



# James R. Barker Sr.

JUL 24, 1946 - DEC 23, 2023



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**J**ames R. Barker, Sr., age 77, of Lorain, passed away after battling cancer for the past 7 months on Saturday, December 23, 2023.

He was born on July 24, 1946 in Harrisville, W. VA and moved to Lorain in 1968. He began his career working for Ford Motor Co. at the Avon plant in 1969, where he worked for many years before finally retiring from there in 2002. James loved spending time with his family. He also enjoyed camping, fishing and bowling. He is survived by his loving wife of 53 ½ years, Kathleen G. (nee Traster) Barker; children, James, Jr. (Lynne) Barker, of Wellington, Steve (Renee) Barker, of Wellington and Tammy (Wayne) Spears, of Lorain; 8 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; and sisters, Joyce Payne, Carolyn Payne and Sherry (George) Dearth, all of W. VA.

He was preceded in death by his mom, Iva Maxine Barker; step-dad, Richard Ambrose; dad, Charles Barker; brothers, Charles and David; and a sister, Charlotte Jones.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, December 30th, 2023 from 10:00 am until the time of his funeral service at 12:00 pm at Tower Baptist Church, 1313 Tower Blvd., Lorain, OH 44053. Burial will follow at Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Amherst. Arrangements are under the care of Dovin and Reber Jones Funeral & Cremation Center, 1110 Cooper Foster Park Road, Amherst. To send an online condolence, please visit [www.dovinreberjones.com](http://www.dovinreberjones.com).

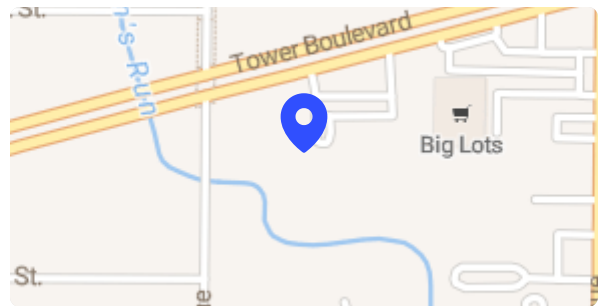


# Events

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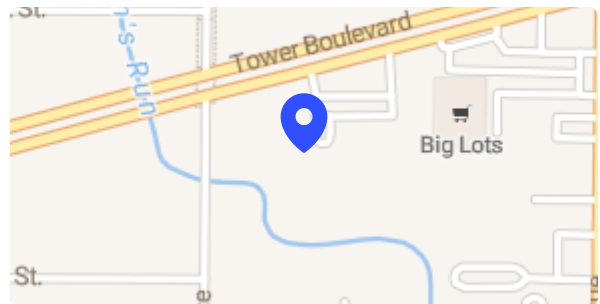
## Visitation

- Saturday**, December 30, 2023
- 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- Tower Baptist Church**  
1313 Tower Blvd., Lorain OH 44053



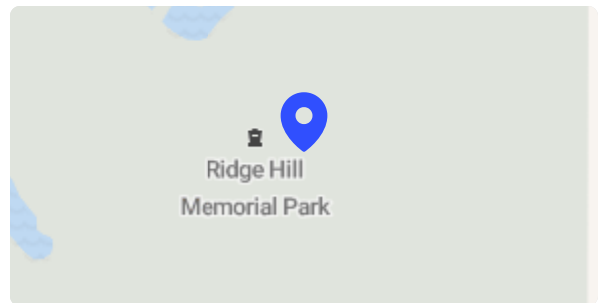
## Funeral Service

- Saturday**, December 30, 2023
- 12:00 PM ET
- Tower Baptist Church**  
1313 Tower Blvd., Lorain OH 44053



## Cemetery Details

- Ridge Hill Memorial Park**  
44805 N Ridge Rd, Amherst Township OH 44001
- 440-233-5113**





## Tribute Wall

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CT

**Cindy Traster** lit a candle in honor of James.

Sorry for your loss

December 28 at 12:45 PM



AL

**Arnie And Vicky Landers** posted:

We met Jim while camping. Always willing to lend a hand. A very kind gentleman. He made it known he loved his family.

December 28 at 12:31 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Barker family.

December 28 at 12:06 PM



TF

**The Spence Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of James.

December 28 at 12:06 PM



JB

**James Barker Jr** posted:

He was the most loving, caring, and passionate father a child "children" could ask for. He loved his family more than life and devoted his whole life to them... I will miss my father and never stop loving him ....

December 27 at 2:38 PM

SW

**Steven W.** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Barker family.

December 27 at 1:36 PM





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**Anonymous** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Barker family.



December 27 at 6:46 AM



**Sister Joyce** lit a candle in honor of James.



December 27 at 6:34 AM



**Sister** posted:

You were always a special brother and i will remember you with fondest memories. You are pain free and flying high. I love you.

December 27 at 6:19 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Barker family.



December 27 at 4:21 AM



**Republic Services, Elyria Division** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of James.



December 27 at 4:21 AM



# **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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