



## Russell Gene Barker

December 25, 1950 - August 31, 2022

Russell Gene Barker, 71, of Fletcher, went to his Heavenly home on August 31, 2022, at the Elizabeth House in Flat Rock after a long illness.

Born December 25, 1950, to Ella Foy Smith and Charles Isaac Barker in Wake County, NC. Raised in Harnett County, NC, Gene graduated from Lafayette High School and then attended Campbell College. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science. He went on to work for the Federal Geological Survey as a Hydrologist until his retirement in 2006. Gene was a member of Biltmore Baptist Church for 33 years.

Gene is survived by his wife of 44 years, Kathy Adcock Barker; two sons, Russell Gene Barker II and his wife, Jordan West Barker of Arden, NC, and Charles Jameson Barker and his wife, Mallory Myers Barker of Celina, TX. Gene is also survived by his grandsons, Baron Sherbondy Barker and wife, Hannah DeMello Barker of Morrisville, NC, Garrison West Barker, and Bowie Robinson Barker, both of Arden, and Ridge Jameson Barker of Celina; brothers-in-law, O.T. Adcock and wife, Sandy and Randy Adcock and wife, Debbie, step-brother Ronnie Weathers and wife Mouzetta of Raleigh. as well as several nieces and nephews.

Gene was preceded in death by both parents; step-father, Alvin Preston Weathers, and brother, Charles Isaac Barker, Jr.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at 10:00 AM at the chapel of Highlands Cremation & Funeral Care, 2393 Hendersonville Road, Arden with the Celebration of Life following at 11:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Biltmore Church Disaster Relief Fund 35 Clayton Rd. Arden, NC 28704.

All arrangements are being handled by Highlands Cremation & Funeral Care, Arden.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Highlands Cremation and Funeral Care Chapel  
2393 Hendersonville Road  
Arden, NC 28704  
<http://www.highlandscare.com>

## Celebration of Life

SEP **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Highlands Cremation and Funeral Care Chapel  
2393 Hendersonville Road  
Arden, NC 28704  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Russell Gene Barker*

October 09, 2023 at 01:52 AM



“ *Russell Gene Barker*

October 08, 2023 at 10:49 PM



“ *Russell Gene Barker*

October 24, 2022 at 11:11 PM



“ *Grace Manufacturing, Inc. purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Russell Gene Barker.*



**Grace Manufacturing, Inc.** - September 09, 2022 at 12:38 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Russell Gene Barker.*



September 08, 2022 at 08:51 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Gene Barker.*



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September 08, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ *Ron and Mouzetta WEATHERS purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath for the family of Russell Gene Barker.*



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**Ron and Mouzetta WEATHERS** - September 08, 2022 at 11:35 AM



“ *Kathy, I worked with Gene at the USGS. I am sorry for your loss. We were office mates when we were located in the Old Century Postal Station in Raleigh. I enjoyed my time working with him and our adventures when we were in the field.*  
*Gary Garrett*

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**Gary Garrett** - September 06, 2022 at 03:01 PM



“ *Ann Woody lit a candle in memory of Russell Gene Barker*



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**Ann Woody** - September 05, 2022 at 09:03 PM

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“ I really going to school with Gene at LaFayette High School. After graduation we went out separate ways in life but I always remembered him and Kathy and him wonderful smile and always nice. My condolences to Kathy and all his family. 🙏

Donnie Jordan - September 05, 2022 at 07:29 PM

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“ Gene was such a soft spoken and gentle man. He was a wonderful role model for our grandson, Baron. He will be missed but loved forever by friends and family. "Grandma Sharon"

Sharon Sherbondy - September 05, 2022 at 11:35 AM



“ Gene was always so sweet to his aunt Erma an his mom to bring them to get their hair done they usually had a ice cream cone in the car we will never forget u gene see u in heaven!! ,3's company

Deborah Pressley - September 03, 2022 at 07:47 PM