



## John V. Barbo Sr.

June 24, 1930 - December 10, 2020

John V. Barbo Sr., 90, of Mentor, passed away Thursday, December 10, 2020 at home, surrounded by his family. He was born June 24, 1930 in Cleveland to the late Frank and Grace Barbo.

John was a Veteran of the Korean War and after his discharge started working at Ohio Bell as a foreman for over 35 years before his retirement. Upon his retirement, John and his wife, Mary spent many hours in the car traveling around the country, something raising 6 children never allowed them to do. John could always be found at a baseball diamond or football field in Willowick, donating his time coaching his kids. Everybody in Willowick knew Coach Barbo. He was very involved in fixing donated toys with his Pioneer friends that could be given to charitable organizations after they spent long hours getting them working again. It was a real joy for him seeing the smiles on the kid's faces.

John was in a Bowling league for many years in Wickliffe and also loved to fish and play cards with his friends. He was very devoted to his faith and was an active member of St. Mary Magdalene for 60 years. He worked hard his whole life to make sure he was able to give his family the gift of a great education and supply them with everything they needed to become the adults they are today.

He loved his children, grandchildren and great grandchild with all his heart. His trusted cat companion, Pepper, was his life.

Survivors include his children, Mike (Barbara) Barbo, Rick (Shawn) Barbo, Mary Grace (Dave) Bernert, Rita (Tommy) Bridges, Tom Barbo and John (Nancy) Barbo; grandchildren, Sarah (Greg), Nathan, Allison (Gray), Christopher, Haylee, Anthony, Samantha (Anthony), Danielle (Jeff), Rachel (Alec), Matthew, TJ (Diane), Michael, Alex and Luke; great grandchild, Julia Louise; sister, Carmela Rinaldi; sister in law Lorie Hart, many loving nieces and nephews, lifelong friend, Al Somrack and loving cat companion, Pepper.

Preceding John in death are his wife, Mary C. Barbo; grandson, Tyler Bridges and siblings, Della Williams, Robert Barbo and Frank Barbo.

Private family services were held, with burial taking place in All Souls Cemetery, Chardon.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in memory of John to Lake Humane Society 7564-E Tyler Boulevard, Mentor, Ohio 44060 or to Heartland Hospice 4807 Rockside Rd., suite 110, Independence, Ohio 44131

Arrangements entrusted to the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Please offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center created a Funeral Service in memory of John V. Barbo Sr.*



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**Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center** - December 16, 2020 at 09:51 AM

RK

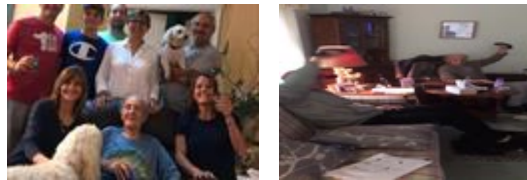
“ *Merry Christmas John and Nancy and family, sincere sorrow for your loss this day, but in faith in Jesus Christ our Savior, as we celebrate His Perfect Birth, know that Mr Barbo now has achieved eternal life in His Kingdom by faith.*

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**rich kelly** - December 19, 2020 at 12:47 PM

JB

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



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**John Barbo** - December 17, 2020 at 02:04 PM

TB

“ *Dad having fun.*



Thomas Barbo - December 17, 2020 at 09:16 AM

JR

“ *Mike, Rick, Mace, Rita, Tommy, John, and all the Barbo children, I'm so very sad to learn of John's passing. He was such a good man in all respects. His smile was contagious and his love for his family was undeniable. I'm happy to hear John spent his last moments with his family and is now with Mary ("Barbo" to me) I will always treasure your family. John and Mary meant so much to me as do all of you. Thank you for always including me in the Barbo family. Much love to everyone!*

Jen Richardson - December 16, 2020 at 02:15 PM

NB

“ *A few more gems!*



Nathan Barbo - December 14, 2020 at 11:17 PM

MB

“ So many happy, happy memories. Thank you Dad ❤️



MaryGrace Bernert - December 14, 2020 at 09:20 PM

CH

“ We want to give our condolences to the Barbo siblings, spouses, grandchildren, and great grandchild. Mr. Barbo was always cracking jokes at the Barbo parties. Some of the things he has said over the years have been classic and retold many times over. He had the best smile! His quiet demeanor and sense of humor (even though he didn't know he was being funny) will be greatly missed. We are so sorry for your loss. Love and hugs. It's been a rough year for all of you. Take care! God bless!

