



## Douglas John Barber

September 6, 1958 - June 1, 2021

Douglas John Barber of Edgewater Park, NJ passed away on June. He was 62.

Doug grew up around the corner in Edgewater Park where he walked to the school bus with his beloved childhood dog, Chippie. One of his happiest childhood memories was being a celebrated pitcher in little league baseball. Doug and his parents, George and Rita Barber, moved to a beautiful historic farmhouse during his college years; they spent years restoring it to a beautiful landmark. Doug is survived by his mother, Rita Trava Barber, who deeply loves and misses her only child. George was a loving father who supported and cherished his son.

Doug graduated as a top student of architecture from Temple University. He lived in center city Philadelphia and enjoyed city life for several years after college. In 1985, he married Jennifer Bowden and moved back to his childhood neighborhood in Edgewater Park where they lived for 12 years as husband and wife. Doug began his successful architecture practice around 1992 and everyone who worked with him knew he was incredibly talented.

Although Doug lived in Burlington Township, Long Beach Island was always home in his heart. He spent every summer of his life enjoying life at the family home in Harvey Cedars. He loved boating and fishing. He spent lots of time restoring a classic Bertram Yacht during many of his summers. The family loved to take boat trips around Barnegat Bay and to Atlantic City.

Doug practiced commercial and residential architecture in NJ and he was passionate about good design. He had many clients on Long Beach Island who appreciated his strong and classic sense of aesthetics. He was a member of the Harvey Cedars Firehouse and enjoyed the comradery of other people who loved Long Beach Island.

He will be forever in our hearts.

Doug is survived by his mother, Rita Barber; he was predeceased by his father, George.

He is also survived by many cousins and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday at 3pm at the Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mount Holly. Friends may visit with the family on Tuesday from 2-3 pm at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Doug's memory may be made to St. Jude's Hospital for Children. <http://www.stjude.org>

Doug's tribute video is available here:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/HK5G5G2NS45C5NNC>

# Events

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**JUN** **Visitation** 02:00PM - 03:00PM

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Perinchief Chapels

438 High St., Mount Holly, NJ, US, 08060

**JUN** **Memorial Service** 03:00PM

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Perinchief Chapels

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# Comments

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“ I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Doug Barber. I was his architectural drafting teacher at Burlington City High School. He had a passion for architecture as a student. We have been in touch recently through face book so I am deeply saddened to hear of Doug's passing. May he rest in peace.

Jim Geltch

**Roberta Geltch** - June 17 at 01:18 PM

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“ We'll miss Doug. Doug and my husband, Jeff, were College friends and Doug was a groomsman at our wedding. Rest In Peace talented Architect!



**Nadia Rosati** - June 15 at 08:40 AM

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**Colin Strasser** - June 14 at 09:21 AM

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“ Doug was a creator. He focused on the things he made more than the things he had. His work is all around us, from homes at the shore to banks in our towns. Years ago, Doug took a sprig from my grandfather's fig tree before it was cut down, and he nurtured it into a beautiful, bountiful bush. He loved to share its figs with us. I'll miss him.

**Colin Strasser** - June 13 at 01:25 PM



“ Doug was a great kid. Babysitting for him was an adventure. Always curious, he honed this curiosity into creativity. His art work is exceptional as well as his architectural work. Will miss you Doug Barber. Rest in peace.

**Jean Lucci** - June 13 at 05:44 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas John Barber.



June 13 at 10:58 AM