



Edward J Barker

July 25, 1946 - July 16, 2025

Edward J. Barker, age 78, passed away Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at his home in Wauchula, Florida. Edward was born in Watertown, NY, on July 25, 1946, son of the late Walter and Mary (Birchenough) Barker. Edward was predeceased by his sisters Barbara, Joan, and Patricia. On November 12, 1983, he was married to Linda (Drum) Barker. Edward was a former Deputy Chief of the Scottsville Fire Department. He owned and operated Barker Flooring for over 40 years. Edward then moved to Copenhagen, New York, where he moved through the ranks and ultimately retired from the Department Authority of the North Country (DANC) as a Senior Heavy Equipment Operator. After retiring, Edward and Linda moved to Florida. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and he loved being outdoors. He was a champion bocce player and shuffleboard player. Edward's biggest pastime was telling his jokes whenever and wherever he could get someone to listen! He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Linda, his children, Jon (Jodi) Barker, Randy (Alecia) Barker, and Michael (Rakay Fiorito) Barker. He is also survived by six grandchildren: Hanna Barker, Brandon (Amanda Mietlicki) Barker, Trent Barker, Kayleigh (Paul) Centola, Corey (Jill) Wood, and Teah Fiorito. Linda's family and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. There will be a memorial and celebration of life at a future date in New York and Florida. Details will be shared once finalized.

Tribute Wall

JT

“ *My deepest condolences Linda and family.*

Joyce Taylor - July 26, 2025 at 11:14 PM

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“ *Listening to Ed and my father tell their jokes in Louie's was always a fun time.*



Elizabeth King Aubin - July 25, 2025 at 07:56 PM

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“ *Ed was a great man. We loved hearing his jokes and stopping by our house to talk. RIP Ed. My condolences to Linda and family. Brian and Jennifer Staples*

Brian and Jennifer Staples - July 25, 2025 at 02:07 PM

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“ *We have so many wonderful memories of Ed! From the first year of COVID where the 4 of us played cards almost every night, to our "getaway" to our condo in Orlando because our pool was closed at CLV, to all the "treasures" he found as people were getting rid of them to the dumpster - that all landed up on my porch! Ed was always the kind of man that no matter what help you needed, he was there! I'm not sure how I'll change the filter in my fridge because Ed always did it! He will be so dearly missed! My love and sincere sympathy to Linda and the boys!*

Marilyn Catlin - July 23, 2025 at 03:36 PM

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Ed was a part of our family he was one of Louie's boys, a long with the Kelley boys and the Hodkinson boys. We loved how we always were entertained with Ed's stories and jokes. He will be missed. Love from Louie's gang

JANICE HODKINSON - September 17, 2025 at 04:40 PM