



Barry Dana-Bashian

November 1, 1962 - February 3, 2019

Barry C. Dana-Bashian died Sunday, February 3rd at the age of 56.

Barry was born on November 1, 1962 in Lafayette, Indiana to Carol (Winell) and John Dana-Bashian. Barry graduated from Purdue University in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. Over the course of his career in Texas, he worked for Rockwell International, Raytheon, and L-3 Communications, specializing in communications systems on military aircraft. Barry married the love of his life, Tammy, on June 10, 1995.

Barry was a lifelong Boy Scout, earning his Eagle Scout in 1980. He served as Den Leader, Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and Scoutmaster for both of his sons, as well as serving as the Recruitment Chair and a Unit Commissioner for the Duck Creek District, amongst other roles. He earned a number of Scouting awards, including the District Award of Merit, Wood Badge, and the Silver Beaver, Boy Scouts' highest honor. He also founded a Troop and a Venture Crew over his lifetime.

His service to the Boy Scouts was one of many avenues his passion for teaching and helping youth grow manifested itself. He also coached baseball, soccer, and basketball for his sons and their peers, read books to students at Kimberlin Academy long after his sons had graduated, and created/managed the DiscoverE program at L-3, which impassioned kids to study engineering. His dedication to service and education left a lasting impact on everyone he touched.

Barry was a lifelong blood donor and, following his diagnosis in 2014 of leukemia, became an active participant in Light the Night, a Leukemia and Lymphoma Society benefit. Barry survived his leukemia with a stem-cell transplant from his oldest son Mitchell. He recovered from his illness to live the last years of his life as a proud dad of both TCU and A&M students, accompanying his wife Mayor Tammy as the inimitable First Gentleman of Rowlett, and grooming his eternally present mustache.

He is remembered as a person who went out of his way to help those around him, no matter the circumstances. His irrepressible sense of humor manifested itself through his BDJ's (Bad Dad Jokes) and his handiness was the source of endless entertainment for his family.

Barry is predeceased by his parents and survived by his wife Tammy Dana-Bashian, his two sons Mitchell (Lindsay) and Clayton Dana-Bashian, his grandchildren Reid Smith and Emma Dana-Bashian, his brother David Dana-Bashian, his sister Diane Brown, and nephew Chris Brown.

A Memorial Service will be held 11:00 am Monday, February 11, 2019 at the First Rowlett United Methodist Church, with Rev. Dretha Burris officiating. There will be a gathering following the service for family and friends.

Memorial donations can be made to benefit the Barry Dana-Bashian Foundation, which will provide scholarships to local Scouts for the completion of their Eagle Scout Service Projects, at <https://donorbox.org/thebarrydanabashianfoundation> or by envelope at the service.

Events

FEB **Memorial Service** 11:00AM

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First United Methodist Church Rowlett
4405 Main Street, Rowlett, TX, US, 75088

FEB **Gathering** 12:00PM - 02:00PM

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Comments



“ Barry Dana-Bashian was a wonderful example of class through leadership - always collected and focused on what was best for the group. It was our privilege to have a son in Boy Scout groups where Barry led by as a recognized Scout leader and led by his daily personal example. He recognized the character-shaping benefits of Scouts and shepherded many young men towards accomplishments they previously would not have dreamed they could achieve. His legacy lives on in the daily good deeds of his beautiful family. Kim & Barry Bonar

Kim Bonar - February 11 at 11:35 PM



“ He was a really nice friend. We're all going to miss him. From, William

William - February 11 at 06:42 PM



“ He got me into Cub Scouts when I was a kid and helped me become Eagle Scout. I wouldn't have become an Eagle Scout or gotten into scouting without his help and support.



Lance - February 11 at 04:21 PM



“ Brenda Ludick lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Brenda Ludick - February 11 at 09:37 AM



“ Wilfred, Brenda & Dane Ludick lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Wilfred, Brenda & Dane Ludick - February 11 at 09:36 AM



“ Pat & Danny Reed lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Pat & Danny Reed - February 08 at 08:57 PM



“ Barry Dana-Bashian was a good, faithful, caring and generous man who loved God, his wife, Tammy, his sons, Clayton and Mitchell, Mitchell's wife Lindsay, and grandchildren, Reid and Emma, among many other dear family members and friends. If ever I've met a servant leader, Barry was it. His quiet strength, sense of humor and dedication to the ones and things he valued set a high bar. Rest in peace, Rowlett's "First Gentleman." You will be missed by all who knew you.

Martha Brown - February 08 at 01:39 PM



“ I was in Troop 322 in Lafayette with Barry. I remember camping out in his parents' backyard working on scout skills. Glad to see how much he stayed involved in Scouting and went to Philmont in 2015. It is a small world to find out he worked at L3, which is where I work now. From one Eagle Scout to another, rest In peace, Barry.

stephen everson - February 08 at 12:33 PM



“ I met Barry at the Dana-Joe home while working with Tammy on her mayoral campaigning. He was very pleasant to be around. I got a very positive feeling from him during our chats. For Tammy and the boys, my heart goes out to all of you. I will pray for you. You have been added to the prayer list at my church, Still Water Community Church. Take comfort in knowing you will be together again in God's kingdom. God bless y'all.
Daryl Daulong

Daryl Daulong - February 08 at 12:56 AM



“ Barry I always appreciated that you took the time to have meaningful discussions with me about scouting. I was grateful for your experience and insights. RIP, Barry, and my thoughts and prayers are with your precious family.



