



## Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett

January 12, 1952 - November 1, 2021

Robert “Bob” Charles Barrett, passed away on November 1, 2021 in Orlando, Florida. He died peacefully, surrounded by family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Bobbie, his children Jeff Barrett (Nicole), Jason Barrett (Laura), Cuyler Hill, Michael Ann Woodard (Michael), Merritt Gilbert (Ben), and Torrey Hill (Katie) and his grandchildren Jackson, Blake, William, Jordan, Gia, Rose, and Theo.

Bob was born on January 12, 1952, in Keokuk, Iowa and grew up in Macomb, Illinois. He received his bachelor’s degree with honors from the University of Illinois in 1974 and his juris doctorate with honors from the University of Florida in 1978.

Bob was a pillar of the Central Florida legal community. He was frequently named to numerous “Best” and “Top 100” lawyers lists throughout his career. He was recognized in “Florida’s Top Attorneys” by The Wall Street Journal. He was inducted into the Workers’ Compensation Hall of Fame in 2019 and was recognized by his peers as “One of the 55 Best Lawyers in Orlando” every year since 2002.

While Bob's professional accomplishments as an attorney are noteworthy, they did not define him as a person. Accolades were anathema to his

midwestern sensibilities. His most impressive talent was his ability to make others feel important. His sense of humor and genuine interest in people had a gravitational effect. Everybody wanted to be around Bob.

He loved to hear people's stories. Anyone who spoke with him would be forgiven for walking away from the conversation thinking they were the most interesting person in the room. That was Bob's way: always others, never himself.

Bob loved being on the water. Whether navigating the channels of Sarasota or cruising the Butler Chain of Lakes, his passion for boating was contagious -- a fact that made his mediocre swimming ability all the more bewildering.

Bob was at his best with his family. The mutual and enduring love and respect shared by Bob and his wife, Bobbie, or "The Bobs," has been a beacon of inspiration to their many children and friends. Constant companions, the Bobs could most frequently be found in their natural habitat on the water.

Sounds of laughter filled the house when Bob Barrett was holding forth. He was always ready with a kind word or a slice of wisdom. The lessons and joy he shared with his wife and children will never be forgotten.

Services streamed over the DeGusipe Funeral Home Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/DeGusipeFH/>

The family of Bob Barrett invites you to leave a message of condolence on the Tribute Wall created in his memory.

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# Tribute Wall

MW

“ I knew Bob well. He hid his demons in the bottle. I truly wish he would have ended it. Alcohol and its sequelae kill people.

Mary waite - February 24, 2025 at 11:30 AM

MW

For what it's worth (nothing), I adored Bob. There were never flirtations or sex despite the rumors I heard. The dude was a friend. This is hardly the place, but a new woman wasn't gonna fix this guy. What a weird obituary. Looks like an awkward "Steve Rissman" to me.

Mary Ellen Waite - November 04, 2025 at 06:33 AM

MW

I truly apologize for the forgoing. I was not party to the decedent's personal life at all. I had just lost my long time partner who was in recovery and went on a strange rant. It't just that I'd heard some things. I hope you are resting in paradise, Bob.

Mary Ellen Waite - December 09, 2025 at 10:23 AM

EG

“ I was saddened to recently learn that Bob had passed away . He was truly one of the nicest person I ever met and without any question the best attorney I had the pleasure of working with over the years . My heart goes out to his family and his law firm colleagues who I know will miss his engaging personality and vast knowledge of law . My deepest sorrow. Edward Guzy

Edward Guzy - January 09, 2022 at 03:03 PM

HK

“ I cannot believe I am writing this about Bob Barrett. I cannot believe the twinkle in his eye has been extinguished. Certainly not in the minds of the literally thousands who knew him. The passing of some folks hits me – – most of us I guess – – harder than others. Bob is one of these. There’s a simple reason for it. Bob earned straight A+’s on the report card of life. If you had a problem with Bob, generally speaking, you had a problem. I will miss our infrequent get-togethers and wish the very best for his family who, while suffering a devastating and untimely loss, have nevertheless been propelled far along the happiness fork on the road of life for their precious time with him.

h. George Kagan - November 08, 2021 at 06:22 PM

TW

“ Genuine, kind, impressive, far from intimidating - yet a giant in his own right. He was a major presence and this is an incredibly huge loss. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.

