidance to those you touched by living a true Christian life. Thank you for your practical understanding and spiritual guidance. May you be blessed as you have blessed the lives of others.

October 30 at 8:00 PM

CO

Collins posted:

Rest in peace Uncle Harry. May the peace of the Lord be with all those who loved you. You will be missed greatly. With Much Love, Victoria

October 29 at 8:00 PM

JR

Joyce Ronketty posted:

Whenever I reflect on earlier years when I needed that "calm and closer to God" feeling, you were a part of that picture...from your genuine smile and welcoming hand to your fun stories of ghosts in the Rectory. You have always been there for me, if not in the physical sense....then in the spiritual one! I will remember you with fondness always. Heartfelt sympathy to Joan and family. Joyce and Bob Ronketty Tonawanda, NY 14150E

October 26 at 8:00 PM

PS

Paul B. Showers posted:

My deepest sympathies to Mrs. Collins and family. I was taught by Rev. Collins at Clearview and enjoyed his sense of community in Mullica Hill. I'm confident he prepared you in life for his passing but I'm equally sure it is a difficult time now for all of you. May God bless each of you as you journey through the coming days and remember the wonderful life we have now given up to God.

October 25 at 8:00 PM

LJ

Lodema Waring Jenkins posted:

Harry was such a kind and thoughtful person whom I was honored to call my friend at Clearview. My thoughts and prayers to all who mourn him.

October 24 at 8:00 PM



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MH

Mr. And Mrs. John W. Hood posted:

We appreciate the years of love and respect our two families have enjoyed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love to all.

October 24 at 8:00 PM

RE

Rev William Elliott posted:

We loved Rev Collins but God loved him best and has called him from labor to reward. We the Elliott family will pray the God will bless you and keep you. Rev. William Elliott

October 24 at 8:00 PM

GM

Gladys Mccolgan posted:

I worked with Harry at CMS main office. At that time he was dealing with students in ISS. Harry handled the students with the gentleness that would only come from him. My sincerest sympathy and prayersto the family.

October 23 at 8:00 PM

DS

Duffy Stannard posted:

Rest in peace Harry! You were the closest thing to a big brother I've ever had!! I think Dad & (Pop)& Mom are waiting for you!a

October 23 at 8:00 PM

DK

David G. Kelk posted:

Harry was a great man who was always willing to help those in need. I had the honor of working closely with Harry on student management issues for several years before he retired. He truly cared about "kids". My thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

October 23 at 8:00 PM

JS

Joe Sullivan posted:

I worked where Harry taught for many years. He was a great person and always was kind and helpful to the other teachers. He always would tell me to "Keep the Lid On."

October 23 at 8:00 PM



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JB

Judith Bundy posted:

I would like to give my condolences to the family. I thought a lot of Father Collins as my teacher at Clearview. As well as a resident of Mullica Hill. My prayers are with you.

October 22 at 8:00 PM

AA

Ann Ameigh posted:

Fr. Harry was a wonderful, warm and spiritual person who gave a great deal to each of us as his congregants. His stories of life and relationships always brought new insight into a personal relationship with God.

October 22 at 8:00 PM

JB

Jeffrey Bono posted:

Your Spirit will always live on at CRJHS . God Bless You Father Collins may you R.I.P.

October 22 at 8:00 PM

MK

Mary Lee Kelly posted:

I will never forget your friendly always smiling face in our hallways at CRHS. You touched so many lives in so many ways. May you be at Peace in Gods loving arms and Heavenly home.

October 22 at 8:00 PM

SP

Susan Parsons posted:

Rest in peace Father Collins. God bless your family and friends.

October 22 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Harry by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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