



James Philip Barayasarra

March 1, 1935 - May 24, 2022

Dr. James P. Barayasarra of Easton, MD was born on May 1, 1935 in Bengochea's Hotel of Mountain Home, Idaho. He passed away on May 24, 2022.

James graduated high school from Meridian, ID and then after a year in a Seminary, he transferred to the College of Idaho in Caldwell, ID where he received a BS (Biology) and a M. Ed. (Education). He also received a M. NS (Natural Science) from the University of Idaho at Moscow, ID and a PhD (Biology) from St. Bonaventure University, NY. He has over 30 hours credit in art, theater, and creative writing.

He taught high school in Idaho and Nevada for 13 years prior to earning his doctorate and two years at SUNY Ag and Tech in Alfred, New York. He also taught for 25 years at Chesapeake College in Maryland, where he retired as Professor Emeritus.

At the College of Idaho, he participated on the 1957 and 1959 Field Biology Expeditions throughout Mexico and southwestern United States. Two highlights from these trips were a hike across the Grand Canyon and the company of a lifelong friend, Dr. Robert Bratz.

At Chesapeake College, he was the founding advisor of UHURU, the Black

Student Union as well as the creator of the club logo. Not only was he proud of his Basque heritage, but also of the acceptance and confidence afforded him by minority students.

James wrote ten unpublished plays, one of which was produced on stage. His family history and personal memoirs won second place at the Basque Center Studies 2018 Literary contest at the University of Nevada, Reno. Zazpi Gurdi eta or "Seven Wagons and a Half."

He was a Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, active in Idaho before graduate school and regretted his inactivity ever since.

He was predeceased by his parents, Nemesio and Maria Carmen Victorina and his siblings Louis John, Mary Felipa, Michael David, Manual and sister-in-law, Cathy Barayasarra.

He is survived by his wife, Marian Janet Anchustegui of Shoshone, Idaho, whom he wed in 1961 and children: Abdellatif Louis (Mina) Chafik of Morocco, Christina Marie (Vincent, Sr.) Baire of Olean, NY, Lisa Marie (Alan) Whittaker of East Amherst, NY and Mary Ann (Douglas) Besser of Pittsburgh, PA; grandchildren, Jacob and Jillian Chafik, Justina and Vincent, Jr. Blaire, Quinn, Zachary, and Alyssa Whittaker and Christopher, Nicholas, Michael and Sarah Besser; great grandchildren, Anthony Matthew Baire; nephew, Micael Barayasarra, very special niece Victorina (Lou) Murgoitio and grand nephews, Lukas, Jacob and Mitchel Murgoitio.

For those wishing to make an offering, in addition to their prayers the following are suggested:

- (1) Autistic Care at Benedictine School - Ridgely, Maryland
- (2) UHURU at Chesapeake College - Wye Mills, Maryland
- (3) Basque Museum - Boise, Idaho

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Saints Peter & Paul Church
1214 South Washington St.
Easton, MD 21601

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jim Barayasarra was my biology teacher at Kuna High School in 1960. He had us outline the information we were learning. It not only helped me learn biology, but taught me a new method for learning new information. Thank you, Mr. Barayasarra.

Karen Carter Hiner - July 13, 2022 at 03:30 PM

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“ I was sad to hear about Jim's passing. I met Jim through our mutual friend Bill Wharton and shared many a laugh with them both over the years. I last saw Jim at Bill's wake, in fact. All the best to Jim's family and friends and may he have many wonderful and exciting adventures as he leaves this life for the next.

Tom Edwards - June 03, 2022 at 03:16 PM

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“ Laura and David Williams and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Philip Barayasarra.



Laura and David Williams and Family - June 02, 2022 at 09:00 PM

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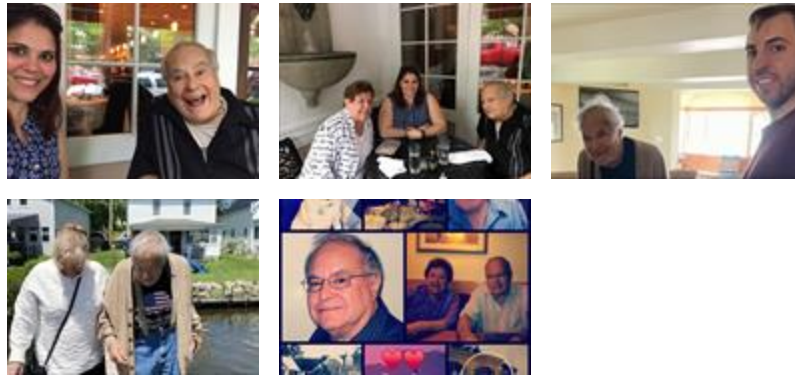
“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Philip Barayasarra.



June 02, 2022 at 11:10 AM

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Justina Baire - June 01, 2022 at 11:21 AM