



Barry James

July 29, 1952 - March 31, 2013

Mr. Barry Hamilton James, age 60, passed away Sunday, March 31, 2013. Barry was an educator for over 30 years, serving as a teacher, principal and administrator during that time. He was a graduate of West Georgia College and a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. Barry was an avid UGA fan. He also enjoyed traveling especially on cruises and anywhere near the water. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father, brother and friend. Barry is survived by his wife, Tracy Elliott James of Tyrone; daughter, Audri-Alice Blanks James of Tyrone; son, Mack Hamilton James and his fiancée', Katherine Conger of Fayetteville; sister, Cheryl Morris and her husband, John of Newnan; brothers, Bob James and his wife, Carol of North Carolina, Chuck James and his wife, Vicki of Forest Park. A Memorial Service will be held Friday, April 5, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at Community Bible Church 2001 Jodeco Rd., Stockbridge, GA 30281, 770-914-0808 with Rev. Jack Bartlett officiating. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at www.parrottfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to The Care Fund at Flat Rock Middle School, 325 Jenkins Rd., Tyrone, GA 30290. The family will receive friends Thursday, April 4, 2013 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory, 8355 Senoia Rd., Fairburn, GA 30213.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CH

“ I was deeply saddened to find out he passed away so young... I am a former student of his from Burch Elementary, and came across this while researching some things on my home town. He was an amazing educator and principle, and he left this world far too early.

Chris - November 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ I did not know until July 26 that Barry had passed away. I am so sorry for the loss. Barry was a big part of the best years of my life, 1969-1973. All of our Cavalier-PiKappaAlpha brothers share this sadness with you.

Steve Purvis - July 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Tracey- Terri & I are very sorry for your loss. Barry was a special and dear friend. Please try to focus on all of the positive memories that you have of the time that you spent together.

Sam & Terri Ellison - April 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Sorry to hear of Barry's passing. My strongest memory of him is of how helpful he was to me when I made my career change into teaching in 1991. And I always saw a smile whenever we ran into each other.

harry fitch - April 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Barry was so full of love and compassion and a true zest for life. He really did lead by example and I was lucky to have known him.

Alice and Bill MacDonald - April 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ I am so sorry for your family's loss. Barry was sometimes seated near me, when we had teachers who chose alphabetic seating. He was a great person. Others that knew him better than I say he was always so kind. I did not know he was an educator. What a legacy to leave behind. My daughter and son-in-law carry that mantle too. It takes a special person to take on such responsibility. Blessings to You ALL who loved him and had him in your life.

Peggy Hunt Anderson - April 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ You will be missed thru your friends from Forest Park. Prayers are with your family. Rest in peace my friend.

Pat Murray - April 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ So very sorry to hear of Barry's passing. We moved to Fayette in 1983 because of the great reputation of North Fayette Elem. & his leadership. He was principal for two of our children and then hired me in 1985~what a wonderful principal he was and a very loving & caring man. We will miss him greatly.

Diane Pullen - April 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TT

“*Mr. James was my principal at North Fayette Elementary when I was a student there as a fifth and sixth grader. I had the honor of going back to North Fayette Elementary as an assistant principal myself for five years as an adult. His legacy as a principal there will live on in the building and memories of the teachers' and students' lives that he touched such as mine. I continue to be an administrator in Fayette County Public Schools today. Knowing Mr. James when I was a student and growing into an adult, he is highly respected and well-loved by former students, colleagues, and peers. It is hard to imagine this world without him in it. Heaven has truly called home an angel that has made a difference in this world. Thank you God for sharing him with us.*

*Sincerely,
Your Former Student from North Fayette Elementary*

Tracey Jordan Tyree - April 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BR

“*I worked with Mr. James when he was principal at R. J. Burch Elementary school. He was a supporting administrator, student advocate, and a warm, caring person. He will be remembered fondly by many!*

beth refuss - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JA

“*Barry was such a great man. My thoughts are with you. I wish you all the best and hope you find peace in this very sad time.*

Jennifer Adgie - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Mr. James will truly be missed. He was a great man. Your family is in our thought's and prayers. [FRMS Cafeteria Manager]*

Connie Earwood - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I would like to send my sincere thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Mr. James was my principal at North Fayette Elem. School. this was during the early 80's. May god bless all of you through this time.*

Dawn Flanagan Seamster - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ *Our time on earth is too short, but Barry made the most of it! A friend, a fraternity brother and a mentor!!! You will be missed! Al and Marsha*

Al Oxford - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Tracy, you and your children are in my thoughts and prayers. Barry was loved by all each time our paths crossed at BES and FRMS. As spring approaches, I will miss seeing you on the tennis courts. God has gained quite a warrior!*

Melba Ballew - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Barry James. He welcomed me to North Fayette with a warm smile as a 5th grader years ago. He was my first experience into the public school system and Fayette County! I was then honored to work with him at Tyrone Elementary just a few years ago. What a blessing it was to see a different side of him as a co- worker and not a principal. He will truly be missed. May God be with each one of his family members during this time.

