



Philip F. Barrows Jr.

February 7, 1951 - June 22, 2019

SHIRLEY: Philip F. “Skip” Barrows, Jr., 68, of Chesapeake, VA formerly of Shirley, died unexpectedly, Saturday June 22, 2019 while he and his grandson, Hayden, were vacationing with relatives in Shirley.

Mr. Barrows served his country for 20 years in the United States Navy retiring in 1989 as a Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Air Traffic Controller. He was a member of the the American Legion.

Following his retirement from the armed services, he worked in many the Quality Control positions finally retiring in 2013 from Bemis Associates in Shirley.

Mr. Barrows was born in Fayetteville, NC, February 7, 1951, a son of the late Philip F. And Velma Marie (Van Sice) Barrows and resided much of his life in Shirley. Being an “Army brat” he was blessed at a young age to travel the world including living in France and Germany.

The love of his life was his family. He enjoyed traveling specifically to visit family members from all over and loved dearly to plan family vacations. He very much wanted to take his family to both Disney World and back to Italy where he lived for many years.

The second love of his life, which he shares with his family is the Boston Red Sox. He is a long-time member of the Red Sox Nation, has a permanent brick with his name at Fenway Park and never missed a game.

He leaves two daughters, Michele L. Barrows and her significant other, Joshua Poland, of Chesapeake, VA, Christine M. Barrows and her wife, Mary

Barrows, of Portsmouth, VA; two sisters, Kathleen Schaeffer and Stephanie Barrows both of Shirley; two aunts, Filomena Barrows of Endicott, NY, Mary Becker and her husband, Carl, of Interlaken, NY; two sisters in law, Sarah Barrows of NY, Sandy Barrows of Feeding Hills, two grandsons, Hayden Philip Burkhart, Maximino Echevaria III; five step grandchildren, Kaelyn, Phinneaus, Atticus, Linus and Lucy; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was predeceased by his brothers, Michael Barrows of Sackets Harbor, NY and Gregory Barrows of Feeding Hills.

A funeral service will be held 11 AM Saturday, June 29, 2019 at Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd, (Rte 2A) Ayer.

Mr. Barrows' family will receive family and friends on Saturday from 10 AM until the time of the service. Those attending are encouraged to wear their Red Sox apparel or their Crocs.

An additional Memorial Service will be held in Virginia at a day and time to be announced.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A
Ayer, MA 01432
(978) 772-2355

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

MW

“ I’m so honored to have you as a neighbor. You were always so caring and thoughtful. Always lending a thoughtful ear to my daily struggles. I am going to really miss those fresh-baked cookies you make for family every Christmas. :) I am also going to miss our talks or just the simple “hi Mary” I heard when I saw you across the street. You will be truly missed by many. I will continue to pray for your lovely family. RIP Skip

Mary Weaverling - June 30, 2019 at 08:34 PM

CW

“ I had the privilege of working with Skip at NAS OCEANA. He was a fine Chief who was both admired and respected by juniors and seniors alike. As the Air Traffic Control Radar Chief, Skip was the go to guy concerning Terminal Enroute Radar Procedures and so much more. His life and commitment to our nation was self evident to every sailor he worked with. I salute you my friend, my shipmate, and wish you fair winds and following seas 🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸

Charles Wolfe - June 30, 2019 at 12:35 PM

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“ The Barrows/Harris Jacksonville, NC Family purchased the Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Philip F. Barrows Jr..



The Barrows/Harris Jacksonville, NC Family - June 26, 2019 at 12:57 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Philip F. Barrows Jr..*



June 26, 2019 at 12:05 PM



“ *My deepest sympathies to the Barrows family. First time I met Skip at Bemis we were both wearing RED SOX hats and shirts. I knew right away we would get along well. Since that day our talks have been about family, RED SOX and our time in the military. He in the Navy and I in the Army. I was fortunate to share RED SOX games with Skip at Fenway and Camden Yards in Baltimore. We also went to a couple of RED SOX World Series parades together. I will miss our texting back and fourth during games and our lunches a Devens Grill when he was up from Virginia. Thank you for your service to our great country and rest in peace my RED SOX NATION BROTHER !!!*

Dan Matos

Dan Matos - June 25, 2019 at 06:04 PM



“ *All of my love, thoughts and prayers to Michele and her family. ❤️❤️*

Chris Budd - June 25, 2019 at 04:53 PM



Jeanmarie Williams

“ Stephanie, I can't even tell you how very sorry I am. I know how beloved your brother is to you. My heart aches for you and your family. Always know that your "work family" is here for you and loves you dearly.

Jeanmarie Williams - June 25, 2019 at 04:07 PM



DD

“ I'm so very sorry for Skip's family at the loss of their father, grandfather and brother. Skip was a great friend to so many and one I treasured. I'll miss our coffee visits, sharing stories about our families and our own lives, laughing at the aging process and his positive attitude about life in general. Rest In Peace my friend, until I see you on the other side.

Deb Delaite - June 24, 2019 at 03:54 PM



LD

“ I'm so sad to hear of Skip passing. Sending hugs and prayers to Kathy and Stephanie at this difficult time. 🙏🙏

Lucille DaCosta - June 24, 2019 at 03:15 PM



SM

“ So very sorry to hear the passing of Skip. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this very difficult time.

*R.I.P Skip and Thank You for your Service
Sharon (Jette) & Bill Mauro*

Sharon Mauro - June 24, 2019 at 02:27 PM