*Cheryl, Doug, Natalie, Kate, & Steph Houser*

Cheryl - December 14, 2020 at 07:39 PM

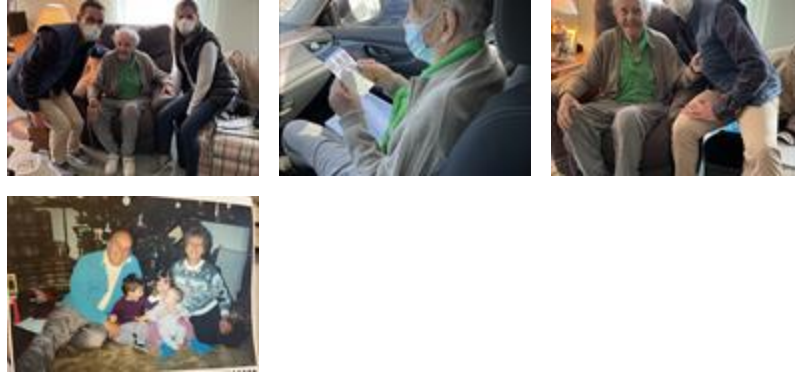
RC

“ May God Bless Mr. Barbo and all his family. Thanks for the many car rides, Mr. B. Seemingly small acts loom larger with the passage of time. - Rick

Rick Cartor - December 14, 2020 at 02:53 PM

NB

“ Thankful for the 90 amazing years Grandpa walked this earth.  
Missing him already but so many memories to celebrate his life.



Nathan Barbo - December 14, 2020 at 01:55 PM

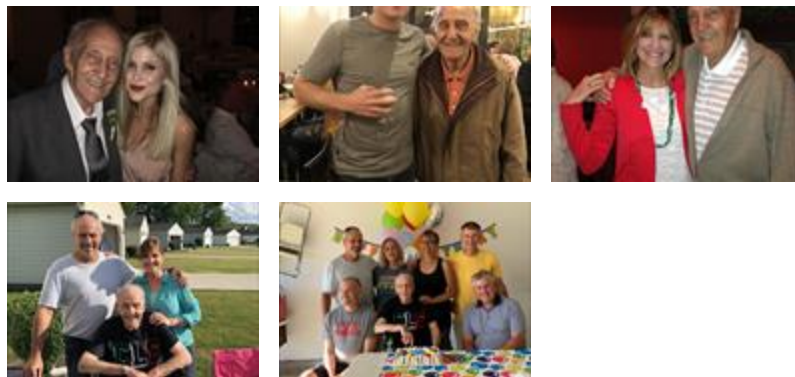
DL

“ So very sorry to hear about Mr Barbo. Our sincere condolences to the family. It was always a pleasure to speak with him whenever he came to the restaurant. From Kuhars Carry

Dan Luketic - December 14, 2020 at 01:02 PM

RB

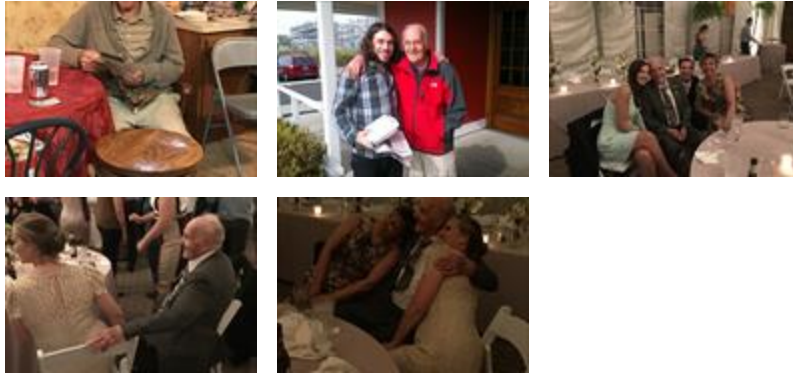
“ 6 files added to the album Rick, Shawn, Haylee and Anthony



Rick Barbo - December 13, 2020 at 08:45 PM

DB

“ Love you forever Grandpa John ❤️



Diane Bridges - December 13, 2020 at 05:45 PM

BS

“ Mike and family,

*So sorry to hear about your dad! Growing up in Willowick your dad was one of the special dads who volunteered their time to teach us life lessons through sports.*

*He always had a smile on his face and a kind word to say!!  
May he Rest In Peace!*

*Bob Shelby*

Bob Shelby - December 12, 2020 at 03:01 PM

JR

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Jen Richardson - December 16, 2020 at 02:14 PM