Tina Wilson - November 08, 2021 at 09:06 AM

YB

“ Yoli Martinez at Rissman, Barrett. purchased the Treasured Memory - 8" x 7" Frame (Holds 4x6 Photo) for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



Yoli Martinez at Rissman, Barrett. - November 08, 2021 at 07:36 AM

JM

“ When I first got into claims in the mid 80s, I was blessed to work for an amazing company (Crum & Forster Commercial Insurance), who believed in training and education and laid the foundation. When I was promoted to a lost time adjusting desk at Crum, Liz Morris said, “If you have questions, whether it’s a file they have or just a WC question, call Barrett.” From the first moment I spoke to Bob Barrett, the firm had me at hello.

Steve Rissman, Bob Barrett were my mentors. They and for the most part, the entire WC legal team at Rissman, Barrett, had everything to do with my success. I had such a level of respect for Bob; he was one-of-a-kind; always available, always responsive, always returned my calls and never made me feel like I asked a stupid question. I later became comfortable with the other associates, in spreading the wealth of my questions, so to speak, so as not to take up all of Bob and Steve’s time. That goes to the type of work ethic the partners and the firm instilled on their associates.

I am completely devastated; my heart is broken for his family/friends/work family. While I haven’t seen him in a bit, I guarantee you I could walk into room and he would look at me and say... “Jamieeeee, how are you?” and give me the biggest hug. When I saw him at the WC Conference not long after my son Justin was killed, he walked up to me and gave me a hug and whispered, “Please let us know if you need anything.” Thank you Bob for your dedication to this industry and for sharing your infinite wisdom and knowledge of the law with so many of us. More importantly, thank you for being such amazing mentor and friend over the years. Rest peacefully ❤️ 😞

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**Jamie McWilliams** - November 07, 2021 at 03:40 PM

SM

“ Whenever I had a case against Bob over the years, I had two thoughts: "Oh no, I have to deal with this dude!" and "Awesome, I'll get to spend some time with him!"

*I can't ever remember being around Bob where he didn't have me smiling, laughing and inspired. He always seemed profoundly interested in others' lives and listened intently when they told him. I admired his rich love of learning and adventure, his intellect and genuine sense of humor.*

*It's hard to imagine a world without Bob. I'm very sorry he is gone and will think of him often.*

*Steve Meyers*

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**Steven M Meyers** - November 07, 2021 at 02:52 PM

TH

“ I met Bob 50 years ago when we were in the same Delta Chi pledge class as freshmen at the University of Illinois. We became best of friends in very short order and roomed together until graduation in 1974. Bob was best man at my wedding a few months later. We vacationed together with our families over the years and stayed in contact even though a thousand miles separated us. I thank the Lord for bringing Bob into my life. It was a Wonderful ride my friend.....Until we meet again.

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**Tom Harrington** - November 07, 2021 at 01:36 PM

CF

“ My Dearest Bobbie, I am so so sorry for your loss. I know how much you loved Bob. Sending hugs and prayers to you and your families way. I will be thinking of you. Again, my deepest condolences.  
*Love you, Catherine*

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**Catherine Frommer** - November 07, 2021 at 10:47 AM

AH

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Bob for at least 28 years. To me, Bob was not only a model lawyer and a true professional but more importantly, he was a good man and great friend. I always enjoyed having Bob on any case because truthfully, he made me a better attorney. I greatly respected him and only hope I earned his respect over these many, many years. To say Bob had a presence about him is certainly an understatement. He was skilled, steady and wise in his ways. So much could be learned by our legal community from the way he practiced. Bob’s skill and continuing impact can easily be seen in so many of the fine attorneys he trained over these years.



*I will miss him and his great conversations. My heart goes out to Bobbie and his family who he cherished so deeply.*

*Heaven certainly has a great one. Rest In Peace my friend.*

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**Alfred Hilado** - November 07, 2021 at 09:55 AM



“ I had the pleasure of getting to know Bob over the last couple years as we worked together on a mutual client. Bob quickly became one of the people I looked up to most at the firm. He was comfortable with himself in a way that allowed others to be comfortable with themselves. He was easy to talk to. He was dedicated, supportive and loads of fun. I felt like I could be myself around Bob without fear of judgment. I knew Bob would shoot me straight and I trusted him implicitly.

