



Harry Louis Banks

March 28, 2026

Harry Louis Banks went to be with the Lord at his home on March 28, 2026, just prior to his 52nd wedding anniversary to his wife Sandy R. Banks. At the time of his passing, he was surrounded by his family.

He was born on June 25, 1950, in Sewickley, PA, to Hosea Proctor Banks, joining brother Dwight and sister Roberta. He touched the lives of many with his profound sense of humor, warmth, creativity, curiosity, and gregarious, outgoing nature. Harry was a generous friend and possessed an uncanny ability to connect with just about anyone. He possessed a brilliant mind, disarming wit, and an empathetic heart and a rare gift of building community wherever he found himself.

Harry graduated from Sewickley Valley High School and later completed a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Robert Morris University. Professionally, he was employed by United States Steel Corporation for 35 years before retiring in 2008.

In addition to his family, his relationship with Jesus Christ was paramount in his life. He received the Lord in September of 1973 and spent his adult life bearing testimony to the love of Christ. A talented vocalist, Harry began singing at an early age in his native Sewickley at Antioch Baptist Church. Before he accepted the Lord, he belonged to a small cover band called "The Tempos" but would then shift to using his talent to spread the gospel in Pittsburgh area churches and his home church, Grace Baptist Church of Monroeville. He is survived by his wife, their sons, Dan, Harrison, and Adam,

and grandchildren.

The family will be receiving visitors on Thursday, April 2nd from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. OF MONROEVILLE, 4335 Northern Pike (412-372-2100). The service will be held at Penn Hill Baptist Church, 323 Hulton Rd, Verona, PA 15147, on Friday, April 3rd, at 11am following an additional visitation at the church beginning at 10am.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gene H. Corl Funeral Chapel Inc.
4335 Northern Pike
Monroeville, PA 15146
(412) 372-2100
ghcorl@comcast.net
<https://corlfuneralchapel.com>

Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Penn Hills Baptist Church
323 Hulton Rd.
Verona, PA 15147

Tribute Wall

TO

“ Harry, We met in 9th grade playing football for Q.V. Jr. High. We established a great friendship over the next 4 years, again through Football and Q. V. High School. Remember Football Camp and the Post Toasties joke. We rekindled in 2017, way too many years of a good friendship lost. It's been a good last 9 years, the lunches, the talks and the get togethers with Our group. You'll always be in my memory and I'll always have thoughts of you as a great guy and a great friend. I know from what I've seen over the past couple of years, You were a wonderful husband to Sandy and father to Your boys. We're going to miss You #78. God bless You. RIP

Tom

Thomas O'Neill - April 02 at 09:24 AM

JS

“ I have no words to describe how this feels. Harry was as genuine as a person can be.. He will be deeply missed by all. I know he's singing on HALLELUJAH SQUARE. PRAISE THE LORD. We will all be joining him there.

Jeffrey and Linda Stefanik and all the Stefaniks..

Jeffrey Stefanik - April 01 at 03:03 PM

SG

“ I met Harry back when our children were young and we coached together on Monroeville midget football. We shared a lot of fun talks, and he happened to be a close friend of a friend of mine Jeremy Warren from Sewickley. He will truly be missed his son play with my son in high school football condolences to the family.

Stanley Gibson - March 31 at 01:41 PM

CE

Sandy and family you have my sympathy

corrinne estok - April 02 at 05:42 PM

PR

“ *My condolences to the Banks family on behalf of my mother, Ethel Randolph, and myself, Phillip Randolph. Harry was a long-time family friend who went back to the 50's. God's speed, old friend.*

Phillip Randolph - March 31 at 08:48 AM

GC

“ *This man of God was the first to share the gospel with me, leading me to the Lord. He and his amazing wife prayed me through a very hard season of my life and I will never forget it. Praise God that he is pain free and with the Lord. Well done, faithful servant and friend.*

Gwen Clements - March 30 at 06:24 PM

GA

We've known Harry and Sandy since the days of our young married fellowship group at the church in Plum Borough in the 70's. There really aren't words enough to describe Harry Banks. He was good, kind encouraging, humorous but most of all he was truly a Christ followerserving and representing the Lord faithfully. We are so thankful that God allows our memories to capture the voice of our dear friend speaking and singing....truly the Lord was Harry's "Light and Salvation".....Psalm 27

*We now look forward to a great reunion in heaven one day, brother.....
Grant and Kathy Abe*

Grant Abe - April 02 at 02:55 PM

XA

Hi papi it's me Xander your grandson I miss you so much when I got the phone call from my dad and he said that you passed away and i broke down in tears because you were the best grandpa ever

Xander - April 20 at 09:23 AM