Brittain Kruse - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ I am so, so saddened by the loss of a great administrator and friend. He had such a big heart and was always personable to all. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

Karen Parkinson - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VV

“ I remember Barry fondly. Love, patience, and togetherness is what will help with the ones left behind who mourn Barry. Prayers and blessings to you all. Sincerely, Verna

Verna Peck Vincent - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ dearest Tracey and family, Our deepest sympathy with your loss. Barry was a wonderful man and will be greatly missed by all. We will always Remeber his kindness and understanding in helping us when we immigrated from South Africa in 1991. Fondest regards, Amor and Andre' Kok

Amor and Andre Kok - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dear Family,

You are in my thoughts and prayers. It was a blessing to know Barry. I taught with him at Peachtree City Elementary. Barry had a great sense of humor and was a strong advocate for children. He will certainly be missed.

Sincerely,

Shearer Rogers

Shearer Rogers - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *I am so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers go out to the entire James family.*

Charles Vargas - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *My thoughts go out to Mr. James family. He was my principal at North Fayette Elm and he always remembered his kids many years later. The school system has lost one of the great ones.*

Kelly Edwards Lemberg - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Barry James was such a wonderful person, friend who loved life to its fullest. Our hearts and prayers go out to his loving family and know that we loved him and will miss him.*

Carlos, Abril, Francisco and Alexis Montaña

Abril Montano - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ I used to work with Cheryl, his sister and heard her speak so much of him. God Bless you and your family and grant you peace and comfort during this time.

Kathy and Bobby Lassiter - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Tracy, So sorry to lose Barry. We are praying for you and for you and your family

david and hazel mc crite - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ We are so sorry for your loss as he was a great person. He was my brother, Butch Cline's best friend and his wife, Debbie's cousin. Our prayers are with your family.

Mark and Michele Cline - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ Barry was a special man that truly made a positive difference in so many lives! My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Emily Haralson - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ FRMS won't be the same Monday morning. Co-workers and students repected and loved Mr. James. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and the change in their lives. Mr.James will be missed, but not forgotten.

Susan Boyd - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ He will be missed. He was a great principal and much loved by children.

Danielle Raslan - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. No words can express how much he will be missed. He was genuine and loved everyone. His face would light up and you knew you had a friend for life. I will miss that friend but cherish the memories. Bless him and you. He lives in all he loved and loved him.

Andy Adgie - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Tracy, Mark and I are so sorry to hear about your loss! Mark and Barry were very close brothers while at West Georgia. We were there from 72 -76. I am so glad Mark and I went to the Pike reunion last summer and that we had the opportunity to meet you and spend some time with Barry and you. Again Tracy, we are so saddened by this news and wish you and family and friends strength and faith and many fine memories of your life with Barry!

Mark and Holly Fenlon - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ We are so sad to hear of Barry's passing. The world has lost a special man. We will always have fond, fun memories of Barry. Our prayers are with you.

Charlie & Nancy Sheets

Charlie & Nancy Sheets - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Barry's family and friends. I worked a short while with him at Peachtree City Elementary in the early 80's and all of the staff had high regard for him. It was evident how much he enjoyed his work and cared for the students.*

Judy Evans - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the James' family.*

Joan Randers - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Tracy & Family,*

*We are so sorry for your lost. Barry was the kind of person that made you feel like a friend the minute you meet him.
God bless You.*

Danny & Rebecca Marshall - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ *It was a pleasure to have met Barry and we are so sorry for your loss. May you and your family find peace during this difficult time.*

Greg Huff - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Thanks for the memories Barry! You were the brother that everyone looked up to.No one was more respected than you . You were always the life of the party sand true brother thought and thought. Thanks for helping to making all of our lives as Pikes special. You were one of the main reasons I became a pike! I love you brother*

David Armour - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Dear family, I am so sorry for your loss. Barry was a great friend and educator. I have such wonderful memories, teaching with him at Peachtree City Elem. and later at the County office.

