



Kevin J. Barbour

June 3, 1955 - June 8, 2025

Kevin Joseph Barbour, 70, of Rockford, passed away on June 8, 2025. Born on June 3, 1955, in Kansas City, Kansas, Kevin was the beloved son of Robert Barbour and Joan (Stubblefield) Barbour.

Kevin was an Educator who dedicated his life to serving students in Chicago Public Schools. He chose to spend his career working in inner-city schools, driven by a deep sense of purpose and compassion. Kevin had a special gift for reaching children with learning disabilities, offering not just instruction but patience, presence, and unwavering belief in their potential. He was the kind of teacher who arrived early, stayed late, and never stopped advocating for those who needed him most.

Kevin married the love of his life, Lynn Stinnette, in a beautiful ceremony. Their love was a steady and joyful presence, full of laughter, loyalty, and mutual devotion. Kevin's warmth, wit, and gentle humor were a constant comfort to Lynn, even during life's hardest moments. He cherished his role as husband, stepfather, brother, and son, and found deep joy in the company of his extended family.

A man of deep faith, Kevin was a devoted Catholic who rarely missed Sunday Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral. His faith was lived out daily in his kindness, humility, and quiet acts of service.

Kevin had a special love for animals, especially his cherished Miniature Schnauzers, Maddie and Izzy, and his late Labrador Retrievers, Tucker, Trooper and Tosha. His home was always filled with warmth-whether from family gatherings, shared meals, or simply a dog curled at his feet.

Kevin is survived by his wife, Lynn Stinnette-Barbour; his stepson, Hugh Stinnette; his mother, Joan Barbour; his sisters, Kathy (Eli) Lazich and Kim (Brent) Abraham; half-sister, Misha Barbour; nieces and nephews, Ben, Carly, Zachary, Hannah, Jonah, Sophia, Tessa; extended family; and his beloved dogs, Maddie and Izzy. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Barbour; his sister, Kelly Barbour; niece, Kirsten and his Labrador Retrievers, Tucker and Trooper.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, June 14, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Grace Funeral & Cremation Services, 4301 N. Main St., Rockford, followed by a funeral service at 1:00 p.m. with Father Kenneth Anderson officiating. Burial will take place at Calvary

Catholic Cemetery.

To share a memory or express condolences, please visit www.graceFH.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Grace Funeral & Cremation Services
4301 N. Main St.
Rockford, IL 61103

Funeral Service

JUN 14. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

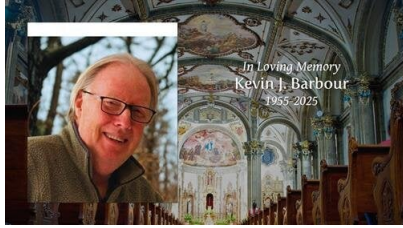
JUN 14. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Calvary Catholic Cemetery
8616 W. State Rd.
Winnebago, IL

Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Kevin J. Barbour



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - June 16, 2025 at 02:11 PM

KA

“ My brother was the most amazing self taught musician. We both shared the love of music. There are too many songs to count that will always bring him to my mind when I hear them.

One night in the 1960's Kevin was on the telephone trying to win tickets for us from a local radio station to go see the Monkees! I don't remember why but we thought we'd won! We were jumping up and down and yelling with excitement. Turned out we did not win tickets! I will always have that memory of us. Love and Peace, Kim

Kim Abraham - June 15, 2025 at 10:37 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Kevin J. Barbour.



June 13, 2025 at 02:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kevin J. Barbour.

June 13, 2025 at 02:52 PM

LM

“ Love always, Mom purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Kevin J. Barbour.



Love always, Mom - June 13, 2025 at 10:31 AM

LM

“ Love always, Mom planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kevin J. Barbour.

Love always, Mom - June 13, 2025 at 10:31 AM

KF

“ Kathy, Eli & family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance S pray for the family of Kevin J. Barbour.



Kathy, Eli & family - June 13, 2025 at 10:23 AM

KF

“ Kathy, Eli & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kevin J. Barbour.

Kathy, Eli & family - June 13, 2025 at 10:23 AM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Kevin J. Barbour.



June 13, 2025 at 08:42 AM