



Barry Joe Wooldridge

July 31, 1959 - February 11, 2025

Barry Joe Wooldridge 66 of St. Albans passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Rosemary and his parents, Brenda Wooldridge Johnson and James Wooldridge.

He was a graduate of Stonewall Jackson High School. He was a veteran having served in the US Airforce. Some may have known him from working at Budget Tapes & Records or for the Department of Tourism as a Graphic Artist for the State of West Virginia.

He is survived by a son, Owen Vincent Wooldridge; daughter, Mae Vivian Wooldridge; brother, Lance Wooldridge and his wife Mary and their daughters, Kathryn and Lucy; sister, Kellie Burgess and husband Tim and their daughters, Sarah and Cara.

A party celebrating his life will be planned at a later date.

You may visit Barry's tribute page at BartlettNichols.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans is honored to serve the Wooldridge family.

Tribute Wall

BB

“ I met Barry in the Air Force. A group of us Air Force buddies attempted to have a reunion back in 2017, but Barry wasn't able to make it. I had really hoped to see him again to reminisce about all the great times we had while serving, but it wasn't meant to be. I was so surprised to receive word of his passing. Barry I will miss you. Thanks for all the memories.

Bill Benolken - February 23, 2025 at 10:02 PM

WR

“ With Love and Comfort from The Rose's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barry Joe Wooldridge.

With Love and Comfort from The Rose's - February 21, 2025 at 07:17 PM

WR

“ With Love and Comfort from The Rose's purchased the I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket for the family of Barry Joe Wooldridge.



With Love and Comfort from The Rose's - February 21, 2025 at 07:17 PM

GH

“ Barry, I loved talking with you on FB. my next door Neighbor on Monongalia Street, I Loved your family and Brenda was the best No more pain. Love you Guy.

Goldie Honeycutt - February 21, 2025 at 01:30 PM

CB

“ I’m sorry to learn of Barry’s passing. I worked with him at Tourism and he was a great guy. He always talked about his kiddos. This makes me sad. Praying for the family.

Carolyn Boyles - February 19, 2025 at 03:02 PM

KB

“ The one thing I wanted to be known about Barry was how truly kind he was. He never judged anyone and would give you the shirt off his back. He loved to party and loved the woman when he was younger then when he married Rosemary he loved her and his kids more than anything. He was so smart and loved his music. There wasnt a time when we would part that he didnt say I love you Kel.

Kellie Burgess - February 17, 2025 at 04:31 PM

TO

I’m still at a loss for what to say. I loved Barry for so many years. I was never his girlfriend, but he sure started coming to Boone County to take me on dates! My grandma lived beside his mawmaw. My mother and her brothers grew up with his wonderful mother, Brenda (whom I loved beyond love), and her sisters. Mom and Dad loved Barry so much that I used to tell him they had the Barrymania Fan Club going. When I moved to Morgantown, whoever he was with for years wouldn’t let us speak. That became a repeating thing. His last conversation with me was brutal. Our friendship ended about six measly months before he passed. I would have been his friend to the end. I missed the times when he used to introduce me as “one of my favorite people in the world and I will always love her.” That probably had something to do with the girlfriends hating me. I hope he is reunited with the many friends and his mom whom he loved so much.

Teresa Swanigan O’Cassidy - March 10, 2025 at 04:04 PM

CM

“ Was so shocked to hear the news:(Barry always had a great story & loved sharing memories, he was a fun guy to have around , my heart & condolences go out to Mae & Owen & his family . I'll see you on the other side my friend 🙏🥹

Cindee & Richie McDonald - February 15, 2025 at 06:01 PM



“ My heart is shattered into pieces. May God Bless and Keep his children,siblings and families and our Monongalia Street family. Rest Easy now Barry. You will forever be loved and missed.



Vickie Walker - February 15, 2025 at 08:01 AM

DB

“ Barry was a kind, fella, always had a beautiful smile on his face. We were at SJHS together. For several years I saw him every other week on payday when I would go to Budget to buy a new album. He would tell me what the newest albums were that they had in since I was there last. I hope his life has been full of joy. Blessings to his family.

Denise Burgess - February 15, 2025 at 07:06 AM

DB

When hearing that Barry had passed my heartwept as did my whole body !! My childhood family on Monongaila St.losses another sweet member .

