



Barry Joseph Sullivan

January 14, 1945 - November 25, 2023

Sullivan, Barry Joseph - Age 78. Barry was born on January 14, 1945 in Ontario, Canada, and passed away on November 25, 2023 in Michigan with his family close by his side after a long struggle with health issues that could not ultimately be overcome. Barry was the beloved husband of Janice, and the loving father of his son Kelly (his daughter-in-law Sarah) and his daughter Courtney. He was a very proud and loving grandfather to his grandchildren Brenden, Riley, and Regina with whom he was very close. Barry loved to travel, spend time with his family, and was notorious for his sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Donations can be made in Barry's honor to the American Lung Association (<https://action.lung.org/>). No immediate services will be held, but a cemetery ceremony and a celebration of Barry's life will be held at a later time. Please share memories with the family at their "Online Guestbook" at WujekCalcaterra.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *im not sure if this is Barry I knew in high school.. but never the less.. im sorry for your loss... im from Wallaceburg Ontario Canada.. Sally (Benn) and the school was st Thomas aquinas.. grades 9-10 the years have passed quickly.he was a friendly , person, full of fun for everyone..*



Sally benn (gale) - September 26, 2025 at 09:07 PM

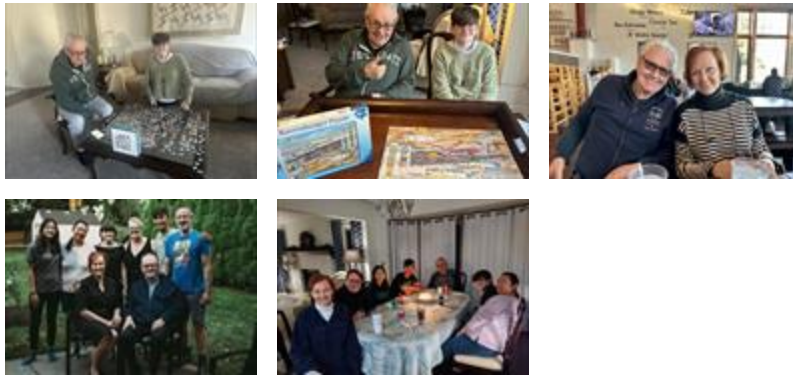
LR

“ *I have missed the Sullivan's for almost 30 years. Uncle Barry always made me laugh. So sad I didn't get to say goodbye.*

Lawra Robertson - January 19, 2024 at 11:11 AM



“ *❤️ precious memories w my Dad*



Courtney Sullivan - December 07, 2023 at 12:22 AM

DS

“ *Barry has always been more of a brother than a brother-in-law to me. Always close with family, he was only an email or text away. Never too busy to respond to a quick message or joke and frequently, already knowing your “new joke”.*

His keen sense of humor and business acumen was an inspiration for the many that he mentored over his years in the world of real estate sales.

Barry has touched the lives of many. He will be greatly missed and his memory will live on for those of us whose lives he touched.

This is my tribute to Barry and those we have lost.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCikFWqD8N8>

Dave Staub



Dave Staub - December 04, 2023 at 04:26 PM

FM

“ I met Barry 50+ years ago when we both build new homes back to back and became neighbors in wallaceburg ontario. The friendship and fun with Barry's bubbly personality started immediately and has lasted all those years.

During their stays in different States there was always the phone calls on holidays and special dates in-between visits we were never forgotten.

You are a true best friend Barry your passing has left a huge void in our lives

Fred De Meyer - November 30, 2023 at 08:22 PM

JC

“ John Ceranic
10 minutes ago
John Ceranic

I interviewed and hired Barry as a sales manager for Maronda Homes... and it was of my best decisions while working for Maronda. I still remember us laughing during our interview. Barry had a great sense of humor, he made everyone feel comfortable and important.

But i didn't hire Barry because of his sense of humor, Barry was one of the most talented sales managers in the country. He was on top of every aspect of his job: he knew how to interview, hire and motivate a sales team. His sales results spoke for themselves. When i visited his new home sales communities with him I could clearly see his sales team in every city respected him and truly loved him.


Barry was like a “rock star” sales manager that I haven't seen the likes of before or since. Truly a one of a kind man.

Thank you for teaching me how to be kinder and gentler Barry!

John C.

John Ceranic - November 30, 2023 at 02:45 PM

BB

“ *Barry and I worked together at D R Horton in Port Orange and New Smyrna Beach FL. Barry was always full of life and quick to make you laugh! He had one of the kindest souls I have ever seen. It was a pleasure being part of his life, I will miss you! Barry sent me this picture on 10/7/23, thanks Barry for that last phone call on 11/22/23* 



Billy Broyles - November 30, 2023 at 10:28 AM

JB

“ *I meet Barry while taking my daily exercise walk through the neighborhood. I have talked with Barry many times about a whole range of things. I am amazed on how upbeat and positive his attitude has been. We talked about health issues but focused on how things were getting better. We had plans to take the spouses out for dinner this past weekend, and we talked a lot about playing golf at Stony Creek in the spring. He and his enthusiastic perspective will be missed.*

