



## Thomas H. Barnes

November 19, 1944 - February 15, 2019

Thomas H. Barnes, 74 of Rushville, passed away on February 15, 2019. He was born on November 19, 1944 in Rushville to the late Thomas Eugene and Avanelle (Wainscott) Barnes. Tom was a 1963 graduate of Rushville High School and attended Purdue University. He married his high school sweetheart, Bonnie (Noah) Barnes on June 26, 1966 and she survives. Tom was a lifelong member of Main Street Christian Church and helped out in many ways at the church. He was very active in the youth sport organizations in Rushville. Tom was on the board of the Rush County Youth Baseball League, the Rush County Youth Football League, and the Rushville Boys Club, as he would say "It was more important that everyone got to play rather than to win." Tom was a member of the United States Submarine Veterans Incorporated, Rush County Veterans, and the Elks Lodge. Tom was part of the under seas fighting force of the United States Navy serving from 1964-1972 aboard the nuclear submarine-USS Narwhal. He was owner and operator of Pizza King in Rushville from 1973-2016, Barnes Kitchen Building Supply, and Swing Line Vans. Tom served the Rush County community as a County Commissioner from 2005-2012 in addition he was the President of the board. Tom's true love was time spent with family. He enjoyed RV traveling, woodworking, and fishing. He was a huge fan of the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears, and Indiana Pacers.

In addition to his wife, Bonnie; Tom is survived by his daughters, Rebecca Truster of Rushville and Tracy (Joe) Pavey of Liberty; son, Thomas (Denise)

Barnes of Rushville; brothers, Richard "Rick" (Jean) Barnes of Rushville and Donald "Donny" (Sally) Barnes of Rushville. He will also be missed by his 5 grandchildren, Zachary Truster, George Nicholas Truster, Lily Truster, Isabella "Bella" Pavey, Noah Pavey and his great-granddaughter, Hazel Truster. Services will be held on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 1PM at Main Christian Church, with Linda Daubenspeck presiding. Friends are welcome to visit the family at the church on Sunday from 2PM-6PM. Burial will be held in East Hill Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made out to Main Street Christian Church or United States Submarine Veterans Inc. Sail Project, 3078 N. Cantlin Drive, Bloomington, IN 47404, in memory of Thomas. Moster Mortuary is entrusted with the services.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Main Street Christian Church  
615 N Main St  
Rushville, IN 46173-1689  
(765) 932-2997

## Service

FEB **25**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CB

“ I served with Tom and can honestly say he was one of the nicest people I ever knew. RIP Tom. ‘Barlow’

Carol Barlow - February 24, 2023 at 07:06 AM



“ Thomas H. Barnes

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM

JC

“ Jeff & Kelly Clawson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



Jeff & Kelly Clawson - February 25, 2019 at 10:18 AM

WD

“ With heartfelt condolences, Jennifer & Alan Dhayer purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



With heartfelt condolences, Jennifer & Alan Dhayer -  
February 25, 2019 at 09:45 AM

SB

“ Bonnie and family-So sorry on the passing of Tom. I will never forget the help he gave when I needed it with Jimmy. Prayers coming you way.

Sue(Jimmy) Barnes

Sue Barnes - February 24, 2019 at 04:42 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



February 24, 2019 at 02:13 PM

BK

“ So Very Sorry for your Loss. I was Proud to be One of Your Friends. Rest in Peace "Sir".  
..Brian and Melody Kaster



Brian&Melody Kaster - February 24, 2019 at 01:51 PM

RC

“ They don't come any better than Tom Barnes. He was such a stand up guy always willing to help out anyone in need. He will be missed by many. Prayers for Bonnie and their entire family.entire



Ron D. Cameron - February 24, 2019 at 01:06 PM

LP

“ *Larry, Doug and Patrick purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.*



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**Larry, Doug and Patrick** - February 24, 2019 at 10:22 AM

LP

“ *As a RHS classmate, Tom was one of the best. My condolences to Bonnie and your family.*



*Lorella Paugh-Sparks*

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**Lorella Paugh-Sparks** - February 24, 2019 at 04:33 AM

SM

“ *Bonnie and family, We were saddened to hear of the loss of Tom. We send our deepest sympathy to you, and may God bring comfort to you and your family as you cherish all your memories.*



*Larry and Sandy(May) Muckerheide*

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**Sandy Muckerheide** - February 23, 2019 at 10:32 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.*



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February 23, 2019 at 10:02 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.*



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February 22, 2019 at 08:38 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.*



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February 22, 2019 at 05:15 PM



“ *Rick and Barbara Turner purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.*



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**Rick and Barbara Turner** - February 22, 2019 at 03:27 PM



“ *Rush County Republican Party purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.*



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**Rush County Republican Party** - February 22, 2019 at 03:18 PM

DS

“ Tom was such a giving person. As was his whole family. Our family has experienced that over the many years we've known them. He will be missed tremendously. We will cherish memories of our time with him. Prayers for his whole family. Love You, Don and Hazel



Don & Hazel Stolpe - February 22, 2019 at 10:12 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



February 22, 2019 at 09:18 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



February 22, 2019 at 12:46 AM

CG

“ Chris Gindling lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes



Chris Gindling - February 21, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ I worked for Tom and Bonnie for many years, great people. I have so much respect for that man.

*Jeannie Clapp*



Jeannie Dyer-clapp - February 21, 2019 at 12:23 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



February 21, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Barnes.



February 20, 2019 at 08:19 PM



“ Jacqueline Duke lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes



Jacqueline Duke - February 20, 2019 at 07:08 PM

LV

“ *Lora Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Lora Vaughn** - February 20, 2019 at 04:09 PM

KT

“ *I remember Tom's Navy father courting and marrying his mother and later Tom being born. Soon Rick and Donny joined the family and they became the tight knit, adventuresome "Barnes Boys". One summer I babysit them all summer and tried to keep up with their amazing energy and creativity. I have always been proud to be their cousin and send all the family my sincere sympathy.*

*J. Kathryn Pickett Trout (Toots)*

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**Kathryn Trout** - February 20, 2019 at 01:27 PM

DA

“ *Deborah Adams lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Deborah Adams** - February 20, 2019 at 12:24 AM

AA

“ Amanda And Raj Aiyar lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes



Amanda and Raj Aiyar - February 19, 2019 at 10:40 PM

RB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Richard and Belinda - February 19, 2019 at 08:23 PM

JB

I love this I'm so glad and very blessed to be a part of this great family Texas has been grace by your presence here we love y'all 🙏🥹🥹 stay prayerful

Justina Bogany - February 20, 2019 at 10:26 AM

RB

“ Richard and I are missing you two so much. My heart is broken. Tom was an awesome man. He was a caregiver, always ready to help anybody in need, I just can't say how much I admired him and Bonnie. ❤️🙏

Richard and Belinda - February 19, 2019 at 08:22 PM

DA

“ *Daisy & Lawrence Armstrong lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Daisy & Lawrence Armstrong** - February 19, 2019 at 06:54 PM

MJ

“ *I've lost my hero. My heart goes out to the entire Barnes family and anyone else who had the opportunity to know Tom Barnes.*



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**Mathew Judson** - February 19, 2019 at 06:47 PM

GR

“ *Greg Raike lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Greg Raike** - February 19, 2019 at 03:26 PM

PB

“ *Paul And Sue (Ellis) Buzzard lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Paul and Sue (Ellis) Buzzard** - February 18, 2019 at 05:15 PM

DS

“ Bonnie & family, Donnie & Sally & family, our deepest sympathies to you all. We don't have to tell you what a fine man Tom was. You already know that. We love you and are so sorry & saddened by your loss. Bob won't be able to attend any service due to having open heart surgery. Our families have been friends for oh so many years. We treasure our friendship. May God bring comfort and peace to you.

*With Love- Bob Conover, Donna Conover McMullen, Sara Conover Westra, Larry Conover, Tom Conover, Darlene Supinger Sullivan, Marsha Supinger Moore , Vicki Supinger Barrow & families*

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**Darlene Sullivan** - February 18, 2019 at 03:50 PM

DG

“ Dave & Karen Garau lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes



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**Dave & Karen Garau** - February 18, 2019 at 02:18 PM

ME

“ Melissa lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes



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**Melissa** - February 18, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *Michael Logan II lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Michael Logan II** - February 17, 2019 at 10:54 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the Barnes family! Roger and Debi Rosfeld*



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**Deb Rosfeld** - February 17, 2019 at 09:50 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to Bonnie & the entire family 🙏*



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**Kelly & Susie McClure** - February 17, 2019 at 12:31 PM



*So sorry for your loss, Our hearts are with you. Charley and Barb Newman.*

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**barbnewman** - February 19, 2019 at 10:25 PM



“ *When I was working on my Master Gardener project of redoing the courthouse landscaping Tom was the point person to see that veteran’s corner was redone. He was a true man of service to his family, community and country. His influence will be missed by many. Sincere condolences Bonnie and family.*



Daylanne Sheehan - February 17, 2019 at 11:51 AM



“ *Donald Rolfe lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



Donald Rolfe - February 17, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ *Praying for Bonnie and the family.*



Mindy York - February 17, 2019 at 09:39 AM



“ *John & Sally Collyer lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



John & Sally Collyer - February 16, 2019 at 10:48 PM

JC

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to to Bonnie & family. We love you all!*



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**John & Sally Collyer** - February 16, 2019 at 10:49 PM

M(

“ *Mindy Wilson (LaFary) lit a candle in memory of Thomas H. Barnes*



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**Mindy Wilson (LaFary)** - February 16, 2019 at 10:15 PM

TW

“ *Ruth and I are sorry for the loss of Tom. May God bless each of you with His peace, love, comfort, and strength as you go through this time. Until the time we all see Tom again may you be blessed.*

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**Tim Williams** - February 16, 2019 at 07:27 PM

DN

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Barnes family.*



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**David and Monica Newman** - February 16, 2019 at 07:27 PM

CN

“ Tom you were a good man with lots of love to your family community workers veterans and anyone who needed help. May you rest in heaven and may your family find peace



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**ceilia Johnson Nigh** - February 16, 2019 at 03:44 PM

SS

“ Thomas Henry Barnes, all I can say are so many memories, none bad was and will always be a huge rock In the family. Tom was good to all Heaven gained a good one prayers to all the Barnes family we love you all 🙏. 😊 🙏



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**Scott Southerland** - February 16, 2019 at 03:04 PM

MN

“ I worked on his Refrigeration for years. He was always a great person to work for. Helped the city of Rushville many times. RIP my friend

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**Mike Nichols** - February 16, 2019 at 02:07 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to everyone. I know he was the one whom the family and friends looked up to. I know he will be missed by the family. My prayers go out to Bonnie, Becky, Tracy and Thomas as well as the rest of the family. God bless you and guide you through this difficult time

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**Michaelle Jones** - February 16, 2019 at 12:22 PM

RD

“ To my friend Rick and all of the Barnes family, I wish to extend my condolences on the loss of your loved one. My heart goes out to each of you. I pray the Lord gives you solace and peace in your heart and helps to heal you. I would like to share with you a little poem that I hope helps.



*Shed not for him the bitter tear  
nor give to heart to vain regret  
Tis but the casket you see here,  
the gem that filled it, sparkles yet.*

*May God bless*

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**Roger Dice** - February 16, 2019 at 12:02 PM

WH

“ Mr Barnes was a nice person who members of my family worked for. Prayers to his family



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**william howard** - February 16, 2019 at 10:36 AM