



Barry D. Jolin

March 14, 1953 - December 27, 2019

Barry David Jolin, age 66, of Minocqua, passed away on Friday December 27, 2019 at Aspirus Wausau Hospital after suffering a stroke four days earlier. His loving daughters and sons-in-law were at his side.

Barry was born March 14, 1953 in Tomahawk, Wisconsin to Wallace and Lorraine Jolin. He grew up in Boulder Junction, Wisconsin, a town he loved and worked hard in for many years. From an early age, he worked for his dad at Jolin's Standard Station right across the street from his home. He graduated from Lakeland Union High School in 1971. He later went on to buy the local marina which became Jolin's Marine Center for over 30 years. Barry's second career came after the sale of the Marine, and he enjoyed working as Realtor at Coldwell Banker in Minocqua over the last 15 years. He truly enjoyed selling boats and real estate and considered so many of his customers and clients as lifelong friends.

He started a family in the late 1970s and helped raise his two daughters in the Northwoods. He loved traveling with them and spending time on the water together. Barry also enjoyed golf, cards, and sports, especially his beloved Green Bay Packers. He spent many, many years coaching the Pack from either his seat at Lambeau or his recliner! In recent years he became a grandfather and enjoyed every second he could with his two grandchildren—everywhere from at home to school events to Lambeau Field to Disney World.

Above all, Grandpa told the BEST stories. His stories, big heart and smile will never be forgotten.

Barry is survived by his daughters Courtney (Nick Durkee) Jolin and Stephanie (Billy Ross) Jolin, brother Rick (Kathy) Jolin, nephew Brad (Karla) Jolin, "third" daughter Megan Colianni, grandchildren North and Fischer Durkee, as well as many dear friends and extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents Wallace and Lorraine Jolin, and infant daughter Brooke Jolin.

Visitation will be held at noon on Friday January 31, 2020 at Ascension Lutheran Church in Minocqua. A memorial service will immediately follow at 2 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Donate Life Wisconsin or AVW Elementary School.

The family extends a special thank you to Dr. Craig Kelman and the nursing staff of the Asprius Medical-Surgical ICU as well as the Palliative Care Unit. We are deeply and forever grateful for your compassion, professionalism, and kindness.

Please consider joining the Organ Donor Registry in Barry's memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Ascension Lutheran Church
7937 Hwy 51 S
Minocqua, WI

Memorial Service

JAN 31. 2:00 PM (CT)

Ascension Lutheran Church
7937 Hwy 51 S
Minocqua, WI

Tribute Wall

DE

“ So many great memories of Barry. I remember the first time I sat down across from him at the poker table at the LDF casino. It was a Thursday night game, and for some odd reason I had a horseshoe up my butt that night. He busted me more times than I busted him, but I'll never forget him looking across the table and saying "kid, you got my number tonight. I fold." He was such a great man. His stories of the grandkids and how he remembered reading them bedtime stories in the rooms downstairs on Frontier were priceless. Definitely gone too soon, but never forgotten. Love you Barry!

Douglas Etten - January 30, 2020 at 04:08 PM

CL

“ Barry was the most considerate person I knew. He always gave his time and money to help others. He was a great friend and mentor. I will cherish the times we sat together and talked about sports, family, and business. We were so fortunate to have him in our corner the time we did. I'm going to miss him so much.

Corbin

Corbin S Lasier - January 30, 2020 at 03:23 PM

JS

“ We purchased our first northwoods home with Barry as our guide. We have many fond memories of our year long search with him. We have brought up his name many times over the past year with gratitude. We are so saddened to hear of his passing. Our deepest condolences to his family and to all those whose lives he touched.
John and Julie Spanton

John and Julie Spanton - January 21, 2020 at 08:06 AM



Thank you for sharing this memory. He is missed.

Courtney Jolin - January 30, 2020 at 11:32 AM

LE

“ *I was incredibly saddened to hear of Barry's passing. He was a great person and a class act as a fellow Realtor. My deepest condolences and prayers to Barry's loved ones.*

Lisa Eggman

Lisa Eggman - January 19, 2020 at 11:09 AM



Thank you so much Lisa.

Courtney Jolin - January 30, 2020 at 11:32 AM

JK

“ *Sorry to here of Barry's passing. He was always very positive and was the consummate salesman. When I first moved "up north" I went to Jolin's Marine and Barry sold me 3 boats.. that's right 3 boats! (I told you he was a good salesman).*

Later Barry and I worked together on Rick Henderson's team at Coldwell Banker Mulleady and he easily outsold me there (although I probably did more fishing vs. selling).

My condolences to his family. I remember Barry always talking about "his girls" and how proud of them he was.

(Hey Barry...St. Peter could probably use a nice place on a lake and a pontoon boat!)

Jim Klaric - January 18, 2020 at 04:20 PM



Thanks Jim for sharing these memories!

Courtney Jolin - January 30, 2020 at 11:34 AM

GG

“ One of the brightest bulbs on the tree of life that I had the good fortune to know. Golf, cards and laughs defined our time together. Barry was not just gifted with a quick calculating intelligence he had a fearless mastery of chance and risk. Although he lived in the present he'll always be remembered in the future by me for the great times we shared together. Gary Gongola

gary gongola - January 18, 2020 at 01:25 PM



So many memories. Thanks Gary.

