



Joseph Berengher Brechtel, Jr.

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Well known fishing guide, Joseph Berengher “Capt. Barry” Brechtel, Jr. passed away on Tuesday, November 25, 2008.

Beloved husband of Pam Bitterwolf Brechtel; loving father of Beren, Sophia and Bennet Brechtel; son of Drs. Berengher and Rebecca Underwood Brechtel; son-in-law to Gordon and Sandra Bitterwolf; brother of Royceann B. Fugler and her husband Chad; brother-in-law to Mark Bitterwolf and his wife Anne and Lynn B. Ward and her husband Brent; and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Brechtel, III (Godfather)., Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Clarkson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Olson, Mr. And Mrs. Joe Krippel and Mrs. Charles Machecek, his Godmother. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Brechtel, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Roy G. Underwood; and his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Battistella.

Age 43 years, he was a native of Algiers, LA, he was a resident of Covington, LA for the past 10 years. He was a 1984 graduate of Jesuit High School and a 1989 graduate of Loyola University. He was a financial consultant with Merill Lynch and Smith Barney for 18 years. He was the co-owner of Big Fish Charters and Breton Sound Marina. He was the Host of the “Louisiana Wildlife” program and the noontime Friday fishing report both on WDSU TV in New Orleans. He was a member of the Christian Golfers Association and the Coastal Conservation Association. He gave of his time and resources to the Kids Kicking Cancer Fishing Rodeo, Little Sisters of the Poor, New Orleans Mission, and Fishing For Hope.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to Celebrate the Mass of Christian Burial at Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 1501 West Causeway Approach, Mandeville, LA 70471 on Saturday, November 29, 2008 at 12:00 Noon.

Visitation AT THE CHURCH will begin at 10:00 AM on Saturday.

Interment will follow in Pinecrest Memorial Gardens in Covington, LA.

The family would prefer donations to Christian Golfers’ Association, 3433 Highway



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190, Box 108, Mandeville, LA 70471, Jesuit High School, 4133 Bank Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, (504) 486-6631, www.jesuitnola.org or Friends of Brechtel Park (founded in memory of Barry's grandfather), 78 Yellowstone Court, New Orleans, LA 70131, www.brechtelpark.org.



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E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services shared a **Tribute Video**.



June 6 at 5:51 AM



Keith Schmidt posted:

Dear Berengher I'll never forget how kind you were to me at the OPSB via my friend Mike Duffy. I did not know Barry but if he was anything like his father, he was a great guy! Certainly reading, seeing, listening to all the media testimonials verify what a great person he was...one of those people who made a difference in people's life and would help anyone...like his dad. I have a son and I can only imagine what this must be like for you and wife. I am so very sorry. Know that you are in my prayers and thoughts. Warmly Keith Schmidt

December 4 at 7:00 PM



Greg And Marley Marten posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during these times of sorrow.

November 30 at 7:00 PM



Thelma And Ken Rohbock posted:

Dear Berengher and Becky, It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of your son. We send our sincere condolences, our love, and our prayers to you and the family at this very difficult time. Ken and Thelma Rohbock

November 30 at 7:00 PM



Larry Frilot posted:

TO CAPT. BARRY'S WIFE AND FAMILY. BARRY WAS A GREAT PERSON, HE WILL BE MISSED. FISHING TEAM APS. GOD BLESS.

November 30 at 7:00 PM



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SF

Shana Figaro posted:

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

November 30 at 7:00 PM

SJ

Shawn Jackson posted:

No One Can Know No one can know just what you've lost; No one can understand the cost; But when you feel your energy drain, Please count on us to help ease your pain. Let us help you cope with grief; We hope with time you'll feel relief. We can't replace the one who's gone, But let our concern help you carry on. Special Populations Dept at Belle Chasse Academy

November 30 at 7:00 PM

MD

Michael N, Kleamenakis O.D. posted:

It was my pleasure to know you Barry. I will miss your smiling face and friendly hand shake everytime I go to Hopedale. Thank You for being part of my life.

November 29 at 7:00 PM

R8

Rebecca Koon Walker (Ssa '87) posted:

Dear Pam (& family), My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family right now. May God be with all of you during this time of heartache. My continued prayers will be with all of you. Love, "Becky"

November 28 at 7:00 PM

JD

Johnny Despeaux posted:

Pam and the Brechtel Family--I was shocked and saddened by the loss of Barry. He was an honorable man who impacted a lot of people. I listened to the Don Dubuque radio show this morning and the testimonials and outpouring of love and respect by so many people was amazing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all and if I can help with something please call.

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MM

Mr& Mrs Albert Mintz posted:

Linda and Albert Mintz send their profound condolences and sympathy. We know the distress you are feeling at this time. We want you to know that we are thinking of you. Linda and Albert Mintz

November 28 at 7:00 PM

GL

George Logan posted:

The last time we were down at the marina he told me where to take my two son so they could catch same fish. because there dad couldnt catch any, and they did .We will miss his smile and his jokes. Stay strong and my God keep all of you. from the Logan Family

November 28 at 7:00 PM

TH

Thumai posted:

Dear Pam, My condolences to the loss of your best friend and love of your life, Barry. My thoughts and prayer are with you and your family. I've always remember when you and Barry first met. Long time ago... I will ask the sisters to pray for the repose of his soul. May he rest in peace. And may God comfort you during this very difficult part of life's journey. "Weep with those who weep" Peace and prayers, Sr. Mai

November 28 at 7:00 PM

JB

Joelle Bourgeois posted:

Pam; There are no words to express my sympathy for you and your family. I have many fond memories of Barry, and my prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Love Joelle

November 28 at 7:00 PM

IB

Indie Underwood Bowman posted:

In loving sympathy for your tragