



Edward Barbour

August 21, 2025

Edward Louis Barbour, was born on August 2, 1937 in Brooklyn, New York. The third of six children born of the late Hattie Edwards Barbour and James Riley Barbour, Sr. He was educated at Boys High School Brooklyn. He drafted into the Army at 18 years young and did his tour of duty in Alaska. After leaving the military he began work in the trucking industry.

Edward soon met and married Emma Church Barbour, together 44 years, until her passing. They had two children; Betty Yvonne and Andrew Marcellus. He soon was called to the NYC Police Academy, but instead accepted the opportunity to join the “family business” working at NYC

Transit Authority instead. He went from entry level Porter, to Conductor, then promoted to Motorman where he worked for 23 years. He was retired for 37 years. He proved it doesn't matter your start. He lead by example teaching how to thrive, not just survive.

After Emma's transition, he moved from Virginia to Florence, South Carolina to be closer to his family.

A Grief Support Counseling Group in 2006, brought Helen Dickey Bowman into his life. She had also lost her husband in 2004. Helen had been married to the late Moses Bowman for 45 years and of that union three children were born; Sharon, Darrin and Kevin.

With new dreams, new hopes, and a desire to achieve new horizons, God blessed Edward and Helen to love again and they were united in Holy Matrimony on May 3, 2008. Together they cherished parenting their blended

families; Sharon unfortunately passed away a few months before the nuptials. Edward and Helen enjoyed many years of traveling, going out to dinner, spending time with family, and serving God together.

Edward was an active member of Chaney Grove Missionary Baptist Church. He was ordained as a Deacon and served faithfully on the Deacon and Usher Board for many years, until his health began to falter. Still he continued to do whatever he could to support the church and his other involvements.

Deacon Barbour slipped into eternity on August 21, 2025 and while he will be sorely missed, we surrender this beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother-in-law, and friend into the hands of the loving and sovereign God who gave him to us for such a short time.

Deacon Edward Barbour leaves cherished memories for his wife, Helen D. Bowman Barbour, his daughter, Yvonne Barbour, sons, Darrin Bowman and Kevin Bowman (Jeanette) ; a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren; 6 sisters-in-law: Martha Barbour, Sandra Barbour, Loucinda Southerland (Charles), Gertie Sanders (Terrance), Hattie Thomas, Valerie Scott (James); one brother-in-law: Willie Dickey (Patrice) and other relatives and friends. He is predeceased by his son, Andrew Barbour, his grandson Eric Barbour, his brothers: Harold and Joseph Barbour, his sisters: Dolores Wright and Evelyn Dorsey Brunson.

Cemetery Details

Chaney Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

Timmonsville, SC

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chaney Grove Baptist Church
649 Chaney Grove Road
Timmonsville, SC 29161

Tribute Wall

CC

“ *Remembering
The courage of one’s Heart the strength of
one spirit. The integrity of one soul. The depth
of such Love. Expressed by one very special
Life your Dad will never be forgotten. Please
know we’re here for you.*



Caroline & Bill Cook - August 30, 2025 at 12:51 AM

AT

“ *To Deaconess Barbour & family,*

*We continue to lift you and the family to The Lord in prayer at this
time.*

*I am reminded of the gentle greetings from week to week, the posed
mannerism, and the overall commitment which was displayed in the
strength exerted to be in the number one more time. These
instances of Deacon Barbour have left an indelible mark in my
memory of him.*

May God bless you and the family,

*Minister Alexander D. Toms
Kathye D. Mathis-Toms*

Alexander D. Toms - August 29, 2025 at 08:09 PM

AD

“ Dear Yvonne and family,
This is a time for celebration, praise, and thanksgiving as we honor Dad Edward and pay our respect. Thank you, God, for your Devine plan. Thank you, Yvonne, for calling me your sister. We are truly blessed! Thank you Dad Edward for your love, acceptance, and legacy. You will be missed but never forgotten. To God be the glory!



Alisa Davis-Blizzard - August 29, 2025 at 07:59 PM

GJ

“ To the Barbour Family. May the almighty grant you serenity in this time of bereavement. With Love Gerald Green & Family

GERALD GREEN JR - August 29, 2025 at 07:41 AM

TV

“ Tameek, Grace, Giovanni & Gian Valentine purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Edward Barbour.



Tameek, Grace, Giovanni & Gian Valentine - August 28, 2025 at 10:11 AM

TV

“ Tameek, Grace, Giovanni & Gian Valentine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Barbour.

Tameek, Grace, Giovanni & Gian Valentine - August 28, 2025 at 10:11 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward Barbour.*



August 28, 2025 at 09:30 AM



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“ *My deepest condolences to the Barbour family. I was lucky enough to live next door to Edward and Helen in South Carolina. They treated me like family. I fondly remember our hilarious trips to the Golden Coral and other buffets in Myrtle Beach. Mr. Edward and I would make deals over who would get the last slice of sweet potato pie made by Ms. Helen. Mr. Edward even grew to "tolerate" my dogs. LOL I'm very happy to have known him, and blessed for the friendship we maintained over the years. RIP Mr. Edward.*



Bobbie Martin - August 28, 2025 at 09:16 AM

BS

“ To my bff Yvonne, I offer up my condolences to you on the loss of your Dad, your hero, your friend. I offer my condolences to the entire family as well. Mr. Barbour was one of the patriots of the family, many looked up to him, as did I. I have had the pleasure of knowing you and family for over 50 years, so I am family as well, as feel the loss tremendously. RIP Dad...you were definitely one of the great father, friend and mentor who I got to know over the years.

Beverly Scott - August 27, 2025 at 03:19 PM

BS

“ Beverly Scott lit a candle in memory of Edward Barbour



Beverly Scott - August 27, 2025 at 03:18 PM

EW

“ Ernestine Wright lit a candle in memory of Edward Barbour



Ernestine Wright - August 26, 2025 at 07:59 PM

MM

“Helen, My heart goes out to you during this incredibly difficult time. Sending you strength and love. Deacon Barbour had a beautiful spirit and will definitely be missed and remembered by all whose lives he touched. May God’s grace, mercy and peace surround you as you navigate through this difficult season.
Maggie



Maggie Mack - August 23, 2025 at 09:05 AM

SE

My condolences to Helen and her family.

sandra Faye Eli - August 25, 2025 at 10:15 AM

PA

My Condolences to the family. I have the pleasure to know his beautiful daughter Yvonne and it sounds like Mr. Barbour was very much admired for his faith and perseverance. My prayer is that fond memories on Mr. Barbour will help to overcome the sadness one feel over a loss of a father. May the comfort of the Holy Spirit be with the family.

Pamela - August 28, 2025 at 08:39 AM

SH

*Yvonne and family. My deepest condolences to you all. May happy memories carry you through this sorrowful time. My prayers are with you. Remember your never alone, spiritually nor physically. Much love .
Sonia Hunter*

Sonia Hunter - August 30, 2025 at 08:46 AM