



## George Barron, Jr.

January 21, 1937 - February 21, 2018

Mr. George Leonard Barron, Jr., age 81, of Tyrone, GA passed away, Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Mr. Barron was born and raised in East Point, graduating from Russell High School. He was a veteran of the U. S. Navy, and attended law school while working and helping to raise a family. He graduated from Woodrow Wilson College of Law in 1973, cum laude. Mr. Barron practiced law his entire career in the Tri-Cities area, with other attorneys, including Frank Coggin, Rowland Barnes, Jim Archer, George Sparrow, and his daughter Garlan Furin. Mr. Barron also served as a Municipal Court Judge in East Point, College Park and Hapeville, from 1980 until his retirement. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Margaret Erwin Barron and is survived by his wife, Mary Jane Barron; daughters, Garlan Furin and her husband, Brandt, of Atlanta, Gretchen Barron of Portland, OR; son, Graham Barron and his wife, Lynsey of Atlanta; sister Beryl Smith and her husband, Mike, of Concord, NC; grandchildren, Caroline Furin and Luke Barron. A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 4 o'clock at the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Camp Sunshine, [www.donatenow.networkforgood.org/1439664](http://www.donatenow.networkforgood.org/1439664). Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at [www.parrottfuneralhome.com](http://www.parrottfuneralhome.com). The family will receive friends Saturday afternoon from 3:00 until the time of service at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory, 770-964-4800.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 3. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
8355 Senoia Road  
Fairburn, GA 30213  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of George Barron, Jr.*



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**Parrott Funeral Home** - March 02, 2018 at 11:02 AM

JA

“ *Jayne lit a candle in memory of George Barron, Jr.*



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**Jayne** - March 05, 2018 at 06:32 AM

JA

“ I had the absolute pleasure of working with the Honorable George (Bunky) Barron when he and Judge Rowland Barnes first became Attorneys.  
What a completely honorable, caring and family man he was. I remember him scurrying out of the office the day Graham was born. He showed his love for each family member daily.  
Janie, Garlan, Gretchen & Graham I know how much you will miss him. You will be able to take solace in your fond memories of this great man. His love for family is more than words can describe.  
What a fair & concerned Attorney (and afterwards Judge) he was. His care of clients was always above and beyond.  
Bunky, you are one of my heros and I salute you for touching so many lives with your love, fairness and justice.  
Rest in peace my forever friend !!

Jayne B.

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**Jayne** - March 05, 2018 at 06:31 AM

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“ Worked with Judge Barron for many years when he was the East Point Municipal Court Judge. As fine a gentleman as I have ever known. He was a legend on the bench!!

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**Capt. Bob Mathews (EPPD-Ret.)** - March 03, 2018 at 09:25 PM

JJ

“ Judge Barron was an outstanding jurist, and an accomplished attorney. He will be missed by all of us.

Gary E. Jackson  
Immediate Past President  
Council of Municipal Court Judges

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**Judge Gary E Jackson** - March 03, 2018 at 12:12 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Barron, Jr..*



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March 02, 2018 at 04:30 PM



“ *From: Judge Glen Ashman (East Point Municipal Court)*

*I was saddened to hear of the passing of my former Chief Judge, mentor, and dear friend George Barron. Way back in 1988 he took a still fairly young attorney, showed his confidence in me, and recommended me for the judgeship I still hold. His advice, training and friendship will always be cherished. One of my fondest memories of him was a day he was presiding in College Park Court and I had a client here for a hearing. He had recently moved into their new facility and he took time to give me the tour (right during the middle of court). For years even after he left East Point, I'd see him as a regular in our annual Savannah judge's training, and I wanted to mention here what an important man he was in my life - and to tell his family and friends how much he is missed.*

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**Glen Ashman** - March 02, 2018 at 01:00 PM



*Although I have a prior commitment for the time of his funeral, I will be there in spirit. I also have forwarded his obituary to all his fellow Georgia Municipal Court Judges via the AOC website.*

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**Glen Ashman** - March 02, 2018 at 01:05 PM



I left a slightly different farewell on my Facebook feed, and I wanted to share it here as it has two courtroom memories:

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Saying a farewell to my one-time Chief Judge, long-time mentor, friend and colleague, Judge George Barron (former judge in East Point, College Park and Hapeville), who passed away a week ago. Back in 1988, he had confidence in a much younger me and wanted me as a judge in the court where I still sit, and "Bunkie" (as friends knew him) will be missed.

A couple tales from his time on the bench... I recall his admonition to the courtroom about DUI defendants claiming "I only had two beers" inspiring (allegedly) a great response from one defendant "Your honor I might have had one, and I might have had three, but I know I didn't have two beers."

Another piece of traffic court history: "You're saying the light was yellow, and the officer is saying it was red, but none says it was green."

His obituary is <http://www.parrottfuneralhome.com/obitua.../George-Barron-Jr/...> and just a few hours ago I learned his memorial is tomorrow. Farewell, my friend!

Glen Ashman - March 02, 2018 at 05:07 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Parrott Funeral Home - March 02, 2018 at 09:49 AM

BC

“ So sorry to hear about George. He was a wonderful friend to Frank and I. Prayers for you during this time.

*Love, Billie Coggin*

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**Billie Coggin** - March 01, 2018 at 02:16 PM

EB

“ The families of Evie Banister Smith and Jerri Bellah send their condolences. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this time of your loss.

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**Evie Banister and Jerri Bellah** - March 01, 2018 at 01:56 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of George Barron, Jr..



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March 01, 2018 at 10:30 AM

DL

“ So sorry to hear this. Judge Barroe was a truly wonderful person. My husband and I still feel very honored that he married us. Prayers for the family.