Michelle Runyan - February 07 at 11:14 PM



“ Sandra Park lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Sandra Park - February 07 at 09:24 PM



“ I met Barry a few times at local events and he was such a sweetheart. My heart is broken for Tammy and the boys. My thoughts, prayers, love and hugs for this wonderful family. RIP, Barry, in God's glorious kingdom where you and Tammy's mom can explore it together and one day share it with everyone

Kim Smith - February 07 at 12:42 PM



“ Mike Lasby lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Mike Lasby - February 07 at 10:31 AM



“ Clayton, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time. If you need anything, I am there.

Tracey Osborn - February 07 at 10:10 AM



“ Barry was never without a smile, for anyone, anytime. During the campaign for his wife, Tammy, for Mayor, he was never without a joke or kind word. We loved him. He will be greatly missed.

Laurieann Dygowski - February 07 at 08:58 AM



“ So many memories spent scouting with Barry from first grade Tiger Cubs all the way through Cub Scouts, Webelos, Boy Scouts, Explorers and our final Eagle Scout projects. Thank you Barry for all the time, energy, and caring you put into all the Scouts lives and theirs personal growth. You made a huge impact on so many young men and I know I am very thankful my boys had the opportunity to benefit from your knowledge, and wisdom. You will be deeply missed by by all who were blessed to know you and fondly recalled for your boundless energy and enthusiasm for Scouting and your community.
You were a tremendous blessing in our lives.

Lou Knowled - February 06 at 11:23 PM



“ I just met Barry a couple months ago at L3. My condolences and prayers to the family. May you feel Gods love and comfort through this time.

Johnnie wheat - February 06 at 10:07 PM



“ 5 files added to the album Fun Times!



Brian Henderson - February 06 at 09:34 PM



“ 5 files added to the album Memories Album



Brian Henderson - February 06 at 09:32 PM



“ We met Barry on ‘School Night for Scouting’ at Kymberlyn Academy in Garland. He welcomed us to Garland as we had just moved from Borger Tx and wanted to get our son involved in a pack ASAP. He introduced us to the Randy Herbert family, and the rest is history! Barry was instrumental in our son’s Eagle Scout journey & success! He was by far the most dedicated leader I’ve ever known! He was also very helpful to me as I worked as committee chair for our troop. My heart aches for you all during this time of sorrow. Heaven truly gained an angel! May God strengthen and comfort you all!
Dean & Tammy Chambers

Tammy Chambers - February 06 at 08:55 PM



“ James Elledge lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



James Elledge - February 06 at 12:55 PM



“ It was so good to see Barry with all the Scouts, their parents and leaders as they celebrated Scout Sunday at First Presbyterian Church Garland on February 3rd. The boys did a great job. Condolences to his family and his Scouting family, Margaret Ball

Margaret Ball - February 06 at 12:46 PM



“ Susan Tran lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Susan Tran - February 06 at 08:21 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Barry Dana-Bashian.

February 06 at 08:18 AM



“ Had so much fun playing coed softball so many years ago and watching our kids grow up together. Always loved listening to his stories! Sending prayers, love and hugs to you all.

Amy Kenworthy - February 05 at 11:42 PM



“ The best memory I have is when Tammy and Barry bought the set of drums and Barry had to come to my house to get an idea on how to put them together. And the times given the opportunity to babysit their pets in occasion while the family went on vacation or holiday. May you Rest In Peace Barry. You will be missed by many.

cindy duhamel - February 05 at 09:29 PM



“ Susan And Trung Tran lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Susan and Trung Tran - February 05 at 09:26 PM



“ I merely wish to express my sincerest condolences for your loss. As a son that has lost his father, I know how difficult it will be for his children in the coming months. As a husband that has loved his wife, I can only imagine the enormity of his wife's loss. It is my prayer that God provide comfort, strength and healing for those fortunate enough to have shared life with him. I pray that his legacy continues to bless his community and that it continue to bring honor to his family.

Jeff Morley - February 05 at 08:45 PM



“ Sandy Allen lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Sandy Allen - February 05 at 08:21 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers for Tammy and Barry's Family.

Darlene Thomas - February 05 at 08:00 PM



“ Fred Witzell lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Fred Witzell - February 05 at 07:38 PM



“ Evette Whitehead lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Evette Whitehead - February 05 at 06:46 PM



“ Monnica Rose lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



Monnica Rose - February 05 at 06:39 PM



“ WI lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



WI - February 05 at 06:35 PM



“ Brian & JoAnn Funderburk lit a candle in memory of Barry Dana-Bashian



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