Sincerely,
Kristie Bittle Jones

Kristie Bittle Jones - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ I will miss you, Barry. God granted you a special ability to bring joy to others and to find the best in each of us. You will be missed. God Bless You.

Ed Steil - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal."
Many of us have fond memories of working with Barry because of the love and caring he showed for his faculty and students. My thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time of loss.

Beth Sullivan - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Fayette County has lost a great leader...and good human being!
Our prayers go out to the family!

Karen and Clark Hanes - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ So sorry to hear of Barry's passing. I always enjoyed his happy attitude. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Linda Kipa - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Barry from high school until now was a life time friend and will be missed very much. Our friendship was great and Barry always consider my family the same way. Loving memories for a great man.

DAN GRIFFIN - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ We are saddened to learn about the passing of our old buddy, Barry. From the old days at Peachtree City Elementary School we have so many fond memories. He was a great friend at school and after hours. We will miss him. We would like to send up prayers to his family for comfort and healing. Janice and Al (Butch) Joseph

Janice Joseph - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ My prayers and sympathy to Barry's family. He was a wonderful person who I have know since Jr. High School. So very glad I saw him and talked with him a few years ago. He was always uplifting and had a kind word for all. He will be treasured in my vault of friends forever.

Teresa Roache Parker - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Tracy, I'm so sorry to hear about your loss of Barry. He was a wonderful friend and I have and will miss him. I know he is with the Lord now but the ones left hear still are hurting till we can be reunited.

Don McGinnis - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Flat Rock will not be the same without our beloved Mr. James. Always a hardy "Good morning, Teacher" and never without a smile. Rest in peace, my friend. Your journey has ended and you have gone on to your much deserved reward.

Susan Skaff - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

K.

“ So sorry to learn of your loss. May God comfort you and bring you peace through the loving promise of the resurrection.

K.Carney-Rev.21:4 - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ We would like to express our sympathy in the passing of a great friend. Janice worked with Barry at Peachtree Elementary School for a number of years before I was assigned there as principal. I selected Barry as my assistant principal and thus he began his career as an administrator. Other comments have spoken well of what others thought of him. He had a successful career in the field of education. He was kind, compassionate always putting the child first. It was our pleasure having the opportunity to work with him and we treasured his friendship through the years. May God wrap His loving arms around each of the family members during this time.

Larry and Janice Teal - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, Tracy, and your family. I saw Barry just last week at FRMS. I hadn't seen in in over a year, and I am glad we had a chance to talk. Barry lived a "big" life and will be missed.

Sandra Watson - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Rest in peace my friend*

Tommy Keith - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ *Barry was a great guy. He was also a heck of a ball player. I was proud to be his fraternity brother and will miss him.*

Larry Kalski

Larry Kalski - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Our hearts are filled with sadness.
Our thoughts and prayers are with Tracy, Adri, & Mack.*

Judson and Mary - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *I had the honor of getting to know Barry the year he worked at Tyrone Elementary as a special education paraprofessional. He worked so hard with my students; teaching them reading. He was always 'creating' reading worksheets to reinforce what the small group had gone over that day. On any given afternoon you could find Barry at his desk handwriting worksheets for the following day for his reading group; going above and beyond for his students. That's what he did. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. He touched some many lives each and everyday.*

Meredith Rosenberg - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *Been nearly 40 years & it seems like yesterday. All of your "Brothers" will truly miss your sparkling life & amazing example. Godspeed...*

Bill Driver - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Tracy, our hearts are broken to hear about your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. If we can do anything for you, please let us know. Hugs~*

Dan and Joan Griffin - April 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Dear Tracy and family,
Our hearts are so heavy tonight to receive word that Barry has passed away. He will be greatly missed by so many..Please know that you all will remain in our thoughts and prayers in these difficult days ahead.*

Bill and Sheila Burrell - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *Having know Barry since way back when he was graduating high school, I remember him as a gentle and kind person. May God grant his family peace in knowing that he is in heaven with the Lord.*

LaVanda Ivie Gibbs - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Mr. James was my elementary school principal at North Fayette. I vividly remember crying my last day of 6th grade and him hugging me and wishing me the best. So sad to hear of his passing.*

Jennie Glidewell Fuller - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ *Barry James*

