



Lethan Alan Barnes

September 13, 1942 - October 2, 2019

Services for Lethan Alan Barnes, 77 years of age, of Tyler, will be held on Tuesday, October 8th at 10:00 a.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Dr. David O. Dykes and Rev. Ron Wells officiating. Burial will follow at Cathedral in the Pines in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Dr. Barnes passed away Wednesday, October 2, 2019 in Christus Trinity Mother Francis Hospital. He was born September 13, 1942 in Abilene to Hoyt and Nettie Barnes.

Alan was devoted to God and family. He was passionate about encouraging others to achieve both spiritual and intellectual growth. Alan was an active member of Green Acres Baptist Church where he enjoyed singing in the Choir and teaching Sunday School. A graduate from Texas A&M Class of 66', Alan was a proud Aggie often wearing maroon. For over four decades, Dr. Barnes was a professor and academic counselor at Tyler Junior College.

Alan was preceded in death by his parents, Hoyt and Nettie Barnes; his brother, Wilman Barnes; and his loving wife, Barbara Barnes (Martin). He is survived by his loving family including his wife, Nan Barnes; his children, Chrissy, Terry, Tandy, and Patrick Barnes; Nan's daughters, Shannon Stiefel and Amy Annett and husband Mark; grandchildren, Mia, Bailey and Sarah, Tristan and Isabelle Barnes, Brandon and Blayne Noble, Aubry Blackmon,

Trevin Annett and wife Alicia and Trent Annett; and great-grandchildren, Rene and Lily Annett.

Pallbearers will be Rick Stewart, Alan Fisher, Joe Dark, Jim Reed, Mark Mueller, and Clint Chamberlain. Honorary pallbearers will be Gideon Members of East Camp Tyler.

Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 7th at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to either of the following: Gideons International, P.O. Box 131997 Tyler, TX 75713-1993 (check memo: "For Bibles") or Centrepoint Ministries, P.O. Box 2464 Lindale, TX 75771.

Cemetery Details

Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue
Tyler, TX 75703

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Service

OCT 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Lethan Alan Barnes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - October 08, 2019 at 10:56 AM



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lethan Alan Barnes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - October 07, 2019 at 05:29 PM

AN

“ So many years later I am looking up Dr Barnes only to realize he has passed. He was always kind with an open door, kind words, an always stocked candy jar, and an optimistic outlook. It's been almost 30 years since he was my guidance counsellor and will always remember him so fondly. So very sorry for your loss.

Anila - September 03, 2024 at 02:44 PM



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Stewart Family Funeral Home - October 07, 2019 at 05:26 PM



“ *Actually I always knew Dr. Barnes as Alan. I took a class at TJC that he taught - maybe English, but one of the best instructors I ever had. He just know how to do it!* Carolyn Halbrooks Bain

Carolyn Bain - October 07, 2019 at 01:54 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lethan Alan Barnes.*



October 07, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lethan Alan Barnes.*



October 07, 2019 at 10:02 AM



“ *Dr. Barnes was a great colleague, compassionate friend, and mentor for me. He will be sorely missed!*
M. Khosrowshahi

Manouchehr Khosrowshahi - October 07, 2019 at 09:52 AM



“ *I met Dr. Barnes in 1996, when his office was still in Pirtle Tech. I was a nervous wreck that day. My life had recently been turned on its ear when I was forced to retire from my beloved career, as a skating coach, due to a heart issue. As a non-traditional student, my oldest child was already enrolled at TJC! How could I possibly return to college-at my age? But that smile!! And that mischievous giggle of his!! And his generous nature!!*
So many qualities I came to cherish through the years.He set me at ease in moments. He was excited for me that day, as he said, "embarking on this new chapter in life."
In less than an hour, my dread of starting over transformed into a Fall schedule which included a class he recommended: American Sign Language! The ITP AAS I earned while he was my Advisor and Professor led me to complete a M. Ed and to become a Certified Interpreter working in all levels of Dr. Barnes' English classes for more than 15 years. SO MANY MEMORIES!!! How I miss you Dr. Barnes! Tina D.

Tina - October 07, 2019 at 09:51 AM

AW

“ *What a kind-hearted man. Easy going and dependable. I knew him primarily as our fraternity sponsor, where he lived the ideals of Brotherhood daily. Negotiated us out of many situations because he BELIEVED in the principles involved. Respected and Loved by all whose lives he touched. Godspeed, Brother L.A.*

alan "doc" white - October 07, 2019 at 02:10 AM

LM

“ *Loretta Martinez lit a candle in memory of Lethan Alan Barnes*



Loretta Martinez - October 07, 2019 at 01:30 AM

EC

“ *Mr. L.A. Barnes left a lifelong impact, impression and improvement on so many if us who had the pleasure of knowing him. I was fortunate enough to know him on so many levels, as a student in his English class, as a co worker in the counseling office of TJC, as a mentor. It is an honor and positive experience to know him and listen to his many jokes. You are missed Mr. Barnes and my deepest sympathy to all you family members. Eugene Caldwell*

Eugene Caldwell - October 06, 2019 at 09:48 PM

CC

“ *Dr. Barnes was my teacher at TJC and I enjoyed his class in 1969. Even when I saw him years later, he remembered my name. He will be missed.*



Carleta Cates - October 05, 2019 at 10:20 PM

DC

“ *Dr. Barnes will be missed by many. His years of education both in the gospel as well as English have touched many. He always had a smile and encouraging words, I will miss him but will always remember his kind words to me. I worked with him at TJC for 17 years and saw him at GABC. He was not just a coworker but a friend as well. Blessings and prayers to the family.*

Dayna Cooper - October 05, 2019 at 09:42 PM

LD

“ *Photo of Alan at at Halloween party several years ago. Alan was outgoing and friendly to all people. He loved teaching, it was his passion. Rest In Peace my friend.*



Lois Dark - October 05, 2019 at 09:32 PM

ML

“ *Oh Alan, was such a kind & sweet man. He will be very much missed. The TJC gatherings will not be the same without his great smile. Prayers go out to the family at this time.*

Melanie Leath - October 05, 2019 at 02:14 PM

HC

“ *It's been many years since you were our Fraternity sponsor. Great memories of you. Rest In Peace Alan*

Harold Corey - October 05, 2019 at 09:22 AM

KL

“ Alan,
you were a very good friend. we played many games of racquetball
& golf. We traveled to Hot Springs and enjoyed our time there.
You will be missed, my excellent friend!

Ken Luke

ken luke - October 04, 2019 at 02:06 PM

DC

“ Dink & Chelsea purchased the Divine Peace Bou
quet for the family of Lethan Alan Barnes.



Dink & Chelsea - October 04, 2019 at 10:39 AM

CS

“ Alan, you were a dedicated teacher, Christian and conservative.
But, whether we were playing racquetball or talking politics or
religion, you were, most of all, my dedicated friend.
Chris

Chris Smith - October 03, 2019 at 07:14 PM

CK

“ Chris and Kelly purchased the Fairest of All for
the family of Lethan Alan Barnes.



Chris and Kelly - October 03, 2019 at 07:10 PM