



## Joy Winters

July 20, 1940 - December 28, 2023

Frankfort – Joy Ann Winters, age 83, formerly of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, passed away Thursday, December 28, 2023. She was born on July 20, 1940, in Lawrenceburg, Kentucky to Haskell and Gladys Gregory, and graduated from Western Anderson High School in 1958.

Following her graduation from high school, she enrolled and graduated from Fugazzi Business School in Lexington in 1959, earning a diploma in business. In 1960, she accepted a position with the Department of Revenue and worked as an account clerk for ten years.

On April 12, 1964, she married her husband, Paul Winters. They had one son, Kim Winters, who resides in Frankfort.

In 1970, she resigned her position with Kentucky State Government, and enrolled at Kentucky State University where she graduated with Honors earning a Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1974. The following school year she substituted in the Franklin County School System and was later hired full time as a classroom teacher, teaching at Thorn Hill Elementary, Hearn Elementary, and finishing her career at Bald Knob Elementary. During the summer months, she tutored students who needed extra help in reading and math. While teaching, she enrolled in Georgetown College, attending classes during the summer and at night to earn her Masters Degree in Education and

Rank IA.

After teaching for 20 years, she retired from the Franklin County School System and spent five years of teaching at the Christian Academy in Lawrenceburg, Kentucky. She left this position to stay at home and homeschool her only grandson who was her “pride and joy.”

During the time that Joy was working and going to school she was faithful in taking care of family members, her father, mother, brother, and her twin nephews, Bryan and Ryan Gregory, whose father had passed away when they were only four years old.

She enjoyed watching her son, Kim Winters, participate in middle school, high school, and Frankfort Recreation Department sports, namely baseball. She was faithful in attending all of his games and was a very proud and supportive “baseball Mom.” She regularly attended Forks of Elkhorn Baptist Church and Buck Run Baptist Church.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 59 years, Paul Winters; son, Kim Douglas Winters of Frankfort; grandson, Jared Winters of Frankfort; brother, Billy Gregory (Mary) of Lawrenceburg; nephews, Bryan and Ryan Gregory of Frankfort; nieces, Jennifer Marshall (Steve) of Lexington and Angie Kerrick (Brian) of Lexington.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Haskell and Gladys Gregory; sister, Doris June Gregory; brothers, Jimmy Gregory and Marvin Gregory.

Services will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Thursday, January 4, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. with Dr. Hershael York officiating. Entombment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January

3, 2024.

Serving as pallbearers will be Mark Mehrizi, Lyman Lyons, Steve Price, Terry Beaty, Kyle Chism, Steve Clark, Ken Yue, Josh Cummins, Elbert Bowman, Glenn Hurt, Joe Teasley, Travis Tucker, and Bill Armstrong, and Tyler Owens.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Capital Day School, 120 Deepwood Drive, Frankfort KY 40601, in honor of her grandson, Jared Winters, and the Oneida Baptist Institute, Oneida, KY 40792, in honor of her nephews, Bryan and Ryan Gregory.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Gardens

3250 Versailles Road  
Versailles, KY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 3. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home  
312 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-4526  
hbfh@harrodbrothers.com  
<https://www.harrodbrothers.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

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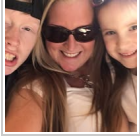
# Tribute Wall



“ *Great aunt Joy had a heart of gold! Such a lovely woman. May she rest in peace* ❤️

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**Savanna Clark** - March 10, 2024 at 06:59 PM



“ My heart is completely shattered for Paul! Kim! Jared!! Ryan & Bryan. And my baby boy Jonathan! I met Joy back in the 90's when she was a substitute teacher in the Franklin co school system's. Fast Forward some years later I wld be a part of the family. Mothering her great nephew/also known as her grandson. One of the things I admired most about joy is her Love & dedication to her nephews that she took in and raised as her own. And her determination to give them both the best life possible. I must say... I don't think she did such a bad job! Another thing I liked was that she didn't back down or stand down from anything or anyone. She stood up for herself and refused to be anyone's doormat! She didn't know this but she taught me quite a bit. Joy was a significant piece of my own journey in my early adulthood years. My transition from teenager to legal age while taking on a mother role welcoming my 1st born child. In those times Joy was beyond helpful! Taught me a thing or 2 about decorating. Lol I remember tho lol we argued a lot over wallpaper and borders. Joy loved the wallpapers lol. Bless her heart. Needless to say I'd lose those arguments. She had a big hand in my very first home & putting it together. She also taught me to parallel park "remember that Ryan lol" Though Aunt Joy and I had an extremely challenging time seeing eye to eye, there was a level of respect I had for her. I loved her. For my own personal reasons. I owe Joy a hearty amends that I never got to make. I ask anyone reading this to do that. If there's anyone you need to make things right with & they're still alive, I ask you to do that now! You never know if it when the opportunity will end. We do t know what tomorrow holds. Make wrong, right. Hug everyone you love.

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**Brittany J Tackett** - January 02, 2024 at 09:14 AM