



Richard Barretta

February 15, 2023

Richard C. Barretta, 91 of Demarest, New Jersey, Passed Away on February 15, 2023.

Born in Cresskill, Richard grew up attending Merritt Memorial School in Cresskill and Tenafly High School. He was an active alumnus for both schools, planning and attending reunions and keeping in touch with old friends. After graduation Richard served in the Korean war and was stationed in Europe. Upon his return, Richard took over his father's plumbing business, Barretta Plumbing established 1928 and passed the business over to Rick and Bill in 1987 and it is currently being run as Barretta and Sons, Inc. When Richard retired he reinvented himself as a plumbing subcode official in seven Bergen County towns. Richard married Josephine D'Ippolito in 1956.

Josephine predeceased him in 2021. Richard is survived by his three sons: Frank (Anne), Rick (Michele), Billy (Ilisa); Six grandchildren: Nicole Stefanacci (Luke), Jami Egorow (Dan), Brittany Love (Jordan), Justine Barretta, Lindsey Barretta, and Garrett Barretta; and three great grandchildren: Gino Stefanacci, Serafina Stefanacci, and Skye Love. In his free time, He ran and also played competitive softball. He was especially proud of running in the masters and earning the title of national 100 meter champion at the age of 60. He was a devoted father to his three sons. During their childhoods, Richard was often found in his backyard, baseball bat in hand, playing creative games of catch with his sons and their friends from the neighborhood. Richard and his wife Josephine were fixtures at all their sons'

sporting events. Richard will be remembered as a proud father, grandfather and great-grandfather, as well as a quiet supporter to the community and to those in need. Visitation at Barrett Leber Funeral Home on Sunday, February 19, 2023 from 2-6 PM. Funeral Mass Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 10 AM at St. Therese Church, Cresskill. Interment to follow at Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Tenafly.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Carmel Cemetery

10 Serpentine Rd
Tenafly, NJ 07670

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **19**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Barrett Leber Funeral Home
148 Dean Dr
Tenafly, NJ 07670
(201) 568-8043
<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Mass

FEB **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Saint Therese of Liseux Church
120 Monroe Avenue
Cresskill, NJ 07626

Tribute Wall

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“ *Countless fun memories on vacations with Plumbers and their families hosted by Ridgewood Corp plumbing supply in Tenafly. Rich and his lovely wife Josephine were so much fun and always fun to be with. We are so sad to hear of his passing. We were just reminiscing and laughing the other day. With Love the Moscones*

maddie - February 18, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Barretta.*



February 18, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Richard Barretta.*



February 17, 2023 at 10:13 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Barretta.*



February 16, 2023 at 07:52 PM

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“ Rich was a true gentleman. I know my son Daniel will miss him dearly. They loved to talk tiger football non stop. One memory I will always have is a tribute to kind of dad he was. He was so proud of Rick getting his sports award and even announced it at the Italian event. I always enjoyed his company and his 3 sons are a true examples of the man he was. Rest in Peace my friend.

ANTHONY BARZELATTO - February 16, 2023 at 12:57 PM

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*Frank and family so sorry for your loss , thoughts and prayers Love
The Oliver Family*

kathy and bill oliver - February 18, 2023 at 12:12 PM