

Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett

June 17, 1945 - February 26, 2019

Funeral services for Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett, 73, of Henderson, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 2, 2019, in the chapel at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Dr. David Higgs and Ron Bartee officiating. Interment will follow at Strong Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends prior to the service from 1-2 p.m. on Saturday, March 2, at the funeral home.

Mr. Barnett passed from this life on February 26, 2019, at his home in Henderson. He was born June 17, 1945, in Providence, Rhode Island to the late Woodrow and Mildred (Derryberry) Barnett. Tom was raised in Henderson and graduated from Henderson High School and Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. He later moved back home in 2005 where he would later join First Baptist Church. He was a man of great character and work ethic, which was exemplified over his long career as a Drilling Fluids Engineer with Halliburton, a career that took him all over the world. In his spare time Tom enjoyed fishing and playing 42, dominos and poker, and he was a huge sports fan. He could recall scores from years past that most couldn't remember. Tom loved to make people smile and was an endless encourager.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister Patsy Barnett; uncle Sam Barnett; sister-in-law Sara Barnett; and brother-in-law A.B. Thomas.

Survivors include his wife of 31 years Lorena Barnett of Henderson; children Kelly Walker of Richardson and Matt Barnett and wife Pam of Leander; stepson Leon Townes VonStauber and wife Kris of Seattle, WA.; brother D.W. Barnett of Grand Prairie; sisters Joan Thomas of Carrollton and Kay Whitehead of Henderson; granddaughter Rayne Jones; step-grandchildren Aenea and Serina VonStauber; great-granddaughter Emma Crissey; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Pallbearers will be David Barnett, Mike Barnett, Lemuel Thomas, Donald Whitehead, Luke Whitehead, and Leon Townes VonStauber. Honorary pallbearers will be Tony Wooster, Paul Woods and Jim Creasy.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Strong Cemetery

CR 333
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

MAR 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Henderson, TX 75654

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - March 01, 2019 at 03:04 PM

LB

*My husband Tom or Tommy as his family always called him, we were married for 31 years.
He was the best husband in the world, with an incredible sense of humor as well as a the most honorable decent human being, a great and most loving caring and loving father to his children Kelly and Matt as well as his family and words can not describe the emptiness in my heart for loosing my best friend my love and the endless generosity towards me and we loved each other from the bottom of our hearts. My Tommy you will always ALWAYS live inside of my heart and I will live the rest of my life waiting until we can be together again in God's Heaven where there's not end 🙏😭💕*

Lorena Barnett - March 01, 2019 at 05:00 PM

MB

Beautiful awesome memories of the best husband father brother and the greatest blessing in my life, my husband, my best friend the man I always loved and respected and that he always will be in my heart. I loved you for 31 years we were married and I will always love for the rest of my life until we can be together again 💕💕💕

Mrs. Thomas J barnett - March 02, 2019 at 02:28 AM

LO

THAT WAS MY TOM!!!!

Lorena - March 26, 2019 at 02:05 PM

KW

“ *I still miss Daddy every day. I miss his hilarious, dry sense of humor. I miss his love, support and great advice. I miss his laugh and his hugs. I will see him again. Kelly*

Kelly Walker - September 08, 2023 at 11:23 AM

KW

“ *Daddy,*

I still miss you every day. You will always be in my heart. Thank you for always being there for me and teaching me life's most valuable lessons.

Love,

Kelly

Kelly Walker - December 17, 2019 at 10:23 AM

DD

“ Whew this is gonna be hard for me to convey into words but here goes:

Thomas Jerry Barnett, known to me and all my siblings, cousins, nieces and nephews as Uncle Tommy, was loved and cherished by all of The Barnett Family, especially by his children, his siblings, his parents and his very own one of a kind Uncle Sam Barnett. Everybody LOVED Tommy and truly enjoyed his company along with his caring kindness, always generous ways, wonderful sense of humor, love of family and much more.

Uncle Tommy's personality was quite charming and any conversation with him might range from fun and light teasing, to serious, to faith, to family history, to technical engineering marvels of his generation, to finance, to politics, to sports, to pretty much any topic one might wish to engage with when talking to him.

Tommy became the Co-Patriarch of The Barnett Family alongside his older brother D.W. Barnett (Dee) following the death of their father and my grandfather W.W. Barnett in 1978. Tommy was always a strong and ever presence at all family gatherings for holidays, weddings, birthdays and in various hospital waiting rooms upon the births of new family members or upon the illnesses of other family members. Tommy was always there and ready to lend a helping hand or a strong shoulder or comforting words of help or advice.

While I can't speak to the camaraderie that was had by Tommy, my Father, brothers, nephews, cousins and many great friends that all y'all guys had on The Great Fishing Trips held for the last 20 something it seems years in both the Spring & Fall . . . I am happy y'all all have such great times and memories to cherish . . . while I only heard second-hand accounts of The Great Fishing Trips, Texas Hold-Em Poker and 42 Domino games that were enjoyed by all . . . the BEST of all was that y'all all were able to be together for so many years, a couple of times each year, and maybe even catch a

couple of fish while you were at it!

Uncle Tommy will be missed and thought of with our sweet memories of him by all of us who loved him.

