



## John A. Barouski

October 22, 1948 - April 19, 2022

John A. Barouski, husband, father, computer whiz, destroyer of coffee makers, died on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at Theda Clark Medical Center in Neenah. He was 73.

He was born on October 22, 1948, in Chicago, Illinois, the son of John and Betty Harding Barouski. He spent years as a seminarian with the Pallotine Fathers and Brothers, attending Queen of Apostles High School and St. Francis DeSales College. He eventually left seminary and later married Phyllis I. Beyer on October 16, 1971, in Marinette, Wisconsin.

John always worked in insurance, first in Chicago and then in Madison. He was employed at Society Insurance (formerly Threshermen's Mutual) in Fond du Lac for 35 years before retiring in 2013. John had been a volunteer at St. Vincent DePaul and served mass at Holy Family Parish. He absolutely loved retirement-reading, learning and long theological discussions.

John is survived by Phyllis, his wife of 50 years, their children Karen Barouski and David Barouski both of Fond du Lac; his siblings: Anne (John) Bedlek, Mary Beth Garman, Terese (Wayne) Fron, Charles "Rusty" Barouski, Deborah Greene and James Barouski. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews and many, many friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother Joseph and nephew Richard Greene.

SERVICE: A Catholic Mass will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, April 29, 2022, at Sacred Heart Church of Holy Family Parish, 200 South Peters Avenue, Fond du Lac. Cremation has taken place.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Vincent DePaul Holy Family Conference, 330 North Peters Avenue, Fond du Lac, WI 54935.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR **29**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Church of Holy Family Parish  
200 South Peters Avenue  
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

# Tribute Wall

YV

“ I will never forget John. He hired me to work in the WC department so many years ago. He was a firm but fair manager. He took me under his wing and mentored me on WC, everything I know in WC is based on knowledge I received from him. He was a manager who always had your back. Rest in peace John, your memory will live on.

Yvette - April 29, 2022 at 09:48 AM

TE

“ Rest in Peace John, mentor & friend. You, your smile, your wit, your knowledge, your stern look, money jingling in the pocket, you will be missed by many.

Theresa Eimerman - April 28, 2022 at 05:53 PM

CS

“ I worked with John in 1993 at Society Insurance. Tough boss, but I enjoyed him. My sympathies to family and friends. I may not have known him well, but wanted the family to know that I remembered him with a smile after all of this time. God's peace to you all.

Cathy Steffes - April 27, 2022 at 11:11 PM

JT

“ John was one of the most unique, intelligent, intense, and committed people I worked with in my insurance career. We challenged each other and, I believe, made each other better. My life has been enriched by knowing him. To his family, I extend my sincere condolences.

Jim Thomas

Jim Thomas - April 27, 2022 at 03:26 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of John A. Barouski.*



April 27, 2022 at 03:09 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the Barouski family. John was my boss, mentor, and friend. I worked with John beginning at Thresherman's Mutual Insurance Company, and later Society Insurance for 30 years. I would run into John from time to time after his retirement and we could pick up where we left off. He was always personable and remembered everything! We had quite the history and wouldn't change it for anything. I respected his opinion. I always looked forward to my next run in with him. He will be truly missed.*

**Cindy** - April 27, 2022 at 12:10 PM



“ *Love, Carol, Ed, Ellen and Families purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of John A. Barouski.*



**Love, Carol, Ed, Ellen and Families** - April 27, 2022 at 08:34 AM

BS

“ My condolences to all of John's family. I had the pleasure of working under John's direction in the claims department at Society for 5 years until he retired. I learned a lot from John in that short time. He impacted my career and mentored me more than he will ever know. He was a great mentor and coach to many. John will truly be missed.

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**Becca Sperger** - April 26, 2022 at 09:07 PM

TS

“ John hired me at Society Insurance (Threshermen's Insurance at that time) in 1989. From that day forward he taught me so many things. I owe my career to him. He was a great teacher and mentor. He was an overall good person who would give you the shirt off his back. I am grateful that I got to know him.

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**Tracy Schneider** - April 26, 2022 at 08:37 PM

JE

“ John was a remarkable man. He came over and introduced himself to me at my first day at Society, I was not in his department, and showed genuine care for me as a person. I always remembered that conversation and the amazing thing was over the years he recalled all the details of the conversation and about me. He was a great man and will be missed by many. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Jennifer** - April 26, 2022 at 05:01 PM

MZ

“ *Michael and Jennifer Zajicek purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John A. Barouski.*



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**Michael and Jennifer Zajicek** - April 26, 2022 at 04:32 PM

PW

“ *I have such fond memories of John. He was my mentor, my boss and my friend. He truly taught me so much over my 30 year career. He challenged me to do better almost daily! I will forever thank him for teaching me everything i know about workers compensation and the Q&A dos program!! My condolences to his family during this difficult time.*

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**Pamela Wendt** - April 26, 2022 at 02:16 PM

LW

“ *I remember John from working with him at Thresherman's in the claims department. I worked there from 1977 to 1980 and he was always kind and a gentleman. My sincere sympathy to his wife and family. May he rest in peace.*

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**Luann Wrzesinske** - April 26, 2022 at 01:45 PM