

# Remembering Kathy

Kathleen "Kathy" Harper, 74, of Yantis, Texas, was born September 24, 1951, in Houston, Texas, to Leroy Clarady Sr. and Alleen May. She departed this life on March 14, 2026, in Tyler, Texas, peacefully leaving her earthly body behind to enter her eternal home. Kathy was at peace, and her family finds comfort in knowing she is resting in the presence of the Lord.

Kathy worked for many years as a bookkeeper and accounting manager. On April 20, 1985, she married Willard Harper, in Houston, Texas. Together they shared many years of marriage and built a life centered around faith, family, and the outdoors.

Eleven years ago, Kathy and Willard moved to the Yantis and Lake Fork area from Boerne, where they quickly became part of the community. She was a faithful member of Lake Fork Baptist Church and was deeply involved in the church's Feed My Sheep community outreach program, where she enjoyed serving others and helping those in need.

Kathy loved being outdoors and especially loved fishing. She was an avid angler who enjoyed fishing for crappie and bass and was a former member of the Lake Fork Lady Anglers. In addition to fishing, she also enjoyed playing golf and pickleball. More than anything, Kathy treasured time spent with her family, and her grandchildren who lovingly knew her as "Nana."

Kathy is preceded in death and reunited in Heaven with her parents and one brother, Leroy Clarady Jr.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband of nearly 41 years, Willard Harper of Yantis; four children, Jennifer Irene McCarter and husband Blake of Boerne, TX, Stephanie Jean Ruiz of Bulverde, TX, James Russell Harper of Rockmart, GA, and Leonard Scot Harper and wife Tina of Dahlonga, GA; two siblings, Larry Clarady and wife Rhonda of Seabrook, TX, and Pamela Clarady and husband Dave Kerr of La Vernia, TX; seven grandchildren, Tanner McCarter, Trendon McCarter, Taylor Muhleman, Brandon Ramos, Josh Ramos, Jonathan Ruiz, and Joshua Harper; two great-grandchildren, Ellie and Vann Muhleman; and numerous extended family members, nieces, nephews, and many friends.

# Celebrating the Life of...



*Kathleen (Kathy) Harper*

September 24, 1951

March 14, 2026

# Celebrating the Life of...

## Kathleen (Kathy) Harper

11:00AM Saturday, March 21, 2026  
Lake Fork Baptist Church  
Alba, Texas



### Order of Service



- Opening Prayer.....Dr. Zachary Tunnell
- Scripture Reading.....Mark 5:24-34  
Trendon McCarter (Grandson)
- Musical Selection.....How Great Thou Art
- Obituary Reading.....Barry McClure,  
(Sunday School Teacher)
- Musical Selection.....It Is Well With My Soul
- Reflections.....Larry Clarady (Brother)
- Message.....Dr. Zachary Tunnell
- Musical Selection.....Come Jesus Come

### "I'm Free"

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard him call,  
I turned my back and left it all  
I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of day  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch  
If my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief  
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