*I loved seeing the twinkle in Bob’s eye when I would ask whether we could Include a borderline inappropriate lyric in one of the firm’s Christmas party songs. He would always say yes because “Meredith, that’s what makes it funny.”*

*Losing Bob is a tremendous blow to the firm because he represented the best of us. To the family, I can’t imagine your heartache. I’ll be keeping you all close to my heart.*

*-Meredith S.*

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**Meredith Stephens** - November 06, 2021 at 11:28 PM



“ *Bob and his firm were on the other side of the coin with my firm from day one. Yet no other person and firm do i respect more. The firm was a family. Partners vacationed and partied. Shared good times and grief. As i watched i tried to emulate that collegial spirit at my own firm.*

*Bob was a big personality with a small ego as great a lawyer as he was.*

*This was a big shock because as we all have aged Bob never seemed to. He looked like he did when he and my wife worked together at Akerman in the early 80s.*

*He was Benjamin Buttons.*

*Today not only does his firm and family grieve but the rest of the legal community grieves as well.*

*We have few legends. Bob Barrett was a legend .*

*Legends live forever . John Morgan*

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**John Morgan** - November 06, 2021 at 06:52 PM

MW

*You're not a legend, John. Nor was Bob, who I knew well and adored. Booze killed him. Pot killed my partner of fifteen years recently. Get your act together and grow some balls. Run for governor as a democrat.*

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**Mary Ellen Waite** - November 04, 2025 at 07:09 AM

LS

“ I worked on Bob's team for 20 years. He was a wonderful person and boss. I can actually say I never saw Bob angry even when he had the right to be! One of my earliest memories was the celebration of birthdays! Bob could always be found wandering the hallways looking for sweets.

*He and Eileen are dancing in heaven! He will be greatly missed.*

*My deepest condolences and prayers to his family, partners and co-workers.*

*Love,*

*Linda Sotnick*

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**Linda Sotnick** - November 06, 2021 at 03:57 PM

SW

“ I got to know Bob through his law firm, but like so many of us in this industry, Bob became a friend. I am so fortunate to have had the opportunity to get to know him over the years. I will never forget our discussions from workers compensation, sports, TV shows or the latest gadget that could make our lives easier. RIP Bob, I know, like so many, I am better for having the opportunity to have known you. My thoughts and prayers to your family.

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**Scott Westman** - November 06, 2021 at 03:24 PM

BB

*Scott, you and I haven't gotten the opportunity to spend a lot of time together, but Bob loved your times together and would repeat the "funny" teasing of each of your styles. Wish we had more time with him and you to dig down on all the stories. Bobbie*

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**Bobbie Barrett** - November 06, 2021 at 09:05 PM

SG

*Bob was my mentor, my partner, my muse, my friend. I will adore him through the ages. If memories are the key to keeping someone present, this man will live forever. The world is smaller today. Our love for you, B.O.B., will never diminish.*

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stacie greene - November 07, 2021 at 02:01 PM



“ *Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 06, 2021 at 01:56 PM

JS

“ *Bob and I met as freshman roommates 51 years ago. Two days later we both had a class on the other side of campus and it was raining. He had a bike and I had an umbrella. He said sit on my handle bars and hold that umbrella and I'll pedal. It worked. I wish I had a picture. After the first week of class in January we decided we need a Florida vacation so we drove my VW Bug to Ft Lauderdale from Illinois nonstop for some beach time. I think that trip got Bob thinking Florida long term. Many trips followed over the years. Some of the best were on motorcycles in the Colorado mountains. Two years ago after barely making it over the highest 4-wheel drive pass in the state we stopped for a cocktail in the town of Leadville. We toasted to our success and then Bob says, Moose, I'm not going back that way. Bob made me laugh at times till I could hardly breath. There was no such thing as a bad mood with Bob. I'm gonna miss that guy. Thanks Bob, I'll see you later.*

*Jeff Sanderson (Moose)*

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Jeff Sanderson - November 06, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 06, 2021 at 01:19 PM



“ *Bob Rabits and Fulvio Romano purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Bob Rabits and Fulvio Romano** - November 06, 2021 at 12:05 PM



“ *Thomas Loden, U-Haul International purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Thomas Loden, U-Haul International** - November 06, 2021 at 11:08 AM

EW

“ Our fondest memories of Bob are from the many wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners they shared with us, The house would be filled with lots of family and friends as team Bobbie and team Bob battled each other for the coveted best bird award. While Bob fancied himself the best gobbler griller in the south, he truly reigned supreme as the master of mixology. Always the ultimate host, Bob was known for service of the infamous "refreshing beverage" (or two or three...). Sorry Bob, but not even your love for ping pong can beat your martini!

