



Ralph Barrett

March 30, 1938 - April 10, 2023

Ralph Barrett, 85, of Lakeland passed away on April 10, 2023.

Ralph was born on March 30, 1938 to parents V.M. Barrett and Mary Neely Barrett. He enlisted in the Tennessee Air Guard at Berry Field in August 1955 and then with the U.S. Air Force in March of 1956. Ralph was a highly decorated Chief Master Sergeant with the Air Force. After retiring from the military in 1986, Ralph began a new career as a Financial Advisor for John Hancock Financial Services in Tampa. FL.

Ralph was predeceased by his parents and his wife Lola Jean Barrett. He is survived by his son Ralph "Todd" Barrett, his daughters: Lisa Dawn Franz, Jeanine Rowena Scheib and Kimberly Ann Barrett. Granddaughters: Brittany Vaughn and Amber Tegtmeier, Grandsons: Tony Scheib, Dustin Barrett, Brandon Elliott, Kyle Pollock, Chris Barrett, Andrew Scheib and Parker Scheib. Great-grandchildren: Dominic Sandoval, Desmond Gesbeck, Scarlett Vaughn, Giavanna Scheib, Finnegan Elliott and his "only sister" Angeline Cothran.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 pm on Wednesday, April 19th at Gentry Morrison Southside Chapel. A Funeral Mass will take place at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Thursday, April 20th at 9:30 am.

For live stream please go to:

<https://stjosephlakeland.org/mass-live-stream>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel
1727 Bartow Road
Lakeland, FL 33801
(863) 688-7679
t.hall@gentry-morrison.com
<https://www.gentry-morrison.com/>

Burial

APR **20** (ET)

Oak Hill Burial Park
4620 US Highway 98 S
Lakeland, FL 33812

Funeral Mass

APR **20**. 9:30 AM (ET)

Saint Joseph's Catholic Church
118 W Lemon Street
Lakeland, FL 33815

Military Honors

APR **22**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Oak Hill Burial Park
4620 US Highway 98 S
Lakeland, FL 33812

There will be a ceremony of Military Honors at Oak Hill Burial Park on Saturday, 4/22/23 at 10 am. The family would love to have you join them if possible.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph Barrett*



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - April 25, 2023 at 08:04 AM

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“ *he was also survived by his sister vivian angeline barrett cothran*

vivian cothran - May 16, 2023 at 01:59 PM

“ 6 Things You should Know about my Grandad.

By Andrew Scheib

1 My Grandad is wise. He has a lot of experience in life and made many decisions that got him where he is today. He has taught me a lot of different things that has helped me in the everyday world. He also served in the air force for 32 years so it made him someone who knows a lot about cherishing things and stuff like that.

2 My Grandad is brave. He is brave because he served in the Air Force for 32 years mostly away from his family and that takes a lot of courage. Another reason was because he was high ranked and it takes a lot of work and bravery to get there.

3 My Grandad is caring. My Grandad has always been there for us if we ever needed it. He would take us to get school clothes and school supplies every year and get us ready for the school year. He would also get us groceries if we were ever in a rough spot and couldn't get them ourselves.

4 My Grandad is intelligent. He always knows what to do in tough situations. He also can help us with different things we might be struggling with, like homework. Lastly he's really smart with different business decisions so he can help family and friends if they need help with that too.

5 My Grandad is determined. My Grandad has always been determined in life. He was determined to take care of his family and he did very well with that because of the things he did. Also while he was in the Air Force he wanted to be at the top and he made it very far.

6 My Grandad is responsible. He has always made sure that the most important

things come first like his family. He also made sure everything was taken care of like bills. Lastly he was responsible because he takes care of everyone he cares about.

Jeanine scheib - April 27, 2023 at 07:29 PM

 Lisa Franz

So proud that you see things about him .. he was my hero! Our Hero I love you

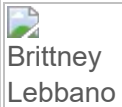
Lisa Franz - December 14, 2025 at 09:28 PM

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Jeanine scheib - April 24, 2023 at 05:53 PM

 Brittney Lebbano

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Brittney Lebbano - April 21, 2023 at 12:06 AM

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“ *Dianne (Neely) and Larry McCrum purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ralph Barrett.*



Dianne (Neely) and Larry McCrum - April 19, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Ralph Barrett.*



April 14, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Ralph Barrett.*



April 13, 2023 at 02:11 PM