

OBITUARIES

Loy Haskard Harris

1936-2026

Loy Haskard Harris, 89, died peacefully at home on May 25, 2026. He was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on July 23, 1936, the firstborn son of the late Loy E. Harris Jr. and Edith (Haskard) Harris, who gave him names from their respective families. He is survived by



Colleen Harris, Loy's beloved wife of 45 years and the mother of his stepdaughter, Karen Harris, Loy's ex-wife and the mother of his children, Sally McClellan, Loy's sister, and her husband Jack, David Harris, Loy's brother, and his wife Christine, Kelly Fanelli, Loy's daughter and her companion, John, Loy James Harris, Loy's son, and his wife Shelley, Elizabeth Bellande, Loy's stepdaughter, and her husband Philippe, seven grandchildren and step-grandchildren and one great-grandchild with another due in July.

Johnny Cash's "I've Been Everywhere" could have been the theme song of Loy's life. His father's profession as an exploration geologist required frequent family relocations. As a result, from the time of Loy's birth until the family settled in Basin, Wyoming, when he was ten years old, Loy had lived in nineteen different towns in eight different states. The family then remained in Basin, but after graduating from Basin High School as valedictorian of his seventeen-member class, Loy resumed his roving ways. First, he went to the University of Wyoming, where he picked up another town, Laramie, along with a Bachelor of Science degree (with honor) in Engineering. He then embarked on a 35-year career with Exxon Corporation and its affiliates. While with Exxon, he lived and/or worked in an additional ten towns and cities in five new states in the US, together with two Native American Reservations. His Exxon career also took him overseas, where he added twelve towns in seven foreign countries (Libya, Venezuela,

Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Syria, the Yemen Arab Republic and Colombia). He ended his Exxon career as President and Chief Operating Officer of the company's affiliate in Colombia, where he was responsible for what at the time was the world's largest open-pit export coal mine, complete with its own railroad and port facilities.

In response to a perceived call from God, Loy retired from Exxon and went to Duke Divinity School, adding a new town and state, Durham, North Carolina, to his list. He was graduated from Duke with a Master of Divinity degree (magna cum laude), and subsequently was ordained an Elder in the United Methodist Church. He spent the next six years serving in pastoral ministry at Bethany UMC in Houston, Texas.

He then retired again, and moved with Colleen to Belchertown (another new town and state). He still wasn't finished; while living in Belchertown, he worked as a pastor to small churches in two northern Massachusetts towns.

By the time of his death, he had lived and/or worked in a total of forty-six towns and cities, fifteen states, two Reservations, and seven foreign countries. Along the way, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus of the University of Wyoming and a Member of the University's College of Engineering Hall of Fame.

He died confident and grateful because he trusted that by the grace of God his sins, though many, were forgiven, and the best of life was still to come.

A memorial service for Loy will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2026 at 11:30 am at Grace Episcopal Church, 14 Boltwood Ave., Amherst, MA.

In lieu of flowers, charitable contributions can be made to Grace Episcopal Church, 14 Boltwood Ave., Amherst, MA 01002, Clapp Memorial Library, 19 South Main Street, Belchertown, MA 01007, or to the charity of one's choice.

formal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 06/04/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampshire Probate and Family Court
Docket No. HS26P0307EA
Estate of:
Kenneth Brown Alves
Date of Death: January 05, 2026
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Dorothy E. McKeon of Weatogue, CT.**

Dorothy E. McKeon of Weatogue, CT has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under in-

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by **Brian M Foy of**

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Sandra Ann Hart

1936-2026

Sandra Ann Hart, born Sandra Ann Bell, passed away on April 29, 2026. Sandra, known in her youth as Sandy, was born on November 11, 1936 in Woodbridge, Connecticut to Howard Harold Bell and Hilda King Bell. She is survived by her three children, April Leslie Hart, Stephanie Alexandra Hart, and Matthew Allan Hart and his wife Kate Hart, as well as her five grandchildren, Hannah, Josh and Wayde Hart, and Cole and Simone Nelson.



As a kid, Sandra was a bit of a wild child who enjoyed playing in the woods of Woodbridge and spending time at her parents' diner, the Blue Check. She attended high school in New Haven, CT, where she later met and married Allan Huntley Hart. The two moved to Sydney, Australia, where Sandra worked and supported her husband through veterinary school. After returning to the United States, they had their first child, April, in 1963. Sandra battled cancer,

undergoing experimental chemotherapy in Bethesda, Maryland, and then had two more children, Stephanie in 1968 and Matthew in 1970.