*If you were blessed to have known Bob then you will agree Bob's most wonderful attribute & greatest gift of all was his deep enduring love for Bobbie and their family.*

*As our daughter Alyssa said, Heaven just got a lot more fun! I'm sure Bob will be named as "The Best" and "Top Heavenly Recruit".  
Cheers to Bob!*

*Estella and Alan Woodard*

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**Estella Woodard** - November 05, 2021 at 09:25 PM



“ Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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November 05, 2021 at 09:08 PM



“ *John Daly purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**John Daly** - November 05, 2021 at 06:57 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 05, 2021 at 01:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 05, 2021 at 01:07 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 05, 2021 at 11:01 AM

JF

“ The description of Bob's personality and kind nature is so spot on. He was one of the smartest, kindest, most humble people I have had the honor of knowing in the work comp industry in Florida. I loved discussing cases with him, he loved being "stumped" on the hard, strange cases but took the time to walk you through and always made you feel positive and "almost" as smart as he was on the law. I am so grateful to have known him, to have shared meals with him and to have laughed and shared good times with a wonderful person. Bob you will be missed tremendously and you have left an amazing legacy in the world of workers' compensation and beyond. My condolences to his family and his many friends and colleagues. God bless and rest in peace. Judy FitzSimons

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**Judy FitzSimons** - November 05, 2021 at 09:55 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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November 05, 2021 at 09:26 AM

BO

“ My deepest condolences to Bob's family. I had the pleasure to have known Bob through our work endeavors for over 30 years. His professional knowledge and skill was a given, but I concur with many that his sincere engaging nature made our interactions in every case a time I enjoyed and looked forward to. I will miss that. I will however remember him with a fond smile. God Bless you during this most difficult time.

*The O'Halloran's*

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**Bob O'Halloran** - November 05, 2021 at 08:46 AM

DC

“ *Dave and Eileen Myers Family, Colorado purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Dave and Eileen Myers Family, Colorado** - November 05, 2021  
at 01:51 AM

DS

“ *So many emotions right now, but our family was blessed to have Bob in our lives for a very long time. Bob was a true and loyal friend to my husband for 50+ years. Bob and my husband Jeff we're college dorm roommates at Univ of Illinois in 1970. They were fast friends and it was the beginning of a beautiful friendship. Shenanigans in the dorm and on campus, laughing and joking through that freshman year made the groundwork for a loving bond that endured. Bob christened Jeff's nickname "Moose" sarcastically, but the name stuck and has lasted all these years. I can truly say Jeff and Bob were like brothers in every sense of the word. When I married Jeff and then added our daughter Katherine, Bob welcomed us with caring, kindness and love. Bob's devotion to our family was a gift we can never repay. We send our deepest sympathy and love to his family, and we thank all of the Barrett-Hill family for always treating our family like family. We will forever miss Bob and we will keep him close in our memories and in our hearts always.*

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**Donna Sanderson** - November 04, 2021 at 10:40 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 06:23 PM



“ *Dearest Bobbie and Family - This is heartbreaking, and my thoughts are with you all. Bob was a king of men. I always appreciated his sense of humor, his smile and his sense of adventure. It was obvious how much he loved you all and how much he cherished Bobbie. That kind of love doesn't happen every day. He was such an amazing person with so much left to do. I have so many fond memories of Bob. One great memory is hearing him tell the story of how he and Bobbie went for a late night golf cart adventure at Westgate River Ranch. Oh, let's not forget how Bob could make a drink. Raise your hand if you've been on the other side of his heavy handed pours.*

*Bob would want all of you to honor his memory by continuing loving one another and by continuing to have adventures together. I love you guys, and I'm here for you.*

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**Christine Hentzell** - November 04, 2021 at 06:16 PM



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**Kathryn Barrett** - November 04, 2021 at 05:08 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 04:59 PM



“ *Please accept my sincere condolences. I have many great memories of Bob from Macomb High, the University of Illinois, and one fun visit to Orlando FL. May he rest in peace and may you all find solace in your own good memories of Bob.*  
- Carol Gaetano

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**Carol Gaetano** - November 04, 2021 at 04:19 PM



“ *Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 04:00 PM



“ *Orlando Orthopaedic Center purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Orlando Orthopaedic Center** - November 04, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 03:03 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 02:17 PM



“ *I was happy to have known Bob since the 80s. As a plaintiff lawyer, I had many cases with Bob...he was always personable, honest and ethical in his dealings with me. We also spent years on the Florida Bar Workers Comp Executive Council and had a chance to know him on a more personal basis. He was an excellent lawyer and a great human being. George Cappy..Tampa*

