



Fred Barton

February 1, 1948 - October 17, 2018

Mr. Fred Barton was born February 1, 1948 in Aiken County, South Carolina to the late Callaham Barton and Daisy Mae Williams Barton. He was the youngest of two children. He departed this life on October 17, 2018 at Palmetto Health Richland Hospital in Columbia, SC. He was a fighter. Over the last five years he survived pneumonia, open heart surgery, brain surgery, rotator cuff surgery, and was approaching his final round of chemotherapy for cancer treatment. He persevered through it all and never complained.

He was raised in Aiken, SC where he attended Aiken Elementary School and Martha Schofield High School. At Schofield, he played percussion for the concert and marching bands, played football and ran track. He recently reconnected with his high school peers by helping to organize his 50th class reunion.

Mr. Barton was the Postal Center Director for the South Carolina Department of Social Services from 1984 to 2010 when he retired. He was a longstanding member of St. John Baptist Church in New Ellington, SC. He joined Brookland Baptist Church in 2009.

He was a graduate of Benedict College where he majored in Art. He pursued a master's degree in Art Studio from the University of South Carolina. He served two years in the military, stationed at Fort Jackson Military Base. Fred was united in holy matrimony to Florenia Marshall Barton in August 1969, and to this union, three children were born.

He became astute at home construction. Fred was the contractor and performed much of the manual and skilled labor on the construction of his family's last three homes. He taught himself to install insulation, hardwood flooring and carpet, stain wood, paint, install sprinkler systems and educated himself on higher level plumbing and electrical work. He enjoyed golf, tennis and growing fruits and vegetables in his home garden every year. He followed politics closely and truly appreciated good football and basketball games. He was a great cook, famous for his tasty barbeque ribs and exquisite soul food repertoire.

Mr. Barton leaves to mourn his passing: his wife, Florenia Marshall Barton; two daughters, Kenya Perez (former husband Thomas), Columbia, SC and Kesha James (Cean), Philadelphia, PA; one son, Cal A. Barton, Jamaica, NY; one sister, Lubertha Henderson (Lamonte), Aiken, SC.

He was blessed with seven grandchildren; one niece and one nephew, cousins, other relatives and many loving friends.

Cemetery Details

Fort Jackson National Cemetery

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **23**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia
1200 Fontaine Place
Columbia, SC 29223
(803) 786-6300
palmermemorialchapel@gmail.com
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

Public Viewing

OCT **24**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Brookland Baptist Northeast
1203 Summit Pkwy
Columbia, SC 29229

Celebration of Life

OCT **24**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fred Barton*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *A classmate of 1967. Fred wasn't only a classmate but a friend. My Condolences goes out to the family. With love Lena Stalworth Flemming.*

Lena Stalworth Flemming - October 21, 2018 at 12:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fred Barton.*



October 20, 2018 at 08:23 PM