



David Stimson Barber

October 17, 1946 - July 19, 2016

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David Stimson Barber (Dave) passed away on Tuesday, July 19th after a brief illness with his family by his side. He was born on October 17th, 1946, in Torrington, WY and was the youngest boy in a family of 11 children. He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Elizabeth Barber, brothers Larry Joe, John, Jim, and Allen, his sisters Shirley and Linda, and his loving daughter, Janelle.

Dave attended Torrington High School and married Pamela Schaub in 1965 – in May of this year, Dave and Pam celebrated their 51st anniversary which was one of his proudest achievements. At the time of their marriage, he served in the United States Navy as a boat commander during the Vietnam War. Throughout his life he was a strong supporter of the military and served as the Commander of the Torrington chapter of the VFW for 3 consecutive years during the 1990's. After being discharged from the Navy, Dave began a career in law enforcement after graduating from the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy in Laramie. He served as a police officer in Torrington and Newcastle, WY and as a deputy sheriff before becoming the Chief of Police in Douglas. At that time, he was the youngest Police Chief in Wyoming history. While serving as Chief, he was named as President of the Converse County Peace Officers Association as well as Assistant Chairman of the Governor's Crime Committee for the Wyoming Region. He was also voted

Converse County Peace Officer of the Year and was a volunteer fireman as well as a past member of the JC's, the American Legion, The Shriners, and the Masons.

For the past 35+ years, Dave has owned and operated Barber Tree Service in Torrington and was a friend to many people in the community. He has always been known for having a kind word and a generous spirit and often donated his time and company's services to people in need. Dave also had a keen sense of humor and he loved to tell stories and jokes to everybody he met. His favorite part of each day was having coffee with all of his buddies and although the majority of time they spent together was centered around who could give the people in the group the hardest time, he considered those guys his best friends. He enjoyed music and loved to sing for anybody who would listen and also enjoyed hunting and fishing earlier in his life. His main priority in life, however, was his family and his last years consisted of spending time with all of his grandchildren and, more recently, great-grandchildren, all of whom he loved more than life itself.

Dave is survived by his wife Pam, son and daughter-in law John and Denise Barber of Evergreen, CO, grandchildren Shaylee Howe, Kaylynn Soliz, Cameron Cook, and Jackson Riefschneider, great-grandchildren Carter and Aaliyah, his brother Dick Barber and sisters Mary Ellis, Judy Walker, and Pam Noland.

A memorial service in honor of Dave's life will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, July 22nd, at the Pony Express Room at the Lincoln Community Complex located at the corner of East D Street and 23rd Avenue in Torrington, WY.

Cemetery Details

Valley View Cemetery

30th Avenue
Torrington, WY 82240

Previous Events

Service

JUL **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Pony Express Room at the Lincoln Center
436 East 22nd
Torrington, WY 82240

Tribute Wall

RM

“ Robert Melton lit a candle in memory of David Stimson Barber



Robert Melton - August 07, 2016 at 02:27 PM



“ Robert Melton lit a candle in memory of David Stimson Barber



Robert Melton - July 22, 2016 at 03:16 PM

LD

“ Linda Dawkins lit a candle in memory of David Stimson Barber



Linda Dawkins - July 22, 2016 at 01:40 PM

Tia
Lisa
Meister

“ Took that "coffee to go" just a bit too soon buddy. Your onery streak and humor will be greatly missed.



Tia Lisa Meister - July 22, 2016 at 09:33 AM

BM

“ *Bob Melton lit a candle in memory of David Stimson Barber*



Bob Melton - July 22, 2016 at 04:43 AM

TA

“ *Traci Feagler Ackerman lit a candle in memory of David Stimson Barber*



Traci Feagler Ackerman - July 21, 2016 at 10:39 PM

MB

*Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. May Dave rest in peace.
Dave & Midge McElhaney Bussey*

Midge McElhaney Bussey - July 22, 2016 at 05:02 PM

RF

“ *Richard & Cindy Feagler lit a candle in memory of David Stimson Barber*



Richard & Cindy Feagler - July 21, 2016 at 10:36 PM

TB

“ Sorry to hear about Dave's passing. We lost Bill in 2006. Prayers for your family.

Tory Babcock

Tory Babcock - July 21, 2016 at 04:12 PM

JP

“ So very sorry to see this. Dave was such a nice guy. We went to school together there in Torrington. It seems every time I was able to get back there we would run into each other at the store or some where. He always had some joke to either pull on me or tell me. He will be missed. Prayers for the family. Janet armstrong pitman

Janet Armstrong Pitman - July 21, 2016 at 03:12 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of David Stimson Barber.



July 21, 2016 at 01:19 PM