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**george Cappy** - November 04, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 02:09 PM

KP

“ I am so sorry about your loss and I also apologize for responding so late post the services. I had only recently heard of Bob's passing. I like to say that while I live in Palm Beach County I have known Bob for almost 40 years in our mutual practice area of Workers' Compensation and Insurance Defense. While we were business competitors I enjoyed Bob's company when we would have to attend those "mutual client mandatory meetings" where we would be told how things were expected to be handled. Bob was never shy about speaking his mind but did so in an incredibly respectful manner. There were occasions when both he and I would be involved in the same case representing different employers but the same carrier. Bob's was DAMN Smart and I respected that about him as well. I truly like Bob and he will be missed, at least from my professional perspective.

God bless him and your entire family

Sincerely,  
Keith Pallo Esq.

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Keith Pallo - November 04, 2021 at 01:30 PM

FF

“ FFVA Mutual Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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FFVA Mutual Family - November 04, 2021 at 01:08 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 12:56 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 12:55 PM



“ *Darce and I loved Bob and still dealing with loosing him to the next big adventure he is on.*

*My fondest memory is when he bought a drone only to fly it into the sea days later.*

*On a vacation together later that year we introduced Bob to Daces grandfather who is an actual drone pilot trainer. Before introducing them I st it up to appear we hired a professional trainer to come in so to train Bob on how to fly the thing. It took about 5 seconds before he figured the scam out but it was a wonderful 5 seconds. Bob will live in us for years to come and look forward to when we will see him again. Hopefully by then he will have mastered flying that drone.*

*Love you Bob,  
Jim and Darce*

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**jim newman** - November 04, 2021 at 12:45 PM

MS

“ We will always cherish our time spent with Bob and Bobbie. Bob was so great with the kids and with his guidance and love of all things. May all he touched be blessed with his memory.



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**MSB** - November 04, 2021 at 12:31 PM

AN

“ Bob was a miraculous person- he was personable and charismatic. He is truly one in a million. He mastered the art of conversation and makes each person he talks to feel like they are special in his eyes. Not to mention his cocktail skills are beyond. His love for his entire family was palpable. My favorite memories of Bob are always on the holidays when he and Bobbie graciously opened up their home, especially on Thanksgiving. Bob would greet me with a drink and proceed to ask deep questions about my life and offer the most amazing advice when working through life decisions. He was easy to talk to because he really cared. Their is a giant hole in all our hearts from his absence. God just gained the greatest Angel and Heaven just became a lot more fun- ping pong games and all. We love you all so so much

*Alyssa (Woodard) and Troy Newberg*

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**Alyssa Newberg** - November 04, 2021 at 12:29 PM

DH

“ *David and Sharon Hartwig purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**David and Sharon Hartwig** - November 04, 2021 at 12:20 PM

SP

“ *My deepest condolences to Bobbie and family and to his close law firm partners who were also his strong and devoted friends. Bob will be greatly missed by many. I had the pleasure of working with Bob since January 1990 when I was hired to be the firm's administrator. He was one of my "go to" people for the 29 years I worked with the firm until I retired. Always friendly, a great listener, always cool, calm, collected and collaborative, Bob was one of the key leaders who steered the firm so wisely. He was a major part of the "glue" who kept the leadership together all these years and with the foresight to help groom new leadership as well. I do not know if anyone could ever fill Bob's shoes. However, he has inspired many to rise to the occasion, and then some.*

*Scott Peterson*

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**Scott Peterson** - November 04, 2021 at 12:18 PM

NA

“ *Next Level Administrator purchased the Tropical Tribute Spray for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Next Level Administrator** - November 04, 2021 at 12:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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November 04, 2021 at 11:41 AM



“ I will start with how I met Bob and Bobbie over 20 years ago. We met them at bird island when Dave was giving out free beer from the keg on our boat. Bob and Bobbie became immediate friends. I think we went back to their home that day and Played ping pong. He was the most hospitable/caring and generous man I know. He always wanted to make sure you had a drink in your hand and was comfortable and taken care. We had so many midnight boat rides with so many laughs. I can go on and on. He will definitely be missed! Sending love to Bobbie and family. ❤️

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Ronda Shively - November 04, 2021 at 11:20 AM



“ Having known Bob since grade school, I remember a kind and unassuming fellow with an easy smile and good sense of humor. Our freshman year, for a science quiz, we were supposed to explain how and why a jar of pickles with a stuck lid could be opened by warming it under a stream of hot water. Our instructor, Mr. Calloway, would often read the answers to the class that he found interesting or humorous. I'm sure that Bob was playing to that when he wrote his answer: The hot water makes the pickles expand and they pop the top off the lid. Of course he knew better but couldn't resist. So sorry for your loss. It appears that he will be sorely missed in the community and by his family. A life well lived.

