



Barry Mark Blackwell

August 24, 2018

BLACKWELL, Barry Mark, 61, of Hermitage, TN, passed away August 24, 2018. He was a member of the Music City Legends Drum & Bugle Corp, help develop intellectual patents and loved to travel the world. He was preceded in death by his mother, Alice Blackwell and brother, Michael Patrick Blackwell. He is survived by his father, James E. Blackwell; brothers, Kevin, Chris (Amy) and Dennis (Elaine) Blackwell; sister, Emily (Mike) Motsay; 10 nieces & nephews. A memorial service will be held 11:00 am Saturday, September 8, 2018 at Pennington United Methodist Church, 2745 Pennington Bend Rd, Nashville, TN 37214. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Pennington United Methodist Church.

Tribute Wall



“ *Barry Mark Blackwell*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



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April - September 25, 2018 at 03:03 AM



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“ *To the family may God's promises found at Acts 24:15 and Psalms 37:29 bring you comfort at this difficult time*

Bel - September 24, 2018 at 01:20 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. May God comfort you at this difficult time. Psalms 34:18*

S.O. - September 11, 2018 at 02:16 PM

RS

“ My good friend from early on in our lives. I grieve at the loss of such a big-hearted, loving friend. Rest in God's peace, Barry.

Robert (Bobby) Sewell - September 08, 2018 at 12:57 AM

DS

“ Barry was our guide in China for five days in 2006 along with Xu Tao as the driver, we were treated to beautiful sights and excellent resturants that we would have passed up for their outward appearance. He always brought us gifts each time he visited, sometime small and other time it would be something special. He was always willing to give us computer advise or which car to buy. He was a "Man for all Seasons", the perfect gentleman, what a wonderful nephew. We Loved him and always will. Dean And Walter

Dean and Walter Seifert - September 07, 2018 at 10:23 PM

DC

“ Praise be to our Lord above. Like everyone else I am sad at the passing of a dear friend but heaven rejoices as Barry goes to see our Lord, our Creator of All Things.

Dan Carnahan - September 07, 2018 at 03:25 PM

TS

“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. My heart goes out to the family. Death is something we will never get use to. In fact, God's Word refers to death as an enemy. (1 Corinthians 15:26) It is comforting to know that very soon our loving Heavenly Father, Jehovah, will remove death once and for all and give us the opportunity to see our loved ones again here on the earth. (John 5:28,29) Please visit our website at JW.ORG on how to cope with this "enemy" death.

T. Smith - September 06, 2018 at 10:38 AM

SM

“ We are saddened to learn of the passing of Barry. He fought the good fight longer than most. We wish his family the peace and comfort of knowing that he is in a better place with no more suffering. Rest in peace, Barry

Sharon & Joe Motsay - September 02, 2018 at 12:23 AM

TC

“ My husband and I met Barry in Tijuana, Mexico. Barry went to the Hoxsey Clinic for cancer treatment, and I was there for my father. We met Barry on the bus ride into Mexico and instantly liked him. By the time the day was done, we felt like old friends. Once we all returned home, we kept in touch via phone calls and emails. It is rare to meet someone and feel such an instant bond with them; yet, Barry had such a warmth about him that you could not help but be drawn in by him. He had a zest for life. Without a doubt, Barry approached his cancer with courage and tenacity. He was only in our lives for seven months, yet he left his mark on our hearts.

Our sincerest condolences to his family. Had we not had a prior engagement, we would have loved to attend his memorial service.

*- Shelley
Tampa, Florida*

Tom and Shelley Chancy - September 01, 2018 at 11:29 PM

XT

“ I received the following thoughts from the driver assigned to Barry when he was in China. His name is Xu Tao.

"My heart is filled with grief. I am sorry for the loss of a good colleague and friend. Barry is a good man. He is a kind man. He is a man who loves life. He left us like this. It makes me feel miserable. If you can, please help me to convey my condolences to his family, and I am as sad as they are, as I have lost my loved ones."

Xu Tao wrote this with the help of translation software so it's not perfect, but perfectly conveys Xu Tao's thoughts. He and Barry were very close.

Xu Tao - September 01, 2018 at 03:41 PM

GR

“ You were a great guy. You will be missed. Rest In Peace

Gail Royster - September 01, 2018 at 04:43 AM

GO

“ Barry was a good friend to me in high school. He had such a sweet personality and a huge heart. He always wanted to make sure my boyfriend's were treating me properly. I'll always remember his smile and laughter. He'll be missed.

Gail Alexander Oakes - August 31, 2018 at 09:50 PM

BN

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I too have recently lost my loved one in death. This loss can be so overwhelming. Fortunately, I found comfort in God's promise that one day I would see my dear loved one again. (John 5:28,29) May God give you the peace & comfort you need at this difficult time. (Philippians 4:6,7)

Brenda N. - August 31, 2018 at 08:57 PM

SP

“ I worked for Barry and consider him a true friend and teacher. He will be greatly missed. He had such a great attitude and love for his HCA family. He was a fighter and a fought a hard battle to win the war on Cancer. Condolences to his loved ones for you are surely suffering a great loss!

Starr Pearl - August 31, 2018 at 06:39 PM

AS

“ Lieutenant Blackwell, My sincere condolences to you and your family may God's comforting arms wrap around you and give you peace as you grieve the loss of your loved one.

Anita Stewart - August 31, 2018 at 03:50 PM

RP

“ I only have the fondest of memories of the times that Ann and I spent with Barry in China and later in a visit to Knoxville. He was the major reason for the successful installation of business software for KC China. I know from his weekly letters to his friends back home that he had so may new experiences in his short time in Asia all shared with a humorous way with words. I am so deeply saddened to hear this news. He was a good friend that will be missed by all that knew him. Rest in peace friend.

Roger & Ann Palmer - August 30, 2018 at 04:51 PM

DG

“ We spent several years in China with Barry on one of his numerous assignments. We are very saddened by Barry's passing at such a young age. We have great souvenirs and memories of Barry.

Praying for his family and dear friends. Rest in peace Barry.

Denis and France Grimard - August 30, 2018 at 01:00 PM

NC

“ *Very sorry and saddened to hear this news. Barry was very kind to me and my family during our short time affiliated with Music City Legends. Praying for the family.*

Neal Clark - August 30, 2018 at 12:53 PM

LJ

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Barry. I saw him at McNamaras about a year ago. He was the same kind, smiling, and friendly guy that I remembered from HS. I'm praying for comfort and peace for all the family.*

Luanne Bryan Jones - August 30, 2018 at 05:25 AM

SC

“ *I am so very sad to hear about Barry's passing. We were very close years ago during our skating days. He was more than a friend. He was like an older brother to me. I moved to MA. many years ago and we didn't get to talk as much. Many of my favorite memories when I was younger included Barry. He was so very kind and always had a smile on his face. My wife and I got a chance to see him last summer on vacation and introduce him to our children. I am grateful for that. He will be missed terribly. Rest easy my dear friend.*

Scott Chadwick - August 30, 2018 at 02:01 AM

DA

“ *So sorry to hear about Barry. We were friends in college and when he lived in Knoxville. My condolences to his family.*

Debbie Adams - August 30, 2018 at 12:15 AM

AM

“ I am shocked to hear about his demise. I have very good memories with him. Very kind, helpful and a fun person.
Barry, You will be dearly missed.
I will always cherish our trip to the Smokey's.

Amit - August 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ I have fond memories of Barry when he competed in roller skating and we became close friends. My condolences to his family.

Gayle Willard, Knoxville - August 29, 2018 at 11:54 PM

SB

“ Barry was a good friend back in our band days. He was always so kind and funny. Betsy, Barry and I would ride around and just laugh and laugh. He always could cheer me up.
My prayers are with his family and friends. A bright light has left this world and he will be missed~ Susan Boyd Beasley

Susan Beasley - August 29, 2018 at 11:08 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. We were friends from the first time we met over 28 yrs ago in Knoxville, working together. He cooked for me we laughed together, and always listened to a new CD he would make. I couldnt wait to hear all the details when he came home from traveling. So many memories and treasures he would bring back home. He was my best friend and I will never ever forget him.

Sheila - August 29, 2018 at 10:42 PM

EM

“ Barry it was a pleasure to know you and to march with you at Music City Legend. You laid a foundation for everyone to follow. Godspeed.

ed mason - August 29, 2018 at 10:38 PM

JJ

“ So so sorry for the loss of your Brother! He fought hard. Love and prayers to your family!
Love to all, Jill Johnson-Swalwell

Jill Johnson-Swalwell - August 29, 2018 at 10:17 PM

LS

“ I am so sorry for your loss family. I knew this precious man through roller skating in Knoxville. He was a good friend during those wonderful times in the 80's. I was fortunate to reconnect with him last year with my other skating friends. He was such a sweet person always taking time to listen when you needed someone. He was truly special!