Jim Banaszek - November 30, 2023 at 10:24 AM

ER

“ Barry was a blessing to all who knew him. We met Barry and Janice when our daughter took dance with Courtney. He touched our lives with his kindness, thoughtfulness, and great sense of humour. He was also a great storyteller. We could listen to him for hours. However, one time we were eating at “Red Robin “, and this time we were telling a family story. When we were leaving, I remember saying that we finally had a story to tell. May God bless you Barry, and keep you in his gentle care. Evan and Judy

Evan Reynolds - November 29, 2023 at 06:34 PM

CA

“ I met Barry thru my dearest friend Courtney, we were invited to 4th of July barbecue! He made the best burgers, hot dog, steaks, etc...! I was about 4 month pregnant with my first child. He offered a delicious burger, in my politeness I took it and my mouth was just watering, my husband came to my rescue explaining that I didn't eat red meat and it had been 10 years. He ask if it was due to an allergy, I said no! I just stoped, he seemed puzzled and laughed so hard, he said you have been dying all these years. Please eat the burger, my love for burgers began! We laughed so hard and instantly connected. Barry always made us feel welcome in his home all the time we were there, and as part of his family. His great big hugs were the best, the love and kindness he showed me and my family will be forever cherished.



Our sincere condolences to you all Sullivan family, may you rest in peace and power Mr. Barry.

Carine, Wade, Amina, and Aaliyah

Carine - November 28, 2023 at 11:11 PM

TG

“ I have a lot of fond memories going over to the Sullivan house in elementary school. And although I don't remember exactly how it began, I started calling him Larry and he started calling me, Lacey or Stacy instead of Traci. I also really don't know how I got away with this because I was an elementary school kid calling my friend's dad by his (kind of) first name.... It's just something that through the years, we have always done. I'm so grateful that we got to see him a few years ago when we were on vacation in Florida. He still had the same great smile, the same jokes, and, of course he still called me, Lacey.

The Owczarek, Welch, and Goldberg families are sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful man and I'm so glad that we got to be a part of his life.



Traci G - November 28, 2023 at 10:25 PM

RT

“ Meeting Barry 32 years ago changed my life, and I will cherish him for as long as I live. My career and my life were wonderfully enriched by working with Barry, by his influence, and by his friendship.

Richard Tiller

Richard Tiller - November 28, 2023 at 08:39 PM



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Courtney Sullivan - November 28, 2023 at 06:54 PM



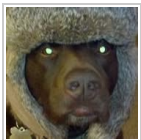
“ I met Mr. Sullivan through his daughter, Courtney, many years ago. The first time I met him he welcomed me with open arms. He always have a big smile on his face everytime I see him. You will be missed Mr. Sullivan.

Irish - November 28, 2023 at 06:34 PM



He absolutely loved you Irish! 🍀

Courtney Sullivan - November 28, 2023 at 06:56 PM



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Kelly Sullivan - November 28, 2023 at 05:07 PM

JK

“ *Berry was our neighbor and friend. He was always there to help and his kindness never went unnoticed. Berry, Jane, and the kids always waived hi and included us in their family. We are forever grateful and thankful that Berry was in our lives. You will be missed.*

Jennifer Krajcirovic - November 28, 2023 at 05:02 PM



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Kelly Sullivan - November 28, 2023 at 05:00 PM

MA

“ *I worked with Barry for several years at D.R. HORTON. He was a character to say the least! Quite a jokester. Always had a sense of humor and a joy to work with. He was truly a devoted family man. Every conversation had a thoughtful mention of a family member. I'm certain he's walking through the pearly gates with a few jokes at the ready. RIP Barry...*

Marcy - November 28, 2023 at 04:42 PM

ER

“ *I worked with Barry while at Maronda Homes. Without Barry, the new division we built would not have been anywhere near as successful! He was a great man and a great friend. The angel's in heaven our celebrating their gain while we mourn our loss.*

Ed Rechak - November 28, 2023 at 04:27 PM

SS

“ He always made a trip to Michigan around Brenden’s birthday & Riley’s birthday 🥳 So both of my kids always look forward to picking Papa from the airport. He was not just a Father in law he was truly my Dad .
I am going to miss our daily txt exchange and all the Bad jokes he likes to tell us. Thanks for being my favorite Father in Law Dad.
He will always be in my heart ❤️



Sarah Sullivan - November 28, 2023 at 10:56 AM

BB

I'm so sorry for your loss Sarah. ❤️🙏

barbara Bellinger - November 28, 2023 at 11:50 AM

TK

It has been said if you really have known someone you have possibly worked with them or maybe taken a long ride together. I had the pleasure of all with my friend Barry J. Sullivan. Once we traveled thru the mountains for 2 days discussing family, faith, politics and an assortment of Irish Blarney BS. It was almost a lifetime's full measure. Almost! He was well versed and sincere with all subjects and kept life's priorities completely in order. Rest in peace old friend!

Thom Keeney - November 28, 2023 at 10:29 PM

MB

“ We love you Barry, we will miss you! Rest in peace, knowing you often brought joy to our lives for over 50 Years. You have been a true and constant friend!!
Rich, Marie, Kristen and Paul

Marie Browski - November 27, 2023 at 02:18 PM

JC

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John Ceranic - November 30, 2023 at 02:38 PM