Courtney Jolin - January 30, 2020 at 11:35 AM

CC

“ Barry and I were the same age, growing up in the small town of Boulder Jct. Lots of great childhood memories. My heart goes out to Courtney and Stephanie and their families. He will be missed by so many. God Bless.

Connie Christopherson

Connie Christopherson - January 18, 2020 at 09:04 AM



Thank you so much Connie!

Courtney Jolin - January 30, 2020 at 11:35 AM

LU

“ Wow, so many memories. He was wonderful to me and I've always loved him for that. Much sadness for everyone but rejoice in the life he had and the people he impacted. He has a special place in my heart.



Luanne - January 17, 2020 at 12:21 PM

SG

“ Sorry to hear of Barry's passing. Enjoyed spending time with him when he was young, so smart for his age. Glad he was able to spend his years in Boulder. You can move from Boulder but it will always be home for many of us. My regards Rick.

Sally Strock Goll

Sally Goll - January 17, 2020 at 09:14 AM

CF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Peace be with you at this time. Chris and Jim Ridlon

Crystal Marie's Floral - January 17, 2020 at 08:15 AM

TG

“ Thursday card group. purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Barry D. Jolin.



Thursday card group. - January 06, 2020 at 11:18 AM

CS

“ Chip And Diane Steele lit a candle in memory of Barry D. Jolin



chip and diane steele - January 05, 2020 at 09:16 PM

DH

“ *The thing I admired about Barry was his wonderful enthusiasm for life and his eternal positive attitude. Attributes that I am sure made him successful in the world of sales. Rest in peace.*

Dave Havel - January 05, 2020 at 08:02 AM

DK

“ *Barry was the greatest, from 2nd grade thru high school graduation of high school we were good friends. we hunted and fished together, doubled dated many times , and always had a good time. growing up with Barry made me proud to be his friend, seemed like he was very successful at all he put his mind to. He also was my oldest son's god-father. Rest In Peace Barry. David Kuske.*

David Kuske - January 03, 2020 at 02:02 PM

AS

“ *I worked with Barry when I was with Coldwell years ago. He was always a hardworking person, kind and a great person. He will be dearly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family friends and colleagues*

Ashlei Smith - January 02, 2020 at 10:15 PM



“ *Sending condolences to the Jolin family. My family lived in Boulder Jct. when we were young. Thinking of you during this difficult time. Nancy (Dick) Muth.*

Nancy Muth - January 02, 2020 at 09:27 PM

SA

“ Barry gave me my first job, I believe in 1976. I learned a lot from working with him, my brother Mark, Bush, John, Rick, Dave, and countless others. Sorry to hear of his passing. My condolences to his family. RIP Barry! I raise a glass to your memory!

Scott Ashton - December 31, 2019 at 10:04 PM

TW

“ So very sorry to hear news of Barry. We bought many snowmobiles and boats from him. He was a great guy. Fun loving and like able by all who knew him. He will be greatly missed in the community.
Tom and Sandi Williams

Tom and Sandi Williams - December 31, 2019 at 02:29 PM

GA

“ My memories of Barry literally go back to the sandbox. As my neighbor and “first” best friend we shared a childhood together. RIP Barry.....
Greg Ashton

greg ashton - December 30, 2019 at 11:03 AM

KR

“ So sorry for your loss, Courtney, Stephanie, and families. Wishing you comfort and warm memories during this especially difficult time. Barry will be missed.

Kathy and Roger - December 29, 2019 at 12:57 PM

GM

Karlyn and I are very sad to hear of your loss. We have enjoyed Barry back when he built the marine sales company. He was always very accommodating and jovial with his customers. We consider ourselves fortunate to have known him.

Gary Meinert - December 31, 2019 at 10:34 PM

EJ

That is terrible news when I heard Barry Passed. He was such a good guy happy go lucky and easy to work with as I have got to know him over the past 15 years selling real estate, I am sure he was good at selling boats back in the day. He sure will be missed.

ERIK R JOHNSON - January 02, 2020 at 09:15 PM

SK

*Darcy, Stephie and Courtney - I'm so sorry for your loss. I've known Barry ever since he played Little League with my 2 younger brothers during the summer in Boulder. The Kern family always enjoyed doing business with him at the Marine Center. And of course I knew Barry as a wonderful dad to Stephie and Courtney. We've lost a good soul. Please know I'm thinking of you!
Sue Kern - January 13, 2020.*

Sue Kern - January 13, 2020 at 09:42 AM

MM

Barry was a good man. He was compassionate, intelligent and would help anyone. I will miss him and I know I am a better man for knowing Barry. God Bless.

Michael Mulleady - January 16, 2020 at 08:55 PM

GL

Barry and I had offices next to each other at Coldwell. Therefore, we shared great times and conversations. What I respected the most of Barry was his total love and compassion for his daughter's and grandchildren. He really will be missed.

George Law

George Law - January 18, 2020 at 06:41 PM