Ryan Johnson - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *Barry was just the best! He was the best principal, friend, and cared so much for everyone, students, teachers, his family! Tracy our love and prayers are with you, Audri, and Mack. May fair winds blow you swiftly home Barry.*

Keith & Susan Graham - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Principal James ... Will never forget you !! I received the 1985 Principals award from you at North Fayette Elm.. I will always cherish that memory*

Jason Stine - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *So sad to hear of Barry's passing. He was my first boss in the FCBOE and a great man to work for. His joy for life will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.*

Donna Wright - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *I was a new teacher fresh out of college in 1986 when Barry hired me at NFE. To this day, he is one of the best principals I have worked for. He was kind, professional supportive, and fun! I will always treasure those memories. Praying for comfort for his family.*

Lynn Strain Alford - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ *Barry was a very special man! I loved working with him at N. Fayette Elem. for six years. He was very passionate about the children and always desired to keep their needs foremost in his work! We have lost an outstanding educator and man.*

Sandra Kidd - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *Fond memories of my brother and our days on Maple Street. Our love goes out to his family! Glad we caught up at the Cavalier/Pike get together.*

All my love!

Ron & Nancy Hollifield - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Barry's passing. He was a very special person. I will always be grateful to him for believing in me.*

Terri Gerhardt - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Barry was an amazing boss because he was an amazing friend and an amazing man. I was honored to work for him and more so to know him. He made his mark on Burch Elementary and every teacher and student he worked with. Our family's thoughts prayers and love are with you all.*

Laura Higgins - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ I had the privilege of working with Barry for a few years at Flat Rock. He was one of the kindest men I have ever known. He was a true educator and loved working with students. My thoughts are with his wife and children.

Shery Kearney - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ We are truly saddened by Barry's passing. He was the kind of friend and leader that we are so proud to have had on our Burch team!! We will miss you and your sweet spirit Barry and pray for the Lord to comfort you Tracey, Audri, and Mack. With hugs~

Donna and Ricky Baena - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you! He knew laughter was good for the soul, and kept us laughing!

Sue and George Cleek - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ So sorry Berry is not with us here on earth any more. I remember going dancing on Old National Highway and having sooo much fun. You will be missed and love and blessings to his family.

Annette Ford - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ So sorry for your loss, Mr. James was an amazing man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time!!

Shanda Whitlock - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ A truly dedicated educator - he made Fayette County schools a better place for so many of us.

Kathy Cox - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Saddened by the news of Mr. James' home going. He was, and still is, my favorite principal off all time. I remember when he first came to Burch and the first time I met him. A lot of us Burch Bears are adults now, some married, some not....but I can honestly say he is a man you cannot forget. He is truly one in a million. May he rest in peace and his family have comfort.

Celeste Shropshire - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ you touch many kids lives and you will never be forgotten your legacy will always be carried on though the thousands of kids you helped teach

Nicholas Matthews - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Tracey,Audrey and Mack. We are truly saddened by the loss of your loved one. He was a wonderful man and I was privileged to work for him at North Fayette Elementary. He loved every child he came in contact with and both of my children loved and respected him tremendously. He will be missed but always remembered by every heart he touched. May God bless you in this difficult time. All our Love

Jennifer and Gary St Clair - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ you will be truly missed what a blessing knowing you. rip

jessica turner - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I was so sad to hear the news of Mr. James' passing. He was the principal at North Fayette while I was there in the 80's. He was such a nice man. He was very warm and caring. He will be missed by all who knew him. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Courtney Waits Pate - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Mr. James was one of a kind. He was the type of person who took care of people and didn't care who you were or where you came from. He loved all the children who had the good fortune of crossing his path. I feel blessed to have known him. He will be greatly missed.

Kristi Goss - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Delores Toothaker - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I consider myself truly blessed to have worked for and with Barry. He was always so supportive and encouraging. I remember him fondly all dressed up on Immigration Day at Burch. Sincere condolences to his family.

Chris Schmieg - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ *May God receive you in heaven with all his glory. May the Lord provide strenght to Family and friends in this difficult times. We will remember you as a great human being with a great heart.*

Nancy Nieves - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *I really enjoyed working with Barry at Burch Elementary. He was a kind and compassionate principal. The kids loved it when he gave them the bear paw. Sleep well my friend.*

Katy Linteris - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *Barry was one of those people that you don't forget. He was so sweet and funny and truly interested in others. He will be missed and condolences to his wife and children.*

Joan Neeld - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *To one of the greatest men I've ever known. Love you and God Bless your family. You will be missed!*

David & Christy Stephenson - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *I was so sorry to hear of Barry's passing. He was a kind and caring man who will be missed.*

Lynne Gray - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ My heart was broken when I got the phone call. Barry was not only an amazing principal he was a great friend. He taught me so much and he will be missed. My heart goes out to you, Traci, Audri and Mack. I love you Bary!