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Julie Catlin Schmidt - November 04, 2021 at 11:13 AM



“ One of my favorite memories of Bob happened when Jeff and I were moving up to college in Tallahassee. We were putting up a large frame and really needed to hang it on a stud. Bob ran out and grabbed a stud finder. He slid it on the wall for a second and then pulled it off the wall and attached it to himself while making a loud beeping sound. Jeff and I burst out laughing because it was such a corny joke. I have not been able to pull a stud finder out without doing the same thing ever since. Mr. Barrett will for sure be missed.

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**Matt Grier** - November 04, 2021 at 11:08 AM



“ Sunz Insurance Company purchased the Ringed by Love for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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**Sunz Insurance Company** - November 04, 2021 at 11:05 AM

NM

“ My deepest condolences to Bobbie and the family. I met Bob 6 years ago at Capricci Ricci. The following phrase from his obituary perfectly captures his essence, "His most impressive talent was his ability to make others feel important". Bob always came in with the biggest smile on his face, he was kind to everyone. My favorite memory of Bob happened in October of 2018. I said to Bob, "There was a bear sighting in my yard", he was super excited and wanted to see the video. I showed him a video of my toddler dressed as a bear, crawling in the grass and Bob let out the biggest laugh. After that visit, Bob was always sure to ask about Mason. He really had a way of making everyone feel special in his presence. I am so honored to have met Bob. He will be missed.  
My prayers to the family.

-Nikki Mazurak

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**Nikita Mazurak** - November 04, 2021 at 11:01 AM

BF

“ Blake Rehberg & Family purchased the [Memorial Trees](https://www.degusipefuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.

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**Blake Rehberg & Family** - November 04, 2021 at 11:01 AM

RG

“ Condolences to Bobby. I am so sorry.

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**Rick Geller** - November 04, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 10:42 AM

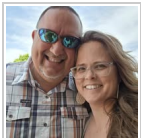


“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 10:40 AM



“ *I am so very grateful for the ways Bob spoke into my life and encouraged me over the span of about 15 years. As a young adult, I had the privilege of working for him, and later the honor of calling him friend. RBHD&M in the late 90s would celebrate birthdays with food galore - making a large cookie cake for Bob was one way I could show my love and appreciation for him. He truly was a great man – attentive, present, and generous. There is a void left in all our hearts, but we are all better because of who he was to the very core. There will never be another quite like him.*

*I am fervently praying for Bobbie and the family during this time. May God pour out grace and peace that surpasses all worldly understanding, and that you would find comfort in the arms of your Heavenly Father.*

*<3 Carolyn Collins Novak*

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**Carolyn Collins Novak** - November 04, 2021 at 10:37 AM

SB

“ Words cannot express how beloved Bob was. I had the extreme pleasure of working with Bob off and on for over 25 years. His knowledge in Workers' Compensation claims and application of the law were second to none. His personality was infectious. He truly loved people, expressed genuine concern always and although I'm sure he had his moments of worry or concern, you would never have known it. He always greeted with a great smile and had a joyous laugh. I enjoyed reminiscing about the days growing up in Illinois, detasseling corn, field parties, etc. I not only appreciated Bob being a professional colleague for his skill, but also regarded Bob as a friend. I will never forget when Bob and Bobbie attended my wedding and know it was some distance for them to come all that way out into the "sticks". That was a very special night and know all had a great time. Bob did not demonstrate his character by words, but more importantly his actions. I know his family was his pride and joy. My love and prayers go out to them all. We have all lost a light for sure in our lives and I am deeply saddened by his passing. God bless you Bob and God bless your wonderful family.

