



Barry J. Crowley

August 16, 1959 - September 26, 2023

Barry J. Crowley, 64, of Concord Twp., died September 26, 2023 after suffering a heart attack while socializing with friends. He was born August 16, 1959 in Roseville, Michigan.

Barry worked as a police officer for the City of Painesville, Ohio. He studied at Lakeland Community College to start his over 40-year career as a police officer, beginning with the City of Mentor-on-the-Lake. He also served on the police forces in Willowick and North Perry, Ohio.

As a long-time boat owner and an avid fisherman, Barry enjoyed being on Lake Erie or even just relaxing on the boat when docked on the Chagrin River. He was also instrumental in helping his sister establish Emerita Winery in Madison, Ohio, frequently being the go-to person to complete odd jobs that would arise unexpectedly and need attention.

He enjoyed playing euchre with family and friends, mastering the six-handed version. His later years allowed him to spend more quality time socializing with friends and family. He always enjoyed sharing a good meal (especially a Ribeye steak dinner) to help make for a memorable event.

Survivors include his daughter, Kristina (David Rancourt) Crowley; sisters, Kathleen (Ann Moore) Crowley, and Kristina (Harry Dennison) Crowley; and

his brother, Vincent (Julie) Crowley, nieces, Kelly (Craig) Scott, Maisie Crowley, Delaney Crowley, and nephew, Jeff (Dawn) Stancavage.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Vincent and Lola Crowley; and his sister, Joanne (Ziggy) Stancavage.

The family will receive friends to celebrate Barry's life from 3pm to 7pm Friday, October 6, 2023 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

The family will again celebrate Barry's life on Saturday, October 7, 2023 from Noon to 4pm at AmVets Post 109, 7847 Lakeshore Blvd., Mentor-on-the-Lake, OH 44060.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to the Lake Humane Society and Adoption Center. Barry had many pet dogs over the years and would be happy to know that other pets in need may receive better care because of him.

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **6**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
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<https://www.brunners.com/>

Celebration of Life

OCT **7**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Amvets Post #109
7847 Lake Shore Blvd.
Mentor on the Lake, OH 44060

Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Barry J. Crowley.*



October 05, 2023 at 10:24 PM



“ *The Paganini Family has great memories growing up down the street from the Crowleys. All of the kids and the parents were so nice and we all got along well. Great times for sure and a lot of great memories. Our Condolences to Barry's Family.*

Ray Paganini - October 04, 2023 at 10:38 PM



“ *To all of Barry's immediate families, We lost a great man (and cousin) who always displayed his radiant smile and friendly personality. His examples of kindness will forever be remembered! From all of us Cools down in Seneca and Hancock Counties, God Bless Barry's heavenly soul! Mike & Rhonda Cool & Families*

Mike Cool - October 03, 2023 at 02:52 PM



“ *God bless Barry. He was a great friend. My deepest condolences to his family.*
Darla



Darla - October 02, 2023 at 06:10 PM

KC

“ When I was about 12 yrs old, my brother Barry taught me how to mow the lawn. While I'm sure his goal was teaching me to mow so he didn't have to anymore, he did teach me these life lessons along the way:

1) Always check your lawn mower engine before running them. Check the oil and gasoline levels and adjust if necessary. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Barry always saw to it that his self and family had what they needed. Be that his police force family, his clan at the AmVets, or his relatives by birth, he made sure folks in need found some relief.

2) Never mow in the same direction week after week or you will create ruts. Life lived in the same manner day after day becomes routine. Challenge yourself to experience new adventure to avoid ruts and/or creating ruts in the lives of others.

3) Help is always just a phone call away. Barry was one to always help anyone if he could, and when he couldn't he knew someone who could/would help. As an organ donor, he helped people he will never meet, asking nothing in return other than living a full life.

How fitting then, that we came full circle with the mowing. Barry spent some of his retirement mowing the lawn at our winery. We upgraded his equipment this spring so he could mow more in less time, with a fantastic view upon completion. Just like his life & journey into heaven.

Kathy Crowley - October 01, 2023 at 08:22 PM



“ On September 26th 2023 my brother Barry completed his life’s work and was graduated to join a new team with a “new life” that is impossible for me to understand. This was triggered by an event with his physical body which was therefore unable to serve him for even another hour in this world.

Barry was a wonderful brother and friend. I have fond memories of growing up with him and learning and teaching things together.

Here are some of his key accomplishments:

**In his capacity as a police officer he helped countless individuals who needed life solutions that were beyond their means. He became an expert at de-escalation, often presenting the coolest head in a given situation and avoiding undesired outcomes. Many people are happier today because Barry was there to help them at a time of crisis.*

**He helped his legacy family. A good example is that he helped my sister kick off the opening of the new Emerita Winery in Madison Ohio, a very challenging endeavor!*

**He was diligent with his contemporary family; having successfully raised his daughter Kristina to become a wonderful young woman who to this day continues to surprise me with her crisp awareness of the world around her. She is also a good euchre player.*

Here are some of the things I learned from my brother:

**If you are faced with a difficult job change in life, even one that seems to have put everything against you, you can work hard and seek help from others to eventually find even better employment again that will be rewarding for many years afterwards.*

**If your firearm accidentally discharges into the ground near your foot during target practice, you can correctly point out “...That’s why we always point the muzzle of a firearm in a harmless direction before attempting any changes to the weapon.” The mud splatter on your pants will wash right out.*

**If you happen to forget to tighten the lug nuts on your 1970 Pontiac Firebird, the wheel will fall off and you might roll along on the brake*

*rotor for 500 feet or so before stopping. You can then jack up the car and reattach the wheel with just 2 lug nuts that you might be able to find and drive the car home to complete further repairs.
If the battery is dead on a 1973 Mercury Capri with manual transmission, it can be push started by just the driver.

All kidding aside, Barry always said he did not want a bunch of people to gather around him at a typical funeral event with all of its somber themes and sad tones. He preferred something more like a true Irish wake where there is a celebration of a life completed! I invite you to join our family as we begin celebrating his life. Perhaps you also learned something interesting from Barry, or perhaps you can share one of his key life accomplishments. Maybe you just might want to hear from others. We will gather on Friday October 6th 3-7pm at Brunner Funeral home in Mentor Ohio and on Saturday Oct 7th Noon-4pm at the AmVets post 109 in Mentor-On-The-Lake. The details are available on the www.brunners.com obituaries tab.

Vince Crowley

Vince Crowley - September 28, 2023 at 09:12 PM

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This was such a nice tribute to Barry, Vince!! Such a sad time 😞 I love you kids ❤️ Aunt Barb

Barb Rotruck - September 29, 2023 at 08:37 AM



Vince and family - I was so sorry to hear of Barry's passing - what a shock. I'll be praying for you all as you walk through this time of grieving along with celebrating his life.

Rich Dundore

Rich Dundore - September 29, 2023 at 09:54 AM