



Barry Edward Larkin

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Barry Edward Larkin, age 72, of Lewes, DE, died on January 3, 2026, after a courageous battle with leukemia.

Barry was born on October 31, 1953, in Baltimore, MD, the son of the late William E. Larkin, Jr. and Evelyn K. Larkin. He graduated from Baltimore Polytechnic Institute in 1971. He earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering at the University of Maryland and held his Professional Engineer License.

He built a successful career in the corrugating machinery industry where he was respected for his knowledge, integrity, and dedication to satisfying the customer. One of his favorite sayings was: "Everything comes in a box!"

On May 8, 1982, Barry married the girl-next-door and love of his life, Maureen Virginia Maloney, in Baltimore, Maryland. They were married for over four decades. They shared several passions including traveling, SCUBA diving, motorcycling, skydiving, piloting small planes, and simply being together.

Barry and Maureen raised their daughters, Grace and Gail, in the family-friendly Timonium, MD community of Springlake/Coachford. Barry was known as the "Cool Dad" to the kids in the neighborhood because he was so much fun and as "Mr. Wonderful" to his neighbors because he was always ready to lend a hand.

Barry had a lifelong enthusiasm for planes, trains, and automobiles. He enjoyed NASCAR and was the proud owner of a 2010 Chevy Volt electric car (#63 off the production line). He logged over 2,000 sport parachute jumps and was also a Certified Flight Instructor (CFI).

He was a proud member of the Center for Civil War Photography and enjoyed exploring Civil War battlefields with fellow enthusiasts as they searched for the locations of photographs that



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were taken during the Civil War. He also loved Irish history and generously shared his knowledge and time at the Irish American Museum in Baltimore.

Of all of his activities, he most enjoyed his retirement job as the senior train conductor on the Northern Central Railway in New Freedom, PA. He loved sharing his knowledge and enthusiasm for trains and history with the passengers as they “rode the rails.”

Barry is survived by his devoted wife, Maureen M. Larkin; his beloved daughters, Grace Evelyn Boenning (Matthew J. Boenning) and Gail Larkin Crowther (William A. Crowther IV) and his brother, David E. Larkin. He is also survived by his sisters-in-law, Sharon Larkin, Eileen M. Pumphrey (Robert Pumphrey), and Yvonne Maloney; and his nieces and nephews, Jennifer Larkin, Katherine Rosa (Kyle), Christopher Larkin (Amanda), Joseph Koullas (Sandy), James Miller, and Michael Larkin (Kirsten).

In addition to his parents, Barry was predeceased by his brother, William E. “Bud” Larkin III, and his brother-in-law, Kevin F. Maloney.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Baltimore later this year.

The family asks that donations be made in Barry’s memory to

[Blood Cancer United](#)

And, if you are able, DONATE BLOOD!

Please sign the tribute wall at this site.



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Wendy Crumley lit a candle in honor of Barry.

April 7 at 10:17 AM



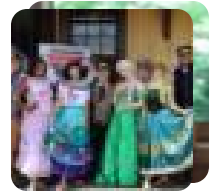
Wendy Crumley lit a candle in honor of Barry.

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Maureen Larkin shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

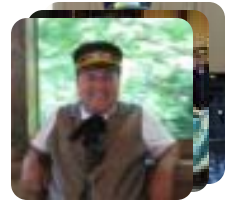
January 20 at 1:20 PM



Maureen Larkin shared 3 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

He loved conducting on the Northern Central Railway.

January 19 at 1:13 PM



Maureen Larkin posted:

He loved conducting!

January 20 at 1:05 PM



Krystyna Mcilroy sent a virtual gift in honor of Barry.

Krystyna Mcilroy, I loved volunteering with Barry. His Smile always made me smile. I have Received many unexpected Gifts during Holidays or Just Because!!! He always had the Visitors in mind. Barry Will Be Missed By All at NCR.

January 19 at 10:39 PM





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Bill Hatrick shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Barry was always a teacher ... anything he had in his head ... he was willing and able to share ... to transfer that knowledge to your head. I will miss this dear man, my time knowing him was too short.

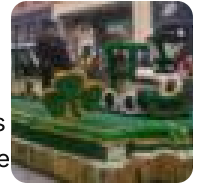


January 19 at 10:31 PM



Luke Mccusker shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I first met Barry when he was still a working man. He visited the Irish American Museum several times, and I just about begged him to join our team as a docent. I was so happy when he did! Barry served others at the Museum at several levels. He cut the grass for many years, whitewashed the fence, and was thankfully a tech person, while I was not. He kept things flowing in that department. Barry also did major projects at the Museum. He helped us place a historically accurate stove when we finally added a kitchen to the Feeley family home in 2019, and helped us perform several events that year, as we relied on his connections to present a kitchen and historical photo event. He was a major part of the team that transformed a room into a Remembrance Room where the famine ships that arrived in Baltimore were remembered. His connections with historical organizations were vital to the development, creation and placement of a new mural in the garden of the Museum. Barry was our go-to guy when we needed a coordinator for a historical grant project to restore the facade of 910 Lemmon Street, which the Museum had purchased to move forward on its expansion. All of these things were real work, and dozens of additional projects could be added to the list. He performed each with warmth and joy, and delighted us constantly. He did much of this under the inspiration of his ancestors who lived just a few blocks away, on modern day Carlton Street. They worshipped at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, and the Larkins can be seen in many sacramental records there. We admired Barry in so many ways, and wish Maureen and family many years of fond remembrances.



January 19 at 1:13 PM



Mark Fosler posted:

I have been a close friend of his brother, David Larkin since 1969 when we both attended Poly. Barry was slightly older but was always nice and had a big smile when we crossed paths in the hallways or at his parent's home. Please accept my most sincere condolences and prayers. Mark Fosler

January 19 at 4:25 PM



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Rowland posted:

I knew Barry through his little brother Dave and knew that Barry was a special man and brother by the way Dave spoke of him. We had the chance to meet and talk on special occasions and he amazed me with his humor and detail stories of the Civil War. Rest in peace Barry.

January 19 at 4:21 PM



Chris Wehner posted:

I never saw Barry in a bad mood. His enthusiasm was contagious and he always had a smile on his face. He was a model for being a man, a husband, a father, and a friend. My deepest sympathies are with his family and others who knew him.

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Luke Mccusker shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Memories only last if you share them

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