



Pastor Richard E. Barney

November 13, 1933 - March 29, 2016

Pastor Richard Ervin Barney, 82, died March 29, 2016 at Southern Oaks Assisted Living.

A native of Esko, Minnesota, son of the late George and Hennie Stenroos Barney, he was a retired minister having served the Upper Peninsula of Michigan for over 21 years and Minneapolis for 5 years and served many years in foreign mission work. Pastor Barney was a member of Eastside Apostolic Lutheran Church.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Elaine Sunnarborg Barney of the home; four sons, Thomas Barney (Helen) of Chassell, Michigan, David Barney (Janette) of Reedsburg, Wisconsin, Steve Barney of Moore, South Carolina and Bruce Barney (Hannah) of Chisholm, Minnesota; five daughters, Jacqueline Wuori (Steve) of Calgary, Canada, Susan Stromer of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Wendy Hanson (Tom) of Prinesville, Oregon, Kris Smith (Darrell) of Greer, South Carolina and Sara Matson of Nampa, Idaho; one brother, Curtis Barney of Chandler, Arizona; two sisters, Nancy Sunnarborg of Esko, Minnesota and Dolly Johnson of Pelkie, Michigan; thirty grandchildren and twenty-two great-grandchildren.

Pastor Barney was predeceased by five brothers, Ray, Bob, Darrell, Norm and Millard Barney, one sister, Marian Sunnarborg, a grandson, Nathan Wuori and a great-grandson, Skyler Impola.

Funeral services will be held 12:00 p.m. Saturday at Eastside Apostolic Lutheran Church, conducted by Pastor Raymond Hillman and Stephen Wuori.

Burial will follow in Hillcrest Memory Gardens.

Pallbearers will be Tom Barney, David Barney, Bruce Barney, Joe Stromer, Ryan Stromer and Brad Wuori.

Grandsons will serve as honorary escort.

Visitation will be held 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Saturday at the church.

The family is at the home.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

The funeral service will stream live at www.eastsidealc.org

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memory Gardens

14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Eastside Apostolic Lutheran Church
2200 Mays Bridge Road
Greer, SC 29651

Service

APR 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ *My sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Barney and her family. May your great Memories, our Lord and your LOVE for Richard sustain you now and in the coming days.
God's Peace.
John A. Sullivan
Houghton, MI*

John Sullivan - April 06, 2016 at 02:17 PM

JA

“ *The the Barney family, my deepest condolences. Pastor Barney was such a wonderful man and I have many, many great memories of him from when I was a child. He'll be deeply missed.*

Jaclyn - April 04, 2016 at 10:01 AM

RK

“ *It seemed so surreal to watch the funeral today online to say goodbye to the man who served as faithful pastor to the Tapiola church for so many years. He served as officiant for the funerals of both of my parents in 1986. Precious memories of how well he did in performing them. My sympathies go out to the entire family. He wore the boots of greatness with outstanding humility. Well done, faithful servant. May you now rest in peace.*

Rudy Kemppainen - April 03, 2016 at 05:05 AM

MM

“ *so sorry for your loss but rejoicing that Dick is in heaven with our Lord. He was always special to us. Praying for you. Mort and Mary Lou Mortenson*

Mort and Mary Lou Mortenson - April 01, 2016 at 10:10 PM

MD

“ We were blessed to have Pastor Barney perform our wedding. He was always a blessing in some way to others. We look forward meeting him again some day in heaven. Through our tears we echo the words of Psalm 30:5: "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning." Betty we love you. Merle & Peggy Davis .

Merle & Peggy Davis - April 01, 2016 at 04:05 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Pastor Richard E. Barney.



April 01, 2016 at 03:49 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pastor Richard E. Barney.



April 01, 2016 at 11:10 AM

LS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Such fond memories I have of Pastor Barney. He was always smiling. He loved the Lord and was a faithful servant sowing seeds into the hearts of the young and old. He was a dear friend to my dad Jim Johnson. I can see them now in heaven both smiling with indescribable joy as they sing songs of praise. May God comfort you all. God's peace! Lori Smith

lori smith - April 01, 2016 at 07:42 AM

MM

“ *Our Deepest sympathies and Condolences for your Family!! Love and Gods Peace, Eldon, Maija, Paul and Ivy Mosteller*

Marie Mosteller - March 31, 2016 at 02:39 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Pastor Richard E. Barney.*



March 31, 2016 at 12:15 PM

TC

“ *Tapiola Apostolic Lutheran Church congregation purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Pastor Richard E. Barney.*



Tapiola Apostolic Lutheran Church congregation - March 31, 2016 at 12:10 PM

JA

“ *What a blessing Richard was in my life. Richard was a great encourager. He would encourage me early on in my start as a financial advisor when we would have lunch together. I am SO thankful to have known Richard. I also know that him being in God's presence is a glorious thing for him today and one day I'll see him again in heaven!!*
John A.

John Allen - March 31, 2016 at 09:31 AM

GC

Pastor Barney was a great friend to me and our family and pastor of our Tapiola , Michigan church. We also spent many years on the Eastern Mission Board together and traveled to many monthly meetings and services that the Eastern Mission held. We had a real good board of people on the eastern Mission board and we traveled many miles each month to have the monthly meetings in different locations each month mostly in the U.P. at that time.

Most of the board at that time served many years.

I want to send our love and greetings from the Chapman family to the Barney family as we all knew them and enjoyed many times with them and all the people and congregation in Tapiola , Michigan. At the present time I Glenn am living in Cloquet, Minn. with daughter Colleen and husband Mike Sunnarborg.

In case you might not know my wife Evelyn passed away about 2 years ago in a hospital in Florida while we were visiting our son and family Barry and Becky Chapman.

Give our Love to all the families as you see them.

Glenn Chapman

Glenn Chapman - April 01, 2016 at 08:09 PM