



## Barry A. Higgins

February 2, 1954 - January 15, 2022

Barry A. Higgins, age 67, of New Haven, passed away on January 15, 2022. He was born on February 2, 1954, in Mt. Clemens, to the late Arthur and Lila Higgins.

Barry retired in 2015, from the New Haven Community Schools, where he drove a bus, for 39 years. He affectionately known as, "Mr. Barry". He was loved by kids and parents alike. Barry also enjoyed classic cars and collecting antiques.

He is survived by his brother, Scott Higgins, nephew, Ian Higgins, niece, Deidre (Brian) Higgins-Plaeck, and great niece, Cheyenne Marie Plaeck. He was preceded in death by his brother, Craig Higgins.

Services will be private.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home - New Haven.

# Tribute Wall

TK

“ I'll miss Barry. Wish we could have gotten together one more time. We truly grew up together and I consider him a dear friend to this day. My condolences to Scott and the rest of Barry's family.

*Tom Kjerrumgaard*

Tom Kjerrumgaard - February 19, 2022 at 01:47 PM

RH

“ Barry was my friend since we were 5 years old. We were classmates all through our school years in New Haven. So many memories were made as we grew up together. Rest in peace my lifelong friend.

Robert Harm - January 22, 2022 at 10:34 AM

MC

“ Our sincere and deepest condolences to the Higgins family. Barry was my husband's classmate. I remember him being a bus driver when I was in elementary and middle school. He will truly be missed by all. May God give comfort and peace to the family at this time,

*Maria Calhoun-Walton, Charles Walton*

Maria Calhoun-Walton - January 18, 2022 at 12:19 PM



DP

Thank you ❤️ and thank you for sharing your memories with us we loved reading it.

*Deidre Higgins-Palecki (niece)*

Deidre Palecki - January 18, 2022 at 08:34 PM

RO

“ Mr. Barry was my bus driver my entire life, as he knew my grandma, who also drove bus for New Haven while Barry was still in school. He graduated in the same class as my father. He was always a kind and gentle soul, and my grandma trusted nobody but him to get me to school safely on those cold and early mornings.

We lost touch with Barry after his retirement but thought about him frequently. His passing came as a shock to us all and the Bliss family sends its deepest condolences and love to his family during this incredibly difficult time.

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**Robin** - January 18, 2022 at 09:12 AM

DP

Thank you ❤️ and thank you for sharing your memories with us we loved reading it.

*Deidre Higgins-Palecki (niece)*

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**Deidre Palecki** - January 18, 2022 at 08:34 PM

SR

“ I have known Barry since the late 1960's. He was almost like a member of the family. Living in a small community like New Haven, it seemed everyone knew of everyone else. Barry's Dad was postmaster for many years. Barry, it seemed dropped by at least 4-5 times a week, just to set around, and converse with the family, or whoever was over. Again, everybody knew everyone else. So sitting on the front porch, or in the back yard, and having a cold drink, talking, was what you did in that time era. Barry had the gift to gab, and always had a lot of interesting things to converse about. I haven't seen Barry in a number of years, but I do remember seeing him drive the bus around, when I was in the NH vicinity. My sincerest condolences to Barry's family. I am sure he is in heaven, once again with his brother Craig, and his parents. Rest in peace, dear Barry. Sally (Hartwig) Reygaert

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**Sally (Hartwig) Reygaert** - January 17, 2022 at 05:51 PM

DP

*Thank you ❤️ and thank you for sharing your memories with us we loved reading it.*

*Deidre Higgins-Palecki (niece)*

**Deidre Palecki** - January 18, 2022 at 08:34 PM

PC

“ I am so very sorry 😞 for you loss. My name is Patricia Calhoun, and I use to ride as a bus aide for Barry. What a wonder person and friend he was. He had such a since of humor, always had me laughing. I really enjoyed the time I worked with him. He will truly be missed. My friend always.



**Patricia Calhoun** - January 17, 2022 at 01:59 PM

PC

*I will always remember his kindness ❤️ to all the children that road the bus, and how much they love him. My God be with his family through this 🙏 time of sorrow. God bless you all. R.I.P my friend Mr. Barry.*

**Patricia Calhoun** - January 18, 2022 at 04:49 PM

DP

*Thank you ❤️ and thank you for sharing your memories with us we loved reading it*

*Deidre Higgins-Palecki (niece)*

**Deidre Palecki** - January 18, 2022 at 08:32 PM

LB

*Good Morning All! My name is Lynnwood Baade and I wish all the best for the Class of 1972. Barry and I spent countless hours together, cruising the country roads and discussing the issues of our lives. Some of our classmates have passed on, but I think of you Bobby and Tom often, and wonder where the years and others went. Barry was a sensitive, caring person, who sought the best out of life. I am grateful for the time I had with him, and for growing up in our little town! May God Bless You All!*

*Lynnwood Baade.....*

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**Lynnwood Baade** - April 04, 2022 at 10:39 AM