



Barry Lee Collins

January 13, 1953 - August 10, 2020

Barry Lee Collins
Greenville, South Carolina

Barry Lee Collins, 67, loving husband to Elizabeth “Liz” Collins for 45 years, passed away Monday, August 10, 2020.

A native of Henderson County, North Carolina, Barry was born January 13, 1953, the son of the late Melvin Leroy and Care Lean McGraw Collins.

Mr. Collins graduated from East Henderson High School in 1971 and was a United States Air Force veteran. He worked as a Professional Land Surveyor in North and South Carolina for 38+ years and was an avid golfer and former member of Pickens Country Club. Barry loved all his family dearly, especially his children, grandchildren, and siblings who will miss him greatly.

Survivors include his wife, Liz, a son, Marshall Collins of Columbia, SC; daughter, Amanda Collins (Chris Matrn) of Pickens, SC; grandchildren, Brandon Collins and Abbi Collins; brothers, Glen Collins of Dana, NC, and Jeff Collins of Six Mile, SC; sisters, Margie Duncan, and Sherry Garren, both of Etowah, NC; uncles, Joe Collins, Wade Collins, Noel McGraw, and aunt, Ivory Gilliam, all of Hendersonville, NC. Barry is also survived by lots of loving cousins, nieces, and nephews that he loved dearly.

Mr. Collins was predeceased by his parents.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, August 23, 2020 from 4:00pm - 6:00pm at Fred W. Symmes Chapel, also known as “Pretty Place”, 100 YMCA Camp Rd, Cleveland, SC 29635.

Mountain View Funeral Home is serving the Collins family.

Events

AUG **Memorial Service** 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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Fred W. Symmes Chapel - "Pretty Place"

100 YMCA Camp Rd, Cleveland, SC, US, 29635

Comments



“ Barry did sub-contracting surveying work for me in the 1980's and in the 1990's. He was a competent and smart professional man. He was very intelligent and friendly. You could always count on his words to be truthful, and his work to be accurate. I liked Barry a lot!

JC Smith - December 24, 2020 at 09:24 AM



“ Liz, you probably don't remember me but I was Randy Sise's wife way back then when we were in the Air Force together. Barry was a wonderful person and said he was so lucky to find you and become part of your life, He will be greatly missed. Randy passed away Oct 29, 2019. I know he didn't keep in touch with you two but he talked about Barry a lot.

Susan (Sise)Anderson - October 27, 2020 at 12:01 AM



“ To Liz and family my prayers are with you all always. I have enjoyed working with Barry the last twenty years. We shared a few Emails last year of fond memories of his mother Care Lean. My dad Billy Joe Cannon and Care Lean were first cousins. Care Lean's mother Nola Hyder McCraw and my dad's mother Grace Bell Jane Hyder Cannon we're sisters.-Tina Ball



Tina Ball - October 08, 2020 at 10:03 PM



“ Cousin Barry always called me Marsha Faye, I think he's the only one that did. Other Daddy and Aunt Care Lean his mom .She was my first mom as an infant. She moved in with us and stayed to help my mom recover from my birth to care for me for weeks. He was a great gentle man who loved us all with his soft spoken voice. That's how I remember him. Soft spoken, loving and caring. I'll miss that sweet smile.

Marsha McCraw Stepp - August 21, 2020 at 07:52 PM



“ Barry was always a joy to be around kind, gentle, funny and fair to everyone. He would do work for people many didn't pay him, and Barry being the gracious man he was never threatened or harassed them so therefore many didn't pay him. I hope some of them will read this and pay his wife. Barry was always a man with class and good character. I'm not only proud that he was my nephew I'm glad that God put him in my life. He was the kind of man who makes you proud your last name is Collins also . He is one more on the other side I'm looking forward to seeing soon . My love to all the family , Uncle Joe

Joe Collins - August 18, 2020 at 09:03 PM



“ I went to high school with Barry, we graduated together in 1971. I was very sorry to hear of his passing because I can't think of a kinder, sweeter soul. And, when one is in high school that is sometimes a rare quality. Barry was also a good friend of my late friend Larry Hoxit and I remember good times with them both. I regret that we were did not keep in touch these past years. My heart goes out to his family.

Connie Aiken - August 18, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ We sincerely miss Barry! I have nothing but fond memories of him and his gentle soul. Sending, love, hugs and prayers!!!

Tania Styles-Nelson - August 17, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ I am praying for everyone in Barry's family. I remember Momma and Daddy took us to Barry's Momma and Daddy house when I was growing up. Momma and Caroline were always close. My Momma was Barbara Lively Hedrick and Daddy was Kenneth Hedrick. I am Kim Arrowood. Praying for all of the family. I know this is a hard time for Marsha.

Kim Hedrick Arrowood - August 13, 2020 at 09:03 PM