



## Mary Beth Harrah

May 22, 1984 - September 8, 2017

Mary Elizabeth Winter Harrah, 33 of Nitro passed away on September 8, 2017.

Mary Beth was a daughter born to Mary Francis Ellison Johnson and John Howard Winter in Oklahoma City, OK on May 22, 1984. She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents Harry and Katherine Ellison and paternal grandparents Ruben and Mildred Winter.

She was an English and creative writing teacher at Nitro High School and member of Teays Valley Presbyterian Church. She loved camping, cooking, gardening, reading, and mostly playing with her boys.

Mary Beth is survived by her precious family her husband Tony Harrah; sons Julian Anthony, Daniel Emerson and Ellison Fredrick Harrah; father John Howard Winter; mother Mary Frances Ellison Johnson; sister Rebecca Winter and her daughter Jaida Grace; half-sister Amy Burdick; cousins: Ahminda, Emily, Robbie, David, Beth, Stacy, Jennifer, Sarah, Jessica, Clayton, Keith and Kevin; mother-in-law, Dianne Harrah, brother-in-law, Justin Harrah, special close friend Emily Langston and many loving aunts, uncles and several cousins.

A Memorial service to honor Mary Beth will be held 5:00 pm Thursday

September 14, 2017 at Nitro High School Auditorium, 1300 Park Avenue,  
Nitro.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the memorial service at the school.

Mary Beth's boys were the most important people in her life, keeping them in mind, donations are encouraged to the Harrah Boys Education Fund, c/o Chase Bank Account # will be posted soon.

You may share memories of Mary Beth on her tribute page by visiting  
[ChapmanFuneralHomes.com](http://ChapmanFuneralHomes.com)

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 3941 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane is honored to serve the Harrah family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **14.** 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Nitro High School Auditorium  
1330 Park Avenue  
Nitro, WV 25143

## Memorial Service

SEP **14.** 5:00 PM (ET)

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1330 Park Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Beth Harrah*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *The West Virginia and Kanawha County Associations of Retired School Employees extend their sincere sympathy to you, the family, in your sorrow. Blessings to all.*

**Kanawha Co. Retired School Employees** - September 16, 2017 at 07:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.*



September 14, 2017 at 12:49 PM



“ *Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Mary Beth Harrah*



**Jennifer** - September 14, 2017 at 12:34 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.



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September 13, 2017 at 09:11 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.



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September 13, 2017 at 04:41 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.



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September 13, 2017 at 11:35 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.



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September 13, 2017 at 09:00 AM

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“ *Our sincere condolences and prayers for your family. May God bless you all and give you peace and strength during this sorrowful time. Heaven has gained a beautiful angel in Mary Beth. For those left behind it is a heartbreaking, though temporary loss. Seek comfort in knowing that she will continue to watch over her children from above, is with you all in spirit, and that you will be reunited with Mary Beth on the day that God chooses to bring each of you home to be with him.*



*Sincerely,*

*William D. Park & Family  
Hurricane, WV*

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**William "Doug" Park** - September 13, 2017 at 08:16 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.*



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September 12, 2017 at 10:51 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.*



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September 11, 2017 at 10:43 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Beth Harrah.



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September 11, 2017 at 08:37 PM



“ The definition of Mother, Wife, Teacher, Daughter, Sister and Friend is Mary Beth Harrah. No words can ease the pain her family is going through but please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.



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**Kathy and Ed Westfall** - September 10, 2017 at 07:20 PM



*I had the privilege of being MaryBeth's teacher and volleyball coach at HCS and she was beautiful inside and out. Praying for the family, may He bring the peace that passes all understanding. Hugs!*

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**Kristi Homan** - September 11, 2017 at 08:41 PM



*My heart goes out to all of you, and for your beloved Mary Beth. There are no words adequate to express the depth of your shock and grief, and, likewise, no words can fully convey the full extent of sympathy and sorrow that I feel for her and all of you, especially for her darling little boys, now bereft of their loving Mommy. May our blessed Lord, our Saviour and Comforter, lift you and hold you close in His great, loving arms in the days, the years, ahead.*

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**Rebecca Walker Wright** - September 11, 2017 at 11:21 PM



*So very sad to hear this news of a very special woman. May she rest in peace with Jesus.*

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**Laura Geigle** - September 12, 2017 at 06:15 AM

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*Mary Beth was such a kind person. She will be missed by many.  
Praying for peace and comfort for her family. Rest In Peace Mary Beth*

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**Marsha and Don Craig** - September 12, 2017 at 11:19 AM