Barry was a unique MAKE -up artist a graft designer and a handsome intelligent wonderful soul .Though years miles separated us physically our hearts love eachother everyday .I am positive Barry took all of our love with him as we will also.

Being a child at that time was so AWESOME b c most days we would play different sports ..sit on Maria's porch or find some "NO Money "fun to get into .Listening to music such as Bubby brings home a new rock bands album ..KISS..what a rush ..it was exciting, fresh..THE BOMB !!! Barry ,with make up,createdmy Brothers face to look like Gene Simons from KiSS and my bro won first prize at huge Halloween party ..Barry's work was fantastic and his love for us was unwavering!! Missing you already Buddy ..ty for your friendship I cherish so deeply.

Dee Tucker Berry - February 15, 2025 at 01:29 PM

MT

“ I worked with Barry for eight years at the Division of Tourism. He was an incredibly talented and uber-creative graphic artist but more so a friend. We had a load of laughs with he and Rosemary. He dearly loved his children and was so proud of them. Conversations with Barry were always honest, intriguing and enlightening. He had strong opinions but an amazing heart and was just a nifty guy. So sad to learn of his passing but I will always be grateful for his friendship and sharing of talent and Barry wisdom. Rest in peace, my friend.

Matt Turner - February 14, 2025 at 01:09 AM

DB

“ I love you Barry always !! This horrible news has gutted me !! Baby was a great friend from my treasured childhood. We are family not just friends who gave their all in happiness and more importantly in times of distress. We will miss you until we are all together again 9in heaven !! Prayers to All Who love him and God plz give us peace plus comfort in our precious memories !! Blessings !!

Dee Tucker Berry - February 13, 2025 at 03:09 AM

PE

“ Got to know Barry an bit and he was a true original. Funny guy with eclectic interests, especially music. I recall one Christmas party with karaoke we were going to sing Reunited together at midnight as a joke. Rest in peace, Orlando. You'll never be forgotten.

Phil Evans - February 13, 2025 at 12:05 AM

RM

“ I worked with Barry for a short time at Charles Ryan Associates. He had the best personality and the greatest smile. He had skills, jokes and passion for design. I'll miss the friendship and of course, the smile. Rest in peace.

Rick Mogielski - February 12, 2025 at 06:44 PM

LB

“ I will love and miss you Barry we all (Monongailia St kids) will always remember you and your funny personality and you introducing us to the rock music that played throughout our lives ❤️



Lisa Burgess - February 12, 2025 at 04:21 PM

RC

Barry was such fun to be around & hangout with. I was always amazed at how talented he was in art & drawing. We absolutely idolized space fantasy & space exploration toys when we were kids! We played board games & enjoyed "Fright Factory" & "Incredible Edible" playdates. A good friend & schoolmate. He will be missed.

Ron Chin - February 12, 2025 at 05:27 PM

ZD

Although we went to SJHS, it was through fb that we became friends. I learned what a kind guy he was and how much he loved his kids!! I'm so sorry to hear of him passing and pray for his kids and loved ones!

Zin Devine - February 13, 2025 at 09:32 AM

MH

I'm so sad to hear of this, Barry was such a genuine and kind person. Even as a little kid he never teased or taunted other kids and he'd stand up against bullies who did. He just always warmly embraced everybody. He was incredibly talented, connected and in tune with all things cool, a wonderful and doting father, and a reliable friend to everyone in his path. Just an all around great guy who will be sorely missed. God Bless and I'm sending my prayers for his loved ones feeling his loss.

Mary Lynn Wooldridge

Mary Hodges - February 13, 2025 at 09:51 AM



I worked with Barry at Budget Tapes in 1979-1981. Great times and lots great music and lots of partying. Barry, you are great graphic artist and friend. I will miss you. We will meet again brother on the other side of life. Mark A.Hammer

Mark A. Hammer - February 14, 2025 at 10:20 AM

TH

I knew Barry and his whole family for a long time. I am sorry for their loss. They are always in my thoughts. They were all very good to me and I will never forget. I hope one day we all will see each other again. My love and deepest sympathy. Haney

Tom Haynes - February 21, 2025 at 03:18 PM