



## John C. Barry

March 10, 1934 - February 25, 2023

On February 25, 2023, John C. Barry of Naples, Florida (formerly Bayport, New York) passed following a strong battle with cancer.

John was born and raised (683 LaGrange Street) in West Roxbury, Massachusetts to Catherine Corbett Barry (County Cork, Ireland) and John J. Barry (New York, NY). A lifelong Boston Red Sox fan, John graduated from The College of The Holy Cross (Worcester, MA.) in 1955.

For nearly 40 years, John was married to the love of his life Barbara. John met Barbara when she was a nursing school student in Boston, MA at a Holy Cross basketball game at the Boston Garden.

John and Barbara moved to Long Island in 1959 and settled in Bayport, NY. John and Barbara raised 6 children: John, Patrick, James, Ann, William, and Joe. John and Barbara have 13 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

After beginning his teaching career at Hull High School in Hull, MA., John earned his master's in education from Boston Teachers University and moved to then-growing Suffolk County, New York. John began teaching at Central Islip High School in 1959 until moving to Commack High School in 1964 with the opening of Commack High School. John taught high school history and coached varsity baseball until his retirement in 1997. John's favorite time of

the school year was teaching varsity baseball. John loved the fundamentals of baseball that he learned as the baseball team manager at Holy Cross.

Following Barbara's untimely passing in 1995, John retired and relocated to Naples, Florida.

He was a parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples, FL. During his life he was very active in the Knights of Columbus serving 2 terms as Grand Knight at St. Lawrence Council, Sayville, NY and 1 term as Grand Knight at St. John Council 11281 in Naples, FL. He was also The Faithful Navigator of the 4th Degree Our Lady of the Rosary Assembly 2542 in Bonita Springs from 2001-2003.

John enjoyed his family: Red Sox games, Cupsogue beach outings, and August family camping trips. Dad loved camping in the south: Mountain Dew, Stucky rolls, baseball on the transistor radio, and a campfire.

In 1999, John married Mary Leahy and continued to reside in Naples. In retirement, John enjoyed playing golf, the Naples Men's club, the Immokalee food kitchen and attending the Red Sox spring training and watching every inning of the Red Sox games.

John will be remembered for his backyard in Bayport NY, which was the neighborhood home of the Baywood Lane Bombers, for coaching the Varsity Commack Rams baseball club, and in later years traveling to see his grandchildren play sports and attending MLB in every stadium across the US.

John will be joining his wife Barbara and son Billy in heaven for a round of golf and a cookout organized by Billy.

His family will receive friends on Thursday, March 2, 2023, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home 28300 So. Tamiami Tr., Bonita Springs, FL.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, March 3, 2023, at 2:00 PM at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Ave. No., Naples, FL. Additional services and burial will be held at St. Lawrence Cemetery in Sayville, NY.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Lawrence Cemetery

Sayville, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home  
28300 Tamiami Trail So.  
Bonita Springs, FL 34134  
(239) 992-4982  
bonitafhbill@comcast.net

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church  
625 111th Ave N  
Naples, FL 34108

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sorry for your loss corbett of cork*

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**Denis Corbett** - December 18, 2023 at 04:01 AM



“ *John C. Barry*

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October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of John C. Barry.*



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March 02, 2023 at 12:57 AM



“ *John was a good friend and a caring man. I witnessed the love and respect John and Betty had for each other for many years. You shared a wonderful life together and you will meet again in heaven. I am so sorry for your loss Betty.*

*Love, Karin*

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**Karin** - March 01, 2023 at 09:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John C. Barry.*



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March 01, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ *Many of us at St. John the Evangelist parish will miss John, and we pray for his loving wife, Betty ( as she was known by John and all his friends in Naples). I have special memories, and appreciation for John and his faithful visits to my husband Rudy during Rudy's final difficult year. John and Betty were faithful parishioners at St. John's attending that early 7:00 mass on Sundays, and daily masses as well. They were regulars at the KofC social events, as well, and will be missed. Blessings to you, Betty, and may John now Rest In Peace.*

*Nancy Kamenick*

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**Nancy Kamenick** - March 01, 2023 at 10:26 AM