



John W. Barber

June 3, 1926 - August 16, 2005

Anderson - John W. Barber Jr., 79, Anderson, died August 16, 2005 at St. Johns Health System, Anderson Indiana after a sudden illness. He was born June 3, 1926 in Anderson, Indiana, and was a lifelong Anderson resident. He was the owner and Chairman of the Board of Barber Manufacturing Company, Inc. He was a 1944 graduate of Anderson High School and a 1949 graduate of Duke University. He was a member of Anderson Rotary and Sigma Chi Fraternity. He served on many boards, including St. John's Health System, Anderson Banking Company, Merchants National Bank, National City Bank, Wilson's Boys & Girls Club and Anderson Country Club. He coached many sports teams over the years. He is survived by his wife whom he married October 25, 1952: Ann Bireley Barber. Four Children: Jeffrey W. & wife Susan Barber of Anderson. James R. & wife Claire Barber of Anderson. Thomas D. Barber of Anderson. Elizabeth Barber Lackey & husband Blake Lackey of Fishers. Sister: Martha B. Lowrance of Charlottesville, Virginia. Niece: Laura Lowrance. Seven Grandchildren: Andrew Barber, Jack Barber, Molly Barber, Jay Barber, Olivia Lackey, Meredith Lackey and Laura Lackey. He was preceded in death by his parents: John W. Barber Sr. & Martha Diven Barber. Services will be Friday, August 19, 2005 at 11:30 AM, at Robert D. Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, South Chapel; 200 W. 53rd Street; Anderson, with Rev. Rick Kimmer officiating. Entombment will be in Memorial Park Cemetery, Anderson. Visitation will be from 4-7:00 PM on Thursday, August 18, 2005 at funeral home, south chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, Wilson's Boys & Girls Club or the MS Association. www.LooseFuneralHomes.com

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“ To the Barber Family: I am so sorry to hear about John's death. My brother Mike called me from Florida to tell me. We both played Little League Baseball for John on the Lynch Corp. team at Madison Ave. John coached us to two tournament titles. What an inspiration he was to me as both a coach and a man. I was so fortunate to have known John for several years and to have been coached by him in baseball and in life. Coincidentally, last summer I was in Anderson and I made a special point to stop by and see John & Ann. I went to the house they used to live in 30 years ago but found out they had moved. I'm so sorry I didn't try harder to located them. I've learned a valuable lesson. Ann, please know I was thinking about you and John and the point of coming by was to thank you both, but especially John, for what he meant to me and how he influenced my life. John was the epitome of character and grace. I'm glad I kept my Little League pictures of which John is in a few and I will cherish those even more. Lastly, I would like to share my favorite verses in the Bible - John 14:1-4: "Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." God bless you all, Jim Willis 267 970-9449

Jim Willis - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM