



Mr. Edward W. Barbret

August 12, 1927 - October 28, 2015

Edward W. Barbret, age 88, of St. Clair Shores, passed away on October 28, 2015. He was born on August 12, 1927, in Detroit, to the late Rudolph and Elsie Barbret. He married Bonnie L. Burns, on October 6, 1956, in St. Clair Shores.

Ed retired from Chrysler Corporation, after 30 years of service. He enjoyed collecting Lionel trains and restoring old cars. He was very handy, he built the family home, raised his children there and lived out his life there. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Bonnie of St. Clair Shores, son, Douglas of Casco, son, Dave (Dawn) of Chesterfield, along with several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his two brothers; Lloyd and Donald.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at 7:30pm in the Jowett Funeral Home – 57737 Gratiot, New Haven. Visiting hours will be from 3:00pm until time of service at 7:30pm.

Memorial tributes can be made to the wishes of the family.

View obituary and share memories at www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 5. 3:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - New Haven
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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward W. Barbret.*



November 05, 2015 at 02:57 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mr. Edward W. Barbret.*



November 02, 2015 at 04:48 PM



“ *Robin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward W. Barbret*



Robin - October 30, 2015 at 03:14 PM



I knew Ed for decades, FIRST at Chrysler Transport, also through the Lionel 0-gauge train hobby, and both of us being Pre-war car owners. Sir Ed and I got together several times in our later years. Ed came to our home on several occasions to visit, and he helped in the original set up of our train layout in our basement. You were a great friend Ed, you will be missed.

Bill Benenati

Bill Benenati - October 31, 2015 at 01:18 PM

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*Our sympathy goes out to Bonnie, Dave & Doug and their families.
Randy & Debbie Barbret*

Debra Barbret - November 02, 2015 at 08:18 AM

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I met Ed in the Fall of 1984 or Spring of 1985. He was Secretary/Treasurer of the TCA Great Lakes Chapter (Detroit area). It was then, also, I met Bob Long. Ed and Bob have been friends even longer than myself and Ed. Bob knows of Ed's passing and told me throughout the years too many have passed and he would prefer to remember Ed as he truly was. Bob and I still remain friends to this day. Throughout the years Ed and I became closer friends and he really helped me with purchasing and repairing Lionel Trains. Also, both of us were Chrysler Corporation employees. Both retirees of Chrysler Corporation. Ed drove truck for Chrysler Transport and through that tenure knew where all the train shops were and, at times, stopped to purchase Lionel Trains in his free time. Ed taught me a lot about Lionel Trains and helped me with building my permanent layout and switch problems and how to properly insulate track for power or automatic switch control.

I visited Ed, along with wife Bonnie, many, many times and visited sons Doug and David in the construction of their poll barns for work and protection of Ed's vast 25 cars and trucks of which he loved so much. He was a terrific mechanic and knew cars, trucks, and Lionel Trains like the back of his hand.

Ed was a patient man and answered questions with ease. At times, he was shrewd, especially when it came down to money.

I will miss our visits together. I'll NEVER forget you and I pray, someday, we will meet again.

*Dennis Laurence
dlaurence586@att.net*

Dennis Laurence - November 05, 2015 at 09:28 AM