Deana Barnett Darby

Deana Darby - March 02, 2019 at 04:06 PM

LB

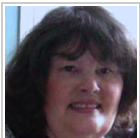
And his wife Luz Or commonly known as Lorena he was my best friend the love of my life and he will ALWAYS BE SOOO LOVED BY ME, and I cannot stop the tears coming out of my eyes constantly 😭

Luz (Lorena) Barnett - March 11, 2019 at 07:08 PM

LB

Thank you Deana, words cannot express my 😭😭😭 heart

Luz (Lorena) Barnett - March 11, 2019 at 10:14 PM



“ *Suzy Olson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett*



Suzy Olson - March 02, 2019 at 09:38 AM

LB

My husband the love of my life, how much do I miss you and want to be with you 😭😭😭

Luz (Lorena) Barnett - March 11, 2019 at 10:08 PM



“ 30 files added to the album LifeTributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - March 01, 2019 at 01:58 PM

DK

“ David And Peggy Keeling lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett



David and Peggy Keeling - March 01, 2019 at 09:17 AM

RG

“ From the Girouard family to the Barnett family, We are keeping you in our prayers during this time of sorrow and sadness.
Matt please know that your dad is now in a better place and he will still always be there for you and your family.
I never met your dad but reading the acknowledgments and hearing you talk about him he must have touch many of peoples lives in a positive way.
If there is anything that me or my family can do for you or your family please don't hesitate to let us know.

Rayford Girouard

Rayford Girouard - February 28, 2019 at 09:08 PM

LB

*Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart!
Lorena Barnett
Tommy's wife*

Luz (Lorena) Barnett - March 11, 2019 at 10:10 PM

RL

“ one of a kind!! I really enjoyed the time spent working with Tom in Tyler, Texas. He was a man of great work ethics and one with vast knowledge of the mud industry. he always made us smile and laugh. My prayers are with his family. R.I.P. Mr Tom!

Rickey Landrum - February 28, 2019 at 09:04 PM

EB

“ Sending my love to Matt, Pam, and the entire Barnett family.

Eddie Binns - February 28, 2019 at 06:43 PM

DP

“ Tom was a kind hearted, sweet soul. He was well respected in the ETX oilfield for his knowledge and expertise, but more importantly, for his honesty. We'll miss miss him.

David Pickett - February 28, 2019 at 01:43 PM

JD

“ I did not know Tom but I know his son Matt and you can tell a lot about a man from their son. Matt is a smart, hardworking, and genuine individual. The way his father raised him and the type of man his father was plays a big part in this. I give my love to yalls family and sorry again for the loss.

Jeremy Dickey

Jeremy Dickey - February 28, 2019 at 11:47 AM

CN

“ Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - February 28, 2019 at 11:40 AM

JO

“ we sure love him! he will be missed so much by all of us!! The head of the table during the holidays will never be the same again! We love you so much!!!!

joanie - February 28, 2019 at 10:50 AM

CA

“ I have many great memories of Tommy! He was such a fun person and loved by many. My love and prayers for the entire Barnett Family! He will be missed so much by family and friends. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Cindy

Cindy Anderson - February 28, 2019 at 07:17 AM



“ Tom and Lorena became my dear family when I came to Texas, I love them as my parents, I know that his big heart and kindness touched so many people, I was blessed to meet you Tom, thank you for your presence in my life, you are always in my heart. Rest In Peace ...

Michaela Tomkowiak - February 27, 2019 at 11:28 PM



“ *Michaela Tomkowiak lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tom "Tommy" Barnett*



Michaela Tomkowiak - February 27, 2019 at 11:04 PM

PR

“ *Mr. Barnett will be missed especially his bright smile and character. It was a pleasure to care for such a kind person. Continued PRAYERS for the entire Barnett family. Penny*



Penny Roberts - February 27, 2019 at 09:58 AM



Known to my husband Sherman Olson and me, Suzy, Tom was a very generous, intelligent, hard working Christian man. I am so glad I got to speak with him a couple of times late last year. Tom was a warm and caring man who made you feel welcome in his home as does his wife Lorena. Tom will be missed !

Suzy Olson - February 27, 2019 at 07:41 PM

MF

Tom was a wonderful man always full of life and laughter. He was a man with integrity. He was loved by all that knew him. Prayers for this beautiful loving family. I love you all.

Mickey Fisher - February 28, 2019 at 09:26 AM

ME

Dear Tom, you will be missed greatly by all the people whose lives you touched in so many good ways and I know my husband Emory will miss very much your company and the long talks you both enjoyed so much when we got together with you and Lorena. Those will be great memories we will keep in our hearts always. May God have you in his loving arms.

Marcela Ezell

Marcela Ezell - February 28, 2019 at 10:40 PM

GA

Having been life-time neighbors, in a narrow age range, the Barnetts and Allens to back to The Beginning as toddlers. Tommy hooked Lee Boy and I up in the Saturday Kiddie Show at the Strand when I was 13, was best man at the wedding, and pallbearer for both his friend and his mother. I have a lifetime of Tommy Barnett memories.

All are interesting, many are entertaining, and some are outrageous. But they don't translate without Tommy's delivery and timing or expressions of disbelief and shock at his credibility.

He took things as they came in a way that made sense to him-- oftentimes, only him. When Tommy screamed out in the Strand, "She wants you to sit with her!" he, unknowingly, admitted me to the Barnett/Allen Family. I treasure the original relationships and all those added over 60 years.

Gay Allen - March 01, 2019 at 10:15 PM