*Chuck, Donna and Hope Leonard*

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**Donna Leonard** - February 28, 2018 at 02:47 PM

JD

“ Judge Monica Ewing & Solicitor Al Dixon purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of George Barron, Jr..



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**Judge Monica Ewing & Solicitor Al Dixon** - February 28, 2018  
at 09:59 AM

CS

“ I'm so sad to hear about Judge Barron's passing. Judge Barron was a very kind man and an outstanding Judge. He always had words of advice for me when I was a young rookie officer. I almost have his speech that he gave at the beginning of court memorized. My sympathies and prayers are with the family.

Cody Smith, College Park PD

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**Cody Smith** - February 28, 2018 at 08:46 AM

TB

“ Having known Judge Barron practically my entire life, it was an honor to be a police officer in his court in East Point for so many years. He was amongst the finest men I've ever known. He was an asset to the citizens of the Tri Cities area. One of my favorite lines of his in court was, “You're saying yellow, and the officer is saying red, but nobody is saying green.” He will be missed. Garlan, Gretchen, and Graham - he was a great man and loved telling me about all of you every chance he got.

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**Tim Barge** - February 27, 2018 at 06:00 PM

GF

Thanks Tim, appreciate it.

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**Garlan Furin** - February 28, 2018 at 08:55 AM

MA

“ My sympathies to the family and friends. In 23 years of Law Enforcement few people have been as memorable or left as favorable an impression like he did for me. It was a sad day when he chose to leave East Point and now an even sadder day that he has passed. Rest in Peace Sir- you have surely earned it.

Sgt. M. Austin East Point Police

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**Michael Austin** - February 27, 2018 at 09:52 AM

MC

“ I am so sorry that I will be unable to attend, but you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Judge Barron was one of the kindest, most decent men I ever had the pleasure to know. What a precious, sweet spirit. Was thinking about him this past weekend and what a blessing he was to me at that time in my life. I will miss him. Janie and Garlan, I am so sorry for your loss. He loved you both so!

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**Meg Cauchy** - February 27, 2018 at 09:03 AM

MC

I apologize for leaving out Graham and Gretchen...beloved family as well.

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**Meg Cauchy** - February 27, 2018 at 09:27 AM

GF

Thank you Meg!

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**Garlan Furin** - February 27, 2018 at 12:36 PM

JB

I thank you too, Meg.

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**Janie Barron** - February 28, 2018 at 08:03 AM

CD

“ College Park Police Department purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of George Barron, Jr..



College Park Police Department - February 26, 2018 at 03:51 PM

AN

“ Janie, I just found out today that George passed. I am so sorry for your loss. Take care and God Bless.

Arlene Neely - February 26, 2018 at 03:51 PM

JB

Arlene, thank you.

Janie Barron - February 28, 2018 at 08:04 AM

JH

“ I am very sad to hear of Judge Barron's passing, my prayers for the family. I learned so much from him over the years as a Judge and as a friend. He married my wife and I 10 years ago. I'm glad I had the chance to know him.

Jeff Hightower - February 26, 2018 at 12:56 PM

JR

“ Dear Janie we are so sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you

Jo Ramm - February 24, 2018 at 03:36 PM

JB

Thank you, Jo.

Janie Barron - February 28, 2018 at 08:04 AM

JR

“ *Jo Ramm lit a candle in memory of George Barron, Jr.*



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**Jo Ramm** - February 24, 2018 at 03:35 PM

EA

“ *Sorry to hear about Judge Barron's passing. He was a good man and a fair Judge when he sat on the bench in East Point. He was always available when we needed him, day or night. He was an asset to everyone he worked with.*

*Ed Anderson*

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**Ed Anderson** - February 24, 2018 at 02:02 PM

RB

“ *Such fond memories of George "Bunky" Barron! Lifting his sweet family in our prayers during this difficult time.*

*Connie & Ron Bratcher*

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**Ron Connie Bratcher** - February 24, 2018 at 01:25 PM

AH

“ *So many good memories of a good man. He will be missed.*

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**Audrey and Bobby Harrelson** - February 24, 2018 at 10:05 AM

GF

*Thank y'all.*

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**Garlan Furin** - February 28, 2018 at 08:56 AM

BS

“ The fact that I had "Bunky Barron" as a friend for 68+ years is more than I could have asked for in my lifetime He was right there for me every step of the way. Many, Many, fond memories. I will miss him as will many others. Maybe I will see him again someday.

*Bud Shelton*

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**Bud Shelton** - February 23, 2018 at 10:02 PM

GF

*Thank you Bud.*

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**Garlan Furin** - February 26, 2018 at 04:58 PM

JB

*Very appreciated, Bud.*

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**Janie Barron** - February 28, 2018 at 08:05 AM

PW

“ That George did become a highly respected Judge did almost wipe away most folks' memory of his early fame as a member of the Atomic Safety Committee at Russell High.  
A profoundly likable man who treated all humans with kindness and respect, he made friends wherever he went. We will miss him.  
*Phil Wall, a Classmate & Friend*

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**Phil Wall** - February 23, 2018 at 08:52 PM

GF

*Thank you for that story! Garlan Furin*

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**Garlan Furin** - February 26, 2018 at 04:58 PM

RB

“ *Janie and Family,  
Know that our thoughts and prayers are with each of you. Hang on  
to many good memories each of you have of your husband and  
father. We pray that God will continue to bless and comfort you  
during these difficult times.*

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**Rebecca and Leeman Barge** - February 23, 2018 at 06:59 PM