*Suzanne Banda*

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**Suzanne Banda** - November 04, 2021 at 10:32 AM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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November 04, 2021 at 10:09 AM

JK

“ During my many years at Rissman, my interactions with Bob always made me smile and left me able to go about my business with a light heart and sense of well-being because of his very warm and genuinely caring presence and spirit. He was an extremely kind man, soft spoken and had an aura that drew you to him. My very deepest condolences to you, Bobbie, and all of the family members of "The Bobs." Jean Klezos (formerly known as Jean Grant)



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**Jean Klezos** - November 04, 2021 at 10:04 AM

SB

“ My sincerest condolences to you and your family, Bobbie. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Sandy Battaglia** - November 04, 2021 at 10:03 AM

MP

“ Bobbie, My deepest condolences for you loss. May God give you strength to you and your family on this difficult time. Mr. Barrett was a great person and always had smile for everyone.. My years working for your family were one of the greatest experience! I would always remember his words of encouragement and support ..  
martha Perea

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**martha perea** - November 04, 2021 at 09:44 AM

KN

“ Bobbi and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Thinking of you at this difficult time.

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**Kim Neeson** - November 04, 2021 at 09:42 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 09:24 AM



“ *Gaby, Sam & Dustin (your favorite trio) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Gaby, Sam & Dustin (your favorite trio)** - November 04, 2021 at 09:19 AM



“ *Bobbie, I am so very sorry for the loss of Bob. I hope you will take comfort in knowing he will always be with you. My deepest condolences and prayers to you and to your entire family.*

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**Rachel Torres-Regis** - November 04, 2021 at 09:06 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 09:00 AM

CB

“ *Bob was and will always be a great man and proud to say a friend. He always had a smile and was always a pleasure to chat with. I will save and reflect on those memories for a long time. He lived life to fullest that's for sure and that inspired others to do the same.*

*Both Kym and I are heart broken for the family*

*Clive Burton*

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**Clive Burton** - November 04, 2021 at 08:24 AM



“ *I had several outstanding mentors during my years at the firm, but only one idol. My class of associates - Stacie, Kristin and Jamey Rodgers - all aspired to be like Bob. Intelligent, witty, charming and remarkably present, he set the bar impossibly high in these and so many other attributes.*

*Our hearts ache for Bobbie, his family and friends. May we find meaning in his example.*

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**John Daly** - November 04, 2021 at 08:08 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 04, 2021 at 07:30 AM

DR

“ Bob and Bobbie sat down at a table at one of my son, Robert, and Torrey’s Bishop Moore High School banquets. And my son Robert couldn’t quit talking about Bob and how much he thought of him and what kind of law he practiced and how interesting it was. (These were questions, no doubt, Robert was hitting him up on, not that Bob was offering up, lol !!) Later, Bobbie had told me that Bob was so impressed with Robert’s maturity level and skills talking about such subjects. This told me that Bob spent a lot of time paying attention to Robert. That’s just the type of person he was. He truly made everybody feel so special. This truly touched me, as well, that Bob would mentor my son. Bobbie, my heart breaks for you. You have both raised such amazing children and they are also in my thoughts and prayers. I’m truly heartbroken for all of you and so sorry.

Diane Roberts - November 04, 2021 at 05:41 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



November 03, 2021 at 11:43 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



November 03, 2021 at 11:00 PM

MH

“ I met Bob back in 1998 when I first began working the Florida territory and we met while working one of the most bizarre cases I’ve ever worked. Without question, if Bob was not one of the finest gentlemen I’ve ever met, then it would not take long to call the roll. Bob and I shared many stories over the years and I recall him sharing how his son choose Elon Univ. over all of the big Florida schools. As has been stated, Bob patiently listened to my many stories over the years. I don’t think I’ve ever met a person less absorbed with himself than Bob. To his legal family @ Rissman, you guys worked with a ONE OF A KIND. To Bobbi and his family, you guys lived with a ONE OF A KIND. While he physically may not be present, his memory and his spirit with be everlasting. Stay blessed and the memories and prayers will sustain you.

Mark Hicks

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Mark Hicks - November 03, 2021 at 10:57 PM

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Mark Hicks

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Mark Hicks - November 03, 2021 at 10:14 PM

HS

“ *Bob was a consummate professional and gentleman. I had the pleasure of meeting Bob soon after I left the bench and started mediating. Bob was one of my early clients who helped me get established. He would drive down to south Florida for some of the most difficult cases. He always praised my work and made me feel more worthy than I was, which is just one of the things that made him so special, I loved his dry and intelligent wit. I always learned something from our interactions. He will be sorely missed. My heartfelt condolences to his family, friends and partners.*

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**Howard Scheiner** - November 03, 2021 at 09:17 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 03, 2021 at 08:02 PM

