



## John Harris Jr.

March 16, 1953 - January 23, 2023

John Harris Jr., 69, of Jonesboro, GA passed on Monday January 23, 2023. Celebration of Life Services will be held on Monday January 30, 11 AM at Christian Fellowship BC, College Park, GA. Visitation will be on Sunday January 29, from 2-5 PM. Interment Forest Lawn Cemetery College Park. Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes and Crematory Inc. 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway Decatur, GA 30034 (404) 241-5656.

<https://vimeo.com/event/2827979>

### The Obituary

“For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, and I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.” (II Timothy 4: 6-8) KJV

John Harris, Jr, was born on March 16, 1953 in Columbia, South Carolina. He was the son of the late John Harris Sr., and Mary Jane Bush Harris of Hopkins, South Carolina.

John was educated in the public schools of Richland County. He was a 1971 graduate of Hopkins High School. John excelled in athletics and was a member of the football and track teams. John enlisted into the United States Air Force in the Fall of 1971.

One year later John married his high school sweetheart, Brenda Loretta Ladson. They later added to this union two children: a son, John III, affectionately known as “John John”, and a daughter, Janna LeVisha.

After completion of his military service, John returned home and enrolled in South Carolina State College. Intrigued by math and science, John graduated with honors from South Carolina State College with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. John’s strong work ethic allowed him to be recruited after graduation in the corporate world by Proctor & Gamble. Later he accepted a position in Civil Engineering at Robins Air Force Base. During his time at Robins he worked on extensive, multimillion dollar projects.

Not only was John determined to excel in his career, but he worked diligently with Brenda as she pursued her dream in building a business. He provided substantial technological support while securing the family finances. Thereby, allowing the business to expand and relocate to Macon and later expand to Metro Atlanta. John was instrumental in the growth and development of the Metro Atlanta company’s success. Later on John returned to work fulltime in the Civil Engineering division at Dobbins Air Reserve Base in Marietta, Georgia. John worked with programs and methodologies consistently. After 29 years of federal service, John retired December 31, 2019.

John had numerous interests to which he was dedicated to such as: an active SCSU alumni member; volunteer poll worker; a bowler, and an avid bicyclist member for Level Up Cycling Club. Also, he enjoyed playing with drones and

remote control cars with his grandsons, Jaylen and Dallas. His children were surrounded by his supporting deeds during their youth. He enjoyed being a band booster parent, traveling, and Father support of Jack and Jill of America.

John wanted to be remembered as a humble, Christ loving and a disciplined example for his family.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

5755 Mallory Rd  
College Park, Ga

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **29**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656

## Celebration of Life (Mask Required)

JAN **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christian Fellowship Baptist Church  
1500 Norman Rd  
College Park, GA 30349

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ *My condolences and deepest sympathies to the Harris Family. I never meet John but heard all good things from his son-n-love. Also, I have the pleasure of knowing his daughter Janni who is a beautiful spirit no doubt she is a reflection of her father.*

*Marland and Argeon McWilson.*

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**Marland** - February 01, 2023 at 05:22 PM

AD

“ *Sending comfort and prayers to the family, April Durant and family*



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**April Durant** - January 30, 2023 at 10:56 AM

BG

“ *Sending you love and light during this dark time. Rest in Peace and in Power Uncle John.*

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**Bryan Greene** - January 30, 2023 at 10:38 AM

ER

“ *To the family of John Harris Jr. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, may the love of Lord give you strength and peace in the loss of your loved one. With deepest sympathy, Eva and Jennifer Robinson*

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**Eva and Jennifer Robinson** - January 29, 2023 at 10:48 AM

JM

“ Brenda, it was with great Sorrow 😞 when we the Jeffcoat family heard the news of John passing! We are Praying 🙏🙏🙏 for you and ur family ... we know that He is with the Lord 😊 and in that great cloud of witnesses who are watching over Us.... Just know we will always Love you'll !!!!

Jeffcoat Melva - January 27, 2023 at 10:49 PM

SP

Janna I send my love and hugs to you and your family during this time of sadness. Keep the memories of your Dad in your heart. I miss your laughter!!❤️ Mrs. Pye

Sandra Pye - January 29, 2023 at 06:44 AM

WS

Earth has no sorrows that heaven cannot heal. William Swinton and family.

William Swi - January 29, 2023 at 06:13 PM

BG

The Zion Benevolent Baptist Church, Hopkins, SC family and friends extends our deepest sympathy, condolences, and love to the Family of Mr. John Harris, whom we will miss dearly. Always Loved, Forever Missed, and Never Forgotten!!! Please be encouraged, Sister Brenda Goodwin, SCSU 1979.

Brenda J. Goodwin - January 30, 2023 at 09:20 AM

MS

To my family, my heart is sadden by the lost of my cousin. Husband of Brenda, father to their children, John Harris, Jr. please know that he is in the loving arms of Jesus. Memories are precious and I know you have many. John will always be with you in your hearts. 💕💕💕  
Maurice & Thelma Sanders

Maurice & Thelma Sanders - January 30, 2023 at 12:01 PM

GJ

“ *To the family of John Harris, words cannot really express the heart felt sadness we feel in hearing of John passing. He is in God's hands now, Be strong in knowing that he is now this the Lord*

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**Georgia Jackson** - January 26, 2023 at 08:47 PM