JoDee - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ I will truly miss going to work and getting a cheery greeting from Mr. James. He always made my day brighter. I will miss you terribly, Mr. James. God Bless.

Tracy Baggs - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ I worked with Barry at Burch, and he was a joy to work with. He nurtured all the teachers and students all emphasizing their strengths and bringing out the best in everybody! He loved his family as well as everyone he met.

Marilyn Teat - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ So sorry to hear about your loss. Praying for peace for all of you.

Bobby & Amber Stevens - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Barry will be missed for so many of his wonderful traits. Some of them being his ability to make everyone feel important and welcomed into the fold. Always with a smile to share. We are all saddened to lose such a dear friend. Prayers to the whole family from his college friends.

Diane Enns Hooper - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LS

“Mr. James” was awesome - even if I got sent to his office a time or two. He fostered creativity, and students really liked him. He was a Princi“pal.” I appreciate the influence Barry had on my life and was lucky to have been in contact just a few years ago. My heart and prayers go out to Tracy, the family and others, who love him.

Lorelei Odom Shipp - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Barry was a wonderful principal and I enjoyed working with him at Burch. I have so many fond memories. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Kathleen Akins - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ What a privilege to know Barry and to work directly with him at Burch just one year. Barry felt that one of his greatest traits was loyalty- and he was loyal - to his wife and kids first, and to the school system and the children he served. He blessed so many lives. His eyes lit up when talking about his beloved, Tracy or one of his children. You were the biggest blessings in his life.

Tracie Fleming - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ I appreciate very much the opportunity Barry gave me to work in the school system many years ago as he did many others... He was a kind man who loved children and once told me he couldn't imagine a higher calling than to educate - but thought that he had learned more from the children. He will be missed - blessings to his family and prayers are being lifted up for you all.

Pamela White - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *What a great guy to work with...and just to be around. He kept us all upbeat and on our toes.
A great educator, husband, father, and friend to all. I'll miss you buddy.*

Douglas Bennett - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *Our hearts are broken.....Barry cared about each person for who that person is.....non-judgemental and accepting of everyone. He taught us a great lesson in love. Prayers and love flying to Tracy, Audri and Mack.*

Bill and Winkie Greenhaw - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *My heart is heavy with the loss of this warm, caring man. Thoughts and prayers are with you, Tracy, Audri, and Mack, as you face the days ahead. Barry will be missed greatly by all who knew him.*

Angie Meredith - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *We are both saddened and shocked. He was such a positive influence in our lives from high school and all through our adult lives. We will miss him. Our symphathy to Tracy, Audrey, Mack and family.*

Jerry & Rhonda - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *We were so surprised and saddened to hear of Barry's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you... He will be missed.*

Marty, Kate, & Ryan Sas - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ *Mr. James was such a sweet and funny man! I often would tell my kids about things he would do with us kids at North Fayette Elm.*

Lynn Parrott Norris - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ *What a great man!!!! He lead a lot of students down life's highway. Thank you for sharing him.*

Chad Zellner - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *What great memories I have of Mr. James as my elementary principal in the 80's. I know he is enjoying his water front mansion now! May you be comforted in your loss and know he reached so, so, so many kids who have now grown to be world-changers!*

Courtney Bryant Bon - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ *It was a pleasure to work with "Sir Barry" at Flat Rock. Always quick to give a hug or lend a hand. Some of the best administrative advice I've been given came from him. One of the kindest, sweetest men I've known. We'll all miss you...*

Aimee Gumerson - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Oh, how I will miss my friend Barry! Those warm, witty morning welcomes, that twinkle in his eye as he was telling a good story from days gone by, the heart-felt encouragement and advice he so humbly offered, the daily reminders not to take ourselves too seriously but to take what we do seriously.... I could write so much about this wonderful friend. I will miss his wisdom, his loyalty, and his compassionate heart. Tracy, Mack, and Audri, I never had a conversation with him where he didn't mention one of you. His unwavering love for all of you was at the very core of who he was. May God bring you comfort through the days ahead.

Sandi Clough - April 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM