



## Barry Baxter

September 9, 1954 - October 27, 2020

If you asked 100 people who Barry Wayne Baxter was, they would all give you a different story. A topnotch manager/salesman; a football player; the life of a party; an Omega Man (ROO to the BRUHS); a momma's boy; a jokester. Barry was all of those things, but more notably, he was a family man. He was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, son, brother and uncle. Barry was a big man, but his heart was the biggest of all.

On Tuesday, October 27, 2020, Barry passed away at the age of 66. After several years of declining health, Barry died peacefully with his beloved wife, Jacquelyn 'Jackie' Morgan Baxter and his family by his bedside.

Barry was born on September 9, 1954 to the late Howard Baxter, Sr. and Baby Louise (Baby Lou) Baxter in Columbia, Tennessee. He began his football career at Central High School, where he quickly became a standout star. Barry graduated from Central and attended the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK). Due to physical health limitations, Barry could not play football at UTK. He did, however become a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and met the love of his life, Jackie. Challenging the power of none other than Barry White, Barry serenaded Jackie with "You're my first, my last, my everything". It worked because his song rang true for their 39 years of marriage, they were married in 1981. The two welcomed their son Brandon Dior Baxter to the world in 1983. In 1986, after several company transfers to

different parts of Tennessee, Barry and Jackie moved to Atlanta. Barry worked as a General Manager for Service Merchandise for 18 years, until the store closure. Barry then worked in sales management at Sears, and at Pitney Bowes until becoming ill.

Barry loved grilling, gardening, and traveling. He loved to host BBQ's and Fish Frys. He enjoyed cheering for the Atlanta Falcons, and having a good laugh with family and friends. Barry relished in spending time with his only grandbaby, Ari. Every time Ari entered the room, Barry lit up. He cherished their relationship and loved being Ari's GP. Barry loved the Lord.

Barry is survived by his wife, Jackie, their son Brandon (Johanne), and his granddaughter Arielle 'Ari' . He is also survived by his 90 year old mother, Baby Lou Baxter, his siblings, sisters Beverly(Hughie) Baxter, Lanita Baxter, and his brother Howard Baxter, Jr., and a host of relatives and friends. Barry was preceded in death by his father, Howard Baxter, Sr.

Barry's tireless love and devotion to his family were evident in his final moments. We all hold him in the highest regards and love him dearly.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a [Click Here For Live Stream in memory of Barry Baxter](#)*



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**Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc.** - November 05, 2020 at 08:38 PM

BB

“ *Beverly Baxter lit a candle in memory of Barry Baxter*



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**Beverly Baxter** - January 25, 2021 at 03:22 PM

EB

“ *Absent from the body, but present with the Lord 🙏  
RIP*

*James, Elizabeth & Christopher Belser*



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**Elizabeth Belser** - November 14, 2020 at 03:46 PM

AW

“ Some people that you meet in your lifetime are there for a specific time and place. Barry was just that person for me, we knew one another for many years, and he will never be forgotten. It's sad to say, but it was hard for me to not see Barry as the big strong man I always knew, so to admit my faults, I stayed away from seeing him in his painful days, to which I say.....I'm sorry!

*Spoon*

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**Alvin Witherspoon** - November 06, 2020 at 01:35 PM

GJ

*Barry was a WONDERFUL person. I met him because I knew his sister. Your work is done. Rest in peace my friend. GJ*

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**Gj** - November 06, 2020 at 05:12 PM

GB

“ *Gwen Bailey lit a candle in memory of Barry Baxter*



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**Gwen Bailey** - November 06, 2020 at 11:49 AM

RB

“ *Barry was our first nephew. What a blessing he was to all who knew him.*  
*Judge and Mrs. Randolph Baxter*

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**Randolph and Yvonne Baxter** - November 06, 2020 at 10:58 AM

KL

*My cousin Barry was the most generous man I ever knew! Heaven has gained the realest man I know!!  
Love ya Barry💜💜💜*

**Kimberly Baxter Lee** - November 06, 2020 at 11:27 AM

DD

*“ Diane Davis lit a candle in memory of Barry Baxter*



**Diane Davis** - November 06, 2020 at 07:59 AM

CM

*“ Charles and Yvonne McFall purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Barry Baxter.*



**Charles and Yvonne McFall** - November 05, 2020 at 09:00 PM

SM

*“ RIP Uncle Barry ,you will be missed and when you see my mom before y'all start y'all joking (lol) can you please tell her that I love and miss her and love u too*

**Sheri Morgan** - November 05, 2020 at 05:46 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barry Baxter.*



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November 05, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Barry Baxter.*



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November 04, 2020 at 11:20 AM



“ *Barry as you journey to be with the rest of the family gone before us, you will truly be miss. You and your family were always there for others, loving and caring at all times. We love you Barry and you will always be a part of our hearts, until we meet again.*  
*Gloria and Bobby Harlan and Family*

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**Gloria Harlan** - November 04, 2020 at 11:15 AM



“ *Anytime I needed uplifting, you were always there. You are my "ROADDOGG" yesterday, today and forever! You lived your purpose and I thank GOD for the blood we shared! I will forever keep you in my vision. Peace cuz until we meet again!*

*Rochelle*

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**Rochelle Lyles** - November 03, 2020 at 08:03 PM

CW

“ Wishing you peace and strength during this difficult time. RIP Barry

Cassandra



Cassandra Williams - November 03, 2020 at 06:55 PM

RH

Truly miss our teasing ,you were the best brother in law as well as a loving father/husband rest on Barty

Russel Harper - November 03, 2020 at 07:24 PM

RH

Barry

Russel Harper - November 03, 2020 at 07:25 PM

WC

Barry, I am going to miss you teasing me calling me Wilma Rudolph . You were a loving family man .May you Rest In Peace .

Wilma Curry - November 04, 2020 at 04:17 AM

NJ

Thank you, Jackie and family, for taking such good loving care of our Brother Barry. Rest In Paradise

Normon Johnson

Normon J Johnson - November 05, 2020 at 08:19 PM

JB

“ There's a hugh hole in my heart that cannot be filled. I miss you dearly. Until we meet again! Love you, Jackie

Jackie Baxter - November 03, 2020 at 06:24 PM

RL

*Love you Jackie ( my sister ) and I want to thank you publicly for the love, kindness, compassion and unselfish sacrifices you made to make sure Barry was well respected and received the best care that the world has to offer. Thank you..Thank you..Thank you!*

*Rochelle*

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**Rochelle Lyles** - November 03, 2020 at 08:20 PM

FC

*You have been there for your husband, Barry. My Frat Bro. Is gone, but I will not forget him or you. May GOD Be With You! Rest In Peace*

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**Frank Cotton** - November 04, 2020 at 12:10 PM

DW

*To my longtime friends JB you were a loving caring wife till the end.💕💕 Barry will truly be missed I have so many fun memories of him he will always be in our hearts. Barry was the one who showed me how to get to Nashville from ATL the short way,.He's resting now out of any discomfort.💕💕 I pray yours and the family strength. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Rest now my friend.🙏🙏🙏💕*

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**Diane Witherspoon** - November 04, 2020 at 10:10 PM