



Obituary



PAT M. BARRETT, JR.

Pat M. Barrett, Jr., of Lexington, MS, died peacefully at home surrounded by family on June 26, 2021. Pat, Jr., was born on February 1, 1942, the oldest of four children of Pat Montgomery Barrett and Sara Stephens Barrett. Pat, Jr., lived his entire life in Lexington. He attended the public schools there, graduating from Lexington High School in 1960, where he was a four-year letterman on some of Coach Woodson Earle’s best football teams, quarterbacking his senior year. Pat, Jr., went to Millsaps College, where he was quarterback of the football team for all four years and was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity, and from there to the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he graduated in 1967.

After law school, Pat, Jr., returned to Lexington and began the practice of law with his father. He had a highly successful law practice for over fifty years. During that time, the firm grew with the addition of other attorneys, including his brother Don and his sister Sally, and eventually both

of his sons, Patrick and Jonathan, his daughter-in-law, Lisa, his nephews, Richard and Charles, and his niece, Katherine.

Pat, Jr., made friends easily, by being a friend, and his friends were friends for life. He was active in the life of the community, being a member of the First United Methodist Church in Lexington for over sixty years, and a member and past president of the Lexington Rotary Club for over fifty years receiving the Paul Harris Fellow Award. Pat, Jr., served as president of the board of Central Holmes Academy. He helped found the Friends of Lexington Odd Fellows Cemetery and served as founding treasurer to preserve its history and care.

Pat, Jr., loved to hunt, and served as president and benevolent dictator of the Random Shot Duck Club from its organization in 1975 until his death. A devoted Christian, Pat, Jr., endured a long and courageous battle with ALS showing grace, dignity, and even good humor, to the last.

Pat Jr. is survived by his wife, Janice Forney Barrett, and three children: Laura Barrett Taylor (Larry) of Houston, TX; Pat Montgomery Barrett, III (Lisa), of Nashville, TN; and Jonathan Peeples Barrett (Leigh) of Ridgeland, and stepson, Hans Wright Bohlmann, Jr.; by his brother John William (“Don”) Barrett (Nancy) of Lexington and his sister Mildred Worsham Barrett of Kiawah Island, SC; and by grandchildren: Dean Taylor



Happy Birthday

July 1 - Drew Parrish, Lyndsey Tutor, Dominique Bullocks, Leah Gilbert, Gibbs White, Colton Howell, Hollie Belle Boykin, Cleveland Whiteside, Jr., Miranda Killebrew

July 2 - Randy Langford, Angela Hammons, Allison Langford, Edna Newton, Ashley Box, Shane Sanford, Drennan Word, Dwayne Payton, Virgil White

July 3 - Alston Gilbert, Shannon Lewis, Maggie Carter, Brent Richardson, Kelsey Watts, Faye Engle, Terrance Greer

July 4 - Phil Cohen, Debbie Byrd, Jerry McCrory, Liz Mansoor, Jordan Taylor, Morgan Taylor, Bro. Steve

and Barrett Taylor of Houston, Bryce Barrett of Nashville, Nathan Barrett and Anderson Barrett of Ridgeland, and Quinn Bohlmann and Hayden Bohlmann of Austin, TX, along with numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his daughter Rachel Barrett, his sister Sally Barrett Williamson, and niece Sara Harvey Roberts.

Honorary pallbearers are Harold “Junie” Hammett, Jr., Ray “Rocky” Lewand, Hon. Edward W. Ellington, Don Quinton Mitchell, M.D., Hunter Cade, Jr., Otho Hilliard “Bootsy” Hooker, and James Emmitt “Bubba” Cunningham, III.

Visitation was held in the Fellowship Hall at the First United Methodist Church in Lexington, MS, on Tuesday, June 29, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. The service followed in the sanctuary at 3:00 p.m., and graveside service followed at Odd Fellows Cemetery immediately thereafter.

Charitable contributions can be made in his memory to Friends of Lexington Odd Fellows Cemetery <https://lexingtonoddfellowscemetery.com/friends> or to Central Holmes Christian School <http://Chestrojans.com> or to the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 157, Lexington, MS 39095.

Jordan, Kristen Stevens

July 5 - Vera Marshall, Emily Thomas Holland, Ryleigh Scott, Ben Hudson, Donnie Doshier, Markus Horton, Susie Lane Pritchard, Tim Greer, Dea Hammett Bowling, Tami Burt

July 6 - Kirsten Gatson, Koby Padgett, Jerry G. Johnson, Toryanna Miller, Emma Burns, Timmy Angell, Lamar Ferrell, Hallie Austin, Barbara May

July 7 - Jessica C. Hood, Raymond Smith, Joann Banks, Whitney Matthews, Bryan Ware, Cagnie



Happy Anniversary

July 1 - Chris and Christina Farmer

July 3 - Todd and Mitzi Wilson, William and Brenda Powell

July 4 - Jeff and Dana Holmes, Cleveland and

Johnson, Jessica E. Gilmer, Sally Cohen, Raquan Moore, Gail Hester, Patrick Boyd

Diane Whiteside

July 5 - Harold and Jackie Hammett, Edward and Causey Johnson

July 6 - Johnny and Cindy Lunsford, Christopher and Kimberly Forrest, Brenden and Elizabeth Brunner

July 7 - Danny and Ginny Hill

To add your birthdays and anniversaries to our list, please send your information by mail to P.O. Box 60, Lexington, MS 39095; fax 662-834-1074; email to hcherald@gmail.com; or stop by our office at 308 Court Square in Lexington. No phone calls, please.

Farmer's Market is open



Lexington resident Ruby Moore, standing left, peruses the day’s offerings from Mary Keys, standing right, of Tucker Produce Farms, on Friday, June 25. Moore picked a few pounds of cucumbers for that day’s purchase. The Lexington Farmers Market is now open every Friday at the old gas station on the square across the street from Bank-Plus from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Spring harvests from vendors last week included squash, cabbage, tomatoes, green beans, assorted peppers and cucumbers.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
DEADLINE: FRIDAY, 4:00 P.M.

ABLES REUNION
Descendants of Phil and Mamie Ables will have a family reunion on Sunday, July 18 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Coxburg Community Center.

All family and friends are invited to attend. This event is free and open to the public.

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OPEN AIR CHURCH SERVICES
Open air church services for the month of July are being held throughout Holmes County. Calling all Christian Evangelists. Luke 14:21-23.

Call 662-472-0563 for information, locations and set up.
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HOLMES COUNTY REUNION
The first annual Holmes County Reunion will be held on Saturday, July 3 at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Complex, 22521 Depot Street, Lexington from 12 noon until 11:00 p.m. There will be outdoor fun, food, games, entertainment, activities, performances and guest speakers.

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