



Larry Thomas Barnett

October 22, 1948 - October 15, 2019

Larry T Barnett, 70, Topeka, Kansas, passed away unexpectedly in his home on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. He was born October 22, 1948, in Jasper, Alabama and adopted by his grandparents, William and Dora Jones, who raised him as mom and dad.

Growing up, Larry was known as “Lil’ Henry” due to his ornery nature which he carried on into his adult life. After graduating from Cordova High School in Jasper, Larry enlisted in the United States Army when he was 18. He served his country proudly for over eight years. Larry is a veteran of the Vietnam War and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. While in service, Larry met his wife Edna on a blind date in Manhattan, Kansas and they were happily married for 33 years before she passed away in 2006. After serving in the military, Larry and Edna moved to Marysville, Kansas and he worked for the Union Pacific Railroad. He later attended Southeast Community College in Nebraska, working toward an accounting degree. Larry and Edna had two daughters, Stephanie and Alecia. In 1990, the family moved to Topeka for a new job opportunity with the State of Kansas. He worked a few years with the state and retired from the United States Postal Service. Larry loved to laugh, joke around, talk about politics, watch movies, collect gadgets, watch sports, especially Tom Brady, and most of all, spending time with his family.

Larry was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Edna “Eddie” Barnett and

his parents. He is survived by daughters, Stephanie Selk (Kyle) and Alecia Rivera (Guillermo), all of Topeka; grandchildren, Emerson Selk (15), Karis Selk (12), Braylin Selk (8), Taylor Rivera (26), Julio Rivera (22), Taliesin Rivera (17), Karley Rivera (12), and Alexander Rivera (7); and brother, Douglas R. Vines of Cordova, Alabama.

Larry will be greatly missed but his family is finding comfort knowing that he is reunited with Edna.

A graveside service will be 11 a.m. Thursday, October 24, 2019, at Mission Center Cemetery, 29th and Urish Road in Topeka.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Topeka Rescue Mission, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Mission Center Cemetery

29th and Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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29th and Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614

Tribute Wall



“ *Larry Thomas Barnett*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Stephanie and Alecia, so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Keeping you all in thoughts and prayers.*

Jane Harris



Jane Harris - October 21, 2019 at 11:19 AM



“ *Alecia and Stephanie, I'm so sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed talking to him. I know he will be missed. If I can do anything for you, please let me know.*

Pat King

pat King - October 21, 2019 at 08:56 AM



“ *So sorry to her about Larry I knew him from the dental clinic at the veterans hospital for 16 years we laughed a lot and he was such a great guy, He loved his daughters and grandkids so much, he just wasn't a psitient he was a friend. Rest in peace and may God Bless Pamela Rabe*

Pamela Rabe - October 21, 2019 at 08:48 AM

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“ It pains me deeply to read of Larry's passing . Larry and I grew up together in Cordova . We were all poor but we didn't know it because like I said , we were all poor . I lived just right up the hill from Larry . Just a good rocks throw . I lived in the projects and he in the mill village with his grandparents . My fondest memories that we shared would have to be as young boys maybe twelve or thirteen . We would meet up at his house and roam the neighborhood and town . We walked everywhere ! Larry was fast . He could always outrun me . He was such a good guy . We went thru school together . I've never forgotten him and our boyhood days in the early 60s. We were footloose and fancy free with not a care in the world . I have nothing but fond memories of Larry . We shared the same last name but we were not related . I sure hope Larry had a good life . With deepest sympathy , Johnny Barnett

Johnny Barnett - October 17, 2019 at 02:35 AM