JA

“ I didn't get to spend too much time with Bob, but the time I did have with him showed me how easy it truly is to make people feel welcome in life. He would include everyone he could in conversations and experiences, and I was lucky enough to benefit from that when spending time with Katie and Torrey. My favorite memory is from Katie and Torrey's engagement photo shoot. Bobbie, Bob and I went alongside the two of them to see their photo shoot live in action. I'll always remember how Bob was so eager to see the sun go down with his wife by his side on the beach - something they've probably done so many times together they can't keep count. It was so special to me to see the two of them make that sunset count when it was the norm for them in their Sarasota home. I think that's what Bob taught me: to make the most of every sunset. My thoughts and prayers are with one of the best families I've been lucky enough to get to know. Sending love to all.

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**Jacqueline** - November 03, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ Every time you talked with Bob it was a shame the conversation had to end. Whether working on a case, on phone or even if just I poked my head into his office he would always drop everything and have a great chat. Bobbie, my heart breaks for your whole family. Bob had just said he was looking forward to his son's SRQ wedding and then Covidless traveling with you. All my love, Dave

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**Dave Mallen** - November 03, 2021 at 07:32 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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November 03, 2021 at 07:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 03, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *Tonya Magee purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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**Tonya Magee** - November 03, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ *My prayers, thoughts and love are with the family during this time. Sending peace and comfort your way 🙏*

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**kristen duer** - November 03, 2021 at 05:55 PM



“ *Bobbie and family. I have no words to express how sorry Ari and I are at Bob's passing. He was a mentor to me and a great friend both to me and my family. I will always cherish his patience, his wisdom and his sense of humor. I know of no better person and will never forget his many kindnesses to me and so many others. Love and sympathy to you all, Bob Donahue*

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**Bob Donahue** - November 03, 2021 at 04:53 PM

JR

*My love and prayers go out to Bobbie and the entire family. Bob hired me for my first job in workers' compensation in 1988, and was a wonderful mentor. He was an excellent attorney, and a kind, generous, and thoughtful man. Rest In Peace, my friend.*

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**Jamey Rodgers** - November 03, 2021 at 08:03 PM

LR

*Bobbie, may you and your family have peace and comfort knowing that your husband/father is in a better place. I worked at Rissman Barrett and helped Mr Barrett on a matter. He was a class act. I'm sorry to learn of his passing and my heart goes out to you and your family. You were so kind when I lost my husband. God bless. Linda Ralston*

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**Linda Ralston** - November 04, 2021 at 10:22 PM

MA

*I came to Orlando in 1981 when me and Mick O'Brien were hired to replace two excellent lawyers who left to find their own destiny. These lawyers were named Bob Barrett and Bob Felice. Throughout the years the four of us had a unique connection and insight into the endless funny stories we all shared working as workers comp defense lawyers. To this day I miss the humor of Mick, Bob Felice and Bob Barrett that will forever bring a smile to my face. As the last of this foursome still on this planet, I would like to repeat to Bob's family the words of wisdom Joe Biden said at John McCain's funeral, the tears in your eyes will eventually turn into a smile on your face. In the words of the old Jewish saying, may Bob's memory be a blessing. It will for me.*  
*Love,*  
*Marshall Adler*

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**Marshall Adler** - November 06, 2021 at 10:08 PM

GR

“ I will never forget meeting Mr. Barrett for the first time back in 1989, when I first started at Rissman lawfirm. I thought he was the nicest, and most courteous attorney I had ever met. He always greeted me and with a smile and would ask how I was doing. So I have great memories of passing him in the stairwell several times with his briefcase and salad in hand and walking up the stairwell for exercise from the bottom floor all the way to 15th floor. I would always be walking down the stairwell from 15 to bottom floor for my exercise as well. I will miss this wonderful man. May God rest his soul.

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**Gina Ritzel** - November 03, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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November 03, 2021 at 04:40 PM

OA

“ Orlando Liability Associates purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.



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**Orlando Liability Associates** - November 03, 2021 at 04:38 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 03, 2021 at 04:27 PM



“ *I have worked with and known Bob since the beginning of time. He recently became active on one of my accounts and was just a wealth of knowledge. I remember I was so excited to work with him again as it had been a few years. He was a calm and amazing attorney and man. He will be missed.*

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**Beth Swonger** - November 03, 2021 at 04:16 PM



“ *Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Robert 'Bob' Charles Barrett.*



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November 03, 2021 at 04:04 PM