Leslie Sheffield - August 29, 2018 at 10:00 PM

JU

“ My condolences to friends and family. Barry and his Knoxville crew got me thru grad school, a lot of heart ache, blind dates and worlds of fun. We most recently shared cyber laughs over photos of late night skating antics. Watching the 1998 US Figure Skating Championships live with him was such a great memory that I will always cherish. I'll enjoy my Christmas music from Barry, too. Rest in Peace.

June - August 29, 2018 at 09:20 PM

SJ

“ So sorry to hear about Barry. We met at college and have kept in touch the last few years. A great gentleman with a big heart.

Steven Jenks - August 29, 2018 at 08:45 PM

CT

“ I am so sorry to hear this. I remember all the fun times at Skatetown and Tennessee valley.

Chris Treadway - August 29, 2018 at 08:41 PM

JO

“ I am so sorry to hear of Barry's passing. I knew Barry growing up when we were involved with roller skating. He was a truly beautiful soul.

Joy - August 29, 2018 at 06:37 PM

ST

“ Keep singing Christmas Carols Barry on the other side. I'll cherish my CD forever. Such a lovely and generous soul. Will remember you forever xx

Sharyn Taylor - August 29, 2018 at 11:26 AM

SR

“ The Wagner family loved Barry. He was so supportive to my brothers and I when my mother was sick. The world was a better place with him in it. ❤️. However, I know he is pain free and talking up a storm to all those who went before him. ❤️

Susan Wagner Rider - August 29, 2018 at 02:39 AM

SD

“ To all the Blackwell Family,

I am so sorry to hear about Barry. My heart aches for each of U. I will always cherish the great times we had growing up on Lishwood Drive.

Sending huge hugs and loads of love.

Sharon Crawley Guest (Ms. Dove) - August 29, 2018 at 01:17 AM

KH

“ Dear Emily and family, my deepest prayers are with you! There are no words for your sorrow just know I am praying for you ,love
Kathleen

Kathleen Holian - August 29, 2018 at 12:08 AM

NC

“ very sorry for your loss

nancy cohen - August 28, 2018 at 10:04 PM

JT

“ I knew Barry during his years at Kimberly-Clark in Knoxville. He was incredibly smart, dedicated and efficient in his role but more importantly he was a very thoughtful, kind and giving person. He went the extra mile to keep our spirits up during stressful periods – he once carried in an electric hot plate and all the ingredients to prepare our hot breakfast during our meeting! (Which was fantastic, by the way.) Before the Holiday season I know many folks couldn't wait to get his annual Christmas music mix CD. Barry was one of the good guys and will be deeply missed. God Bless him, may he rest in peace.

Judy Turner - August 28, 2018 at 04:07 PM

SP

“ I only got to work with Barry for a short time but he made a lasting impression. He was always so nice and eager to help anyone who needed anything. He took time out to help me learn something new and was so gracious and supportive. He was a great example of leadership and mentor-ship, I will miss him, he was always so kind and welcoming. I am so very sorry for his family's loss, he was a good man.

Summer Perkey - August 28, 2018 at 02:01 PM

BR

“ God has definitely received an angel this week. My heart is breaking over the loss of my long time dear friend. However, knowing he was at peace and ready when our Lord called gives me great comfort in knowing he is suffering no more. Never a more brave or humble man. It was my priveledge to know him and to share some of the best memories of my life with him. Rest in peace dear friend and know you will be dearly missed. All my love and prayers to the sweet Blackwell family.

Betsy Brent Robinson - August 28, 2018 at 01:59 PM

JM

“ I am terribly sorry for your loss. May you take comfort in knowing that every single tear that falls from our eyes, does not escape our loving Heavenly Father's notice. He is aware of our pain and promises to end all suffering. (Revelation 21:3,4)
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JP

“ Bazaa was the most perfect Gentleman I have met in my life. My heart is filled with sadness this man has made his wings. My sincere condolences to his Father and his siblings, nieces and nephews...I know full well how sad you are. I love you Barry and so blessed God gave you to me for a small time in my life.

Janey Pembleton - August 28, 2018 at 12:59 AM