



## Michael D. Barnes

May 20, 1957 - April 28, 2025

Michael D. Barnes of Valparaiso Indiana was a caring husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. He unexpectedly passed away on April 28th, 2025, at the age of 67. Mike was born to Rex and Margie Barnes on May 20th, 1957, in Hammond, Indiana. Mike was a Lew Wallace Graduate in the Class of 1975. He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Sherry (Sefton) Barnes, son, Michael (Stacy) Barnes, daughter, Amanda (Tony) Silva, and his grandchildren, Isabella, Addeline, Hunter, Kolton, Chloe, and Kaiden, brothers, Patrick (Rose) Barnes and Gordan Barnes, sister, Sharon (Larry) Creech, sisters-in-law, Kim (Danny) Hallmen, Cindy (Mike) Lesch, brother-in-law, Ronald O'Neill, and mother-in-law, Shirley (Chuck) O'Neill, many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his father, Rex Barnes, mother, Margie Barnes, and sister, Lisa Barnes. Mike was a longtime resident of Hobart, Indiana where he and Sherry raised their 2 children. Mike coached many of his children's sports teams. He was a Millwright/Planner at US Steel 84" Hot Strip Mill for 42 years. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved to spend time in the woods or on the water with his son and grandchildren. Mike also enjoyed traveling and going on adventures with his loving wife. A visitation will be held at Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street Hobart, Indiana 46342 on Friday, May 2nd, 2025, from 3:00 - 7:00pm with service to follow with Pastor Denny Smith officiating.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 2. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart  
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Hobart, IN 46342  
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## Funeral Service

MAY 2. 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

DL

“ Dr. Mark Allmaras & Kimberly Lorenzetti purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



Dr. Mark Allmaras & Kimberly Lorenzetti - May 02, 2025 at 11:24 AM

DL

“ Dr. Mark Allmaras & Kimberly Lorenzetti planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

Dr. Mark Allmaras & Kimberly Lorenzetti - May 02, 2025 at 11:24 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



May 02, 2025 at 09:07 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

May 02, 2025 at 09:07 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



May 01, 2025 at 06:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

May 01, 2025 at 06:37 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



May 01, 2025 at 03:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

May 01, 2025 at 03:16 PM

DF

“ I'm so so very sorry for your loss Sheri Amanda Mike Jr & All Family, thinking of you @ this sorrowful time of grief  
Condolences sent from the Barbera Family  
May Mike RIP 🙏



Debbie B & Family - April 30, 2025 at 11:47 PM

GL

“ Lord I'm so so deeply sorry , I've know Michael Barnes seems like a live time.  
This is truly a good man . I'm in shock and praying for Sherry and family , we had so much fun as children and Sherry if you need anything please call, live you all  
❤️👍

Gwendolyn lively - April 30, 2025 at 10:10 PM

EQ

“ I have many wonderful memories of Mike and his wonderful family from childhood. They were my neighbors and friends. Words cannot express how sorry I am for your loss.

With deepest sympathies,

Elizabeth Popa (Quarnstrom)

Elizabeth Quarnstrom - April 30, 2025 at 08:37 PM

VS

“ VB, HS, CBT, CJ, KTH, SP purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



VB, HS, CBT, CJ, KTH, SP - April 30, 2025 at 06:45 PM

CB

“ Our deepest condolences to Mike and his family.  
Charles Brown Ginger Labelle-Brown

Charles Brown - April 30, 2025 at 03:17 PM

LG

“ Lisa M Gibson purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



Lisa M Gibson - April 30, 2025 at 01:48 PM

WE

“ Eric and I always enjoyed being around you both. Mike was a happy, fun guy. We could see the love you both shared. The close net family you guys have. We are so very sorry for your loss. Know that were thinking of your family. Eric and Wendy Erickson

Wendy Erickson - April 30, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



April 29, 2025 at 08:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

April 29, 2025 at 07:37 PM

LH

“ Love, Mike & Debbie Hallmen purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



Love, Mike & Debbie Hallmen - April 29, 2025 at 07:37 PM

JB

“ Jill, Ross, Wendy, Thomas and Bubba purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



Jill, Ross, Wendy, Thomas and Bubba - April 29, 2025 at 07:15 PM

JB

“ Jill, Ross, Wendy, Thomas and Bubba planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

Jill, Ross, Wendy, Thomas and Bubba - April 29, 2025 at 07:15 PM

RS

“ Richard and Charlene Silva purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



Richard and Charlene Silva - April 29, 2025 at 05:36 PM

RS

“ Richard and Charlene Silva planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

Richard and Charlene Silva - April 29, 2025 at 05:36 PM

KH

“ Kim and Dan Hallmen purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



Kim and Dan Hallmen - April 29, 2025 at 04:32 PM

KH

“ Kim and Dan Hallmen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael D. Barnes.

Kim and Dan Hallmen - April 29, 2025 at 04:32 PM

IM

“ In Loving Memory of Our Uncle Mike purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Michael D. Barnes.



In Loving Memory of Our Uncle Mike - April 29, 2025 at 04:26 PM