



Rev. Roger Harris

August 21, 1951 - December 18, 2019
Of Walworth

Roger Dale Harris was born August 21, 1951 in De Queen, Arkansas to Arlis and Flora (Mounts) Harris. He passed away on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at Lakeland Medical Center in Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

Roger was proud of the fact he was raised "Southern Old School", being taught respect for all of people. He was a hard worker, starting at a young age and continuing throughout his life. He graduated from De Queen High School in 1969, serving as class president both junior and senior year. He then went on to college cementing his love of baseball, playing all four years, earning degrees in Physical Education and English. He planned to be a high school baseball coach, which he did, winning a league championship in his first year. He soon realized it's tough to make a living on a high school baseball coach's salary. Roger became Rev. Roger on April 29, 1984. He preached and pastored at four churches in Arkansas for 19 years. During that time he received several awards for his work with the youth of the community, he worked as a counselor at a juvenile holding facility and founded what would become the largest high school Fellowship of Christian Athletes in Arkansas. During this time he also was involved with working with the United States Marshals office working under cover trying to help the local drug problem in southwest Arkansas. This eventually caused his relocation to Wisconsin, where he served as the Pastor of Immanuel United Church of Christ in Walworth for just over 8 years. Roger was an avid Cubs fan, being lucky enough to see his Cubs win the World Series. Go Cubs Go!

Pastor Roger is survived by his daughter Helena Harris; grandchildren Madalynn and Trace Bramlett; his sister Vicki (Robert) Peek from Arkansas; his special companion Brenda Wenger as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He will be missed by many people both in Wisconsin and Arkansas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Jewell (Thomason); and daughter Amanda Harris.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, December 28 at 12:00 PM at Immanuel United Church of Christ, 111 Fremont St., Walworth. The family will be receiving friends at church from 10:00 AM until the time of service.

Memorial contributions may be given to Immanuel United Church of Christ, 111 Fremont St., Walworth, WI 53184

For more information call the funeral home at 262-275-2171.