



Timothy Anthony Barr

July 23, 1940 - March 19, 2022

Died on March 19 after a long battle with pancreatic cancer. Born on July 23, 1940, he grew up in NJ and received his Bachelor and Master degrees in science from Montclair University.

> He taught physic and biology in Passaic and Kinnelon High Schools before moving to VA where he was an assistant principal in Fairfax County at Fort Hunt, Lake Braddock, West Springfield ,and Chantilly High Schools before retiring to enjoy biking , fishing ,and joining the model train clubs that put modular layouts together at events for the public to enjoy.

> He leaves behind his wife, Mary, of 56 years: daughter, Kathleen and husband Joseph and grandkids, Jack, Joe, and Mary: son Christopher: brother, Greg and his wife Karen and their sons, Greg, Andrew, and Ryan, as well as many relatives and friends .

> Final arrangements will be a family affair. In lieu of flowers, plant a tree or bush in his honor, as he was very concerned about climate change,

Tribute Wall

LD

“ We were so sorry to hear of Tim's passing, but know he fought the good fight, as anyone who knew him would expect. Please know that we send Kathleen and her family, Christopher and you, dear Mary, our love and deepest condolences. We will continue to keep you all in our prayers and in our hearts.

Linda and Dean

Linda and Dean - April 01, 2022 at 10:47 AM

DM

“ Tim was one of the first friends I made in the Potomac Module Crew after joining in 2007, and he was certainly the most stalwart friend I had in the crew. He always stood on the highest principles. And while we always got along, some people who didn't understand where he was coming from or why principles mattered so much would sometimes get annoyed at him. Yet he was always welcoming and quite generous to others in the model railroading hobby.

Over the past 22 months, Tim faced his terminal diagnosis with the utmost the objectivity and realism. As difficult as that time was for Tim and his family, I don't think there was anything that he could've done better. He did everything right, in my opinion.

Although the 2021 Manassas show was the last time I saw Tim in person, I'm glad I was able to keep in touch with him, mostly via email, until just recently. I offer my sincere condolences to his family and friends. I will certainly plant a tree in his honor, and I will certainly miss him.

David Arday, MD - March 29, 2022 at 08:27 PM

DH

“ Tim had a strong personality, to say the least. I, like many others, met and came to know him through the model railroading hobby. I think his strongest traits were passion and loyalty -- passion for doing the right thing and stewardship of the world around us and a loyalty to his friends that always drove him to act only in the best interests of his friends.

He was always generous with his time and talents. He never shied away from helping where and how he could. So many owe him thanks for learning new hobby skills and greater enjoyment from the model railroading hobby. In the end, he was most generous in dispersing his large trove of hobby items to others who would best be able to use them.

He will be missed but always remembered.

Doug Hess - March 26, 2022 at 06:42 PM

JK

“ Tim was a dear friend to me and my late husband for many years. I have so many fond memories of Tim and all his family. My thoughts and prayers are with them. Rest In Peace. Joanie

Joan Karas - March 21, 2022 at 07:16 PM

BJ

“ I met Tim early in 2009 when I showed up for a Potomac Module Crew model railroad event in the Lyceum in Alexandria. Tim let me carry his narrow straight modules, then still under construction, and later let me run his train on the impromptu lay-out. Since then, he helped me with modules and in many other ways. Early in his illness, he began giving away his collections. I am now the "owner" of the narrow straights and many other items that were once Tim's.

Tim was Assistant Principle of vocational arts at Chantilly High School in 1992, when my son, Dan, was a student in electrical shop. In 2016, he had Dan had a reunion of sorts at a train show in Chantilly. Dan had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer at the time, and died early in 2017. Ironically, the same disease would take Tim 5 years later.

Tim was born on July 23, 1940, one day after my sister Ellie. Ellie died of cancer on November 8, 2005, 15 years to the date before Alex Trebek, born on the same date as my sister, died of pancreatic cancer. Tim told me that Alex was his hero because he lasted 2 years with the disease. (Only 9% of pancreatic cancer victims last 1 year post diagnosis.) Well, Tim, you also made it 2 years. Bravo!

Bill Jacobs - March 21, 2022 at 09:30 AM

TG

“ Thanks Tim, many thanks indeed...

Tim Gallagher - March 21, 2022 at 09:02 AM

BP

“ Mary, know that you and the family are in my prayers. I fondly remember pickleball!

Bill Ponn

Bill Ponn - March 20, 2022 at 08:42 PM