In the years that followed, Sandra learned how to pilot a small airplane, moved with her family to Hawaii for a time, took college courses, studied piano, learned to draw, and was a dedicated mother, engaging her children in enriching activities and making special occasions all the more special by,

for example, baking a giant cookie in the shape of a favorite dinosaur. After her divorce, Sandra moved with her children to Shutesbury, Massachusetts, where she worked, parented, and finished her undergraduate degree at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Her cumulative study earned her a degree with three full majors—philosophy, biology and creative writing.

Sandra worked as a reporter, an administrative assistant and a mail carrier for the United States Postal Service, where she served as union steward.

Debra L. Slate

It is with heavy hearts and much sadness that we announce the passing of Debra L. Slate. Beloved Mom, cherished sister-cousin-friend. Deb left this earthly life with family by her side on January 24, 2026 after a hard fought battle. Brought up in Chicopee, she was the daughter of Roland (Buddy) and Lillian (LaPine) Slate. Deb built a life in Belchertown for herself and The Light of Her Life and Best Friend, her son J.C. Deb earned an Associates Degree in Business from STCC and fulfilling a lifelong passion of service to others, worked for over 50 years with special needs mentally challenged clients in a variety of settings.



Deb will be remembered as a loving mother and cherished friend to many, whose heartfelt presence and kindness enriched the lives of those around her. Deb will be greatly missed by her loving son, J.C.-James Snodgrass, Gunner, her faithful dog and Lily, her cat, all with whom she lived along with her sister, Cynthia Ulmer of Port St. Lucie, FL, many cherished cousins and friends, two of whom she called her "daughter", Casey Gamache and her "second son", Greg Ely.

Deb had a very special crafting talent admired by all, creating many beautiful handmade items even doing so from her hospital bed. Deb's happy place

She battled two more cancers before her retirement in the 1990s, after which she started a dog walking business. This last part of her working life afforded her the opportunity to lovingly care for many dogs, cats, chickens and turkeys, and to develop relationships with their owners, which she very much valued.

Sandra was deeply concerned about the environment, and was a staunch supporter of the women's rights movement and of animal rights. She favored the small flowers and birdsong of New England, and particularly loved the spring, when all of the natural world is erupting in beauty. She kept a garden, at first a neat and orderly one, and later a bountiful, unruly one. She loved nature and wild animals, and she provided shelter and love to many cats and dogs who found their way to her.

Sandra was a loving and thoughtful woman. Her smile when she laughed was a thing of beauty. Sandra passed away in her sleep at the age of 89 in Amherst, Massachusetts. She will be sorely missed.

The family intends to hold a memorial service for Sandra sometime in the coming year.

and solace when away from home was spending time at Queen Lake with the "Gal Pals", Robin, Barb and Paula or taking in the sights and sounds at the ocean. Those who knew Deb recognized what an amazing woman she was. A quiet presence yet a staunch advocate for all the special people that brought so much joy to her life including a huge love of animals.

Rest in peace now our dear friend. We love you!

A memorial service will be held on June 13 at 9 a.m. at the Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home with burial to follow in South Cemetery. In lieu of flowers and fulfilling Deb's love for animals, donations can be made to the Belchertown Police Department K-9 Unit, 70 State St., PO Box 901, Belchertown, MA 01007

DEATH NOTICES

Harris, Loy Haskard
Died May 25, 2026
Memorial service
June 13, 2026 at 11:30 a.m.
Grace Episcopal Church,
14 Boltwood Ave., Amherst
Beers & Story Belchertown

Hart, Sandra Ann
Died April 29, 2026
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Died Jan. 24, 2026
Memorial services
June 13, 2026 at 9 a.m.
Beers & Story Belchertown

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Hampshire Division
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampshire Probate and Family Court
15 Atwood Drive
Northampton, MA 01060
(413) 586-8500
Docket No. HS25P0349EA
Estate of:
Kevin James Foy
Date of Death: 03/11/2025
CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by **Brian M Foy of**

Southampton, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/24/2026.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the

return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. **Diana S. Velez Harris**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 21, 2026

Mark S Ames
Register of Probate
06/04/2026

LEGAL NOTICE
T-Mobile is proposing the installation of a diesel generator on an existing concrete pad to support existing antennas at 105-ft AGL on an existing 115-ft AGL overall water tank located at 28 Park Street, within the City of Belchertown, within Hampshire County, Massachusetts (Property ID: 243-67). T-Mobile seeks comments from all interested persons on any potential significant impact the proposed action could have on the quality of the

human environment pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1307, including potential impacts to historic or cultural resources that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Please submit any written comments within 30 days of this notice's publication regarding the potential effects that the proposed project may have on Historic Properties that are listed or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places to: TEP OpCo, LLC. (Attn: Ryan Malek) 326 Tryon Road, Raleigh, NC 27603 Telephone: (919) 661-6351 Fax: (919) 661-6350
06/04/2026

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