



Richard Leo Barrett

February 24, 2021

Richard Leo Barrett, 76, of Louisville, Kentucky and Lakewood Ranch, Florida died Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at Lakewood Ranch Medical Center.

He was preceded in death by his son Michael Raymond Barrett; his grandson Barrett Joseph Bicker; his parents, Robert Leo Barrett and Mary Evelyn Rhodes Barrett; sister Beverly Ann; twin brothers Peter and Paul; sister Judy Marie; and sister Rose Cecelia Hamilton just two days prior to own his death.

Dick spent his career as a restaurant entrepreneur, proudly working, managing, and owning some of the most well-known franchises in the business, including Long John Silvers, Wendy's, Papa Johns and Tijuana Flats. He was a lifelong devout Catholic and a member of St. Patrick Church in Louisville.

He was a proud member of Alcoholics Anonymous for 37 years, living the 12-step program every day of his life. He tirelessly devoted his retirement years to helping others in need, whether it be the residents at Day Spring, where his daughter has lived for over 20 years, or the clients of Beacon House, an organization that serves people with addictions.

Along with his dear friend and brother-in-law David Harrod, he was fondly

known as one of “The Meat Men.” Together, they became well-known locally for their delectable smoked meats and bbq sauce, serving large groups of people for holidays and charitable fundraisers.

He truly loved helping others in need, and used his God-given gifts and culinary expertise to live out his Catholic faith in a real and practical way.

Dick fiercely loved his wife, his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved cooking with his children and grandchildren and was always in search of the perfect golf game.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years Beth Harrod Barrett; children, Todd Barrett (Jane); Madonna Willis (Steve); and Emily Barrett; brothers Robert Noel “Buddy”(Christine); Ronald Joseph (Louise); and James Anthony (Donna); sister Mary Eileen Heffelmire (Ron), and brother-in-law Joseph Patrick (Jake) Hamilton. Grandchildren Hannah Finch (Wesley); Sarah Rose (Fabian); Georgia Barrett; and Madison Bicker. Great-grandchildren Elijah, Genevieve, Scarlett, and Woodford Finch; and Mia and Marley Rose.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at Pearson’s Funeral Home at 149 Breckenridge Ln. following COVID-19 protocols.

A private funeral mass will be held March 12, 2021 at 10:00 am at St. Patrick Church, Louisville, KY for immediate family only, with burial at Calvary Cemetery.

Due to COVID-19 protocols and Dick’s wishes to protect those he loves, the church will provide live streaming on its website at www.youtube.com/channel/UCsaintpatrickcatholicchurch.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Day Spring, 2210 Meadow Dr.,
Louisville, KY 40218 or The Beacon House 963 S. Second St. Louisville, KY
40203.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Cindy Cusick sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Leo Barrett*



cindy Cusick - March 13, 2021 at 08:41 PM

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“ *Cindy Cusick lit a candle in memory of Richard Leo Barrett*



cindy Cusick - March 13, 2021 at 08:38 PM

JG

“ *I am so saddened to hear this about Dickie. Some of my best childhood memories involve when Bob, Mary, Rosie, Dickie, Buddy, Eileen, and the younger kids would come to visit us in Reed during their home visits to Whitesville. We would have such glorious fun times. My sincere condolences to his family. I send my love.*
Jan Mills Gish

Jan (Mills) Gish - March 08, 2021 at 10:43 PM

JH

“ *Dick was a good, honest, and hard working man. I was honored to know him and to work with him during the "old" Long John Silver's days, and also with Wendy's. He will truly be missed! My deepest condolences to you Beth and also to your children.*

Joe Harris - March 08, 2021 at 01:12 PM

TC

“ I’m so sorry for EVERYONE’S loss! Thank you, Dick!!! What a great model of a fine human being!

Tracey Carson

Tracey Carson - March 04, 2021 at 07:06 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Leo Barrett.



March 03, 2021 at 12:11 PM

CA

“ This just seems so unreal. Beth there are no words I can say that is going to make this better. Just know I love you both so much. I am here for anything you need.

Christine Ales - March 02, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Richard Leo Barrett.



March 02, 2021 at 04:00 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Leo Barrett.* ”



March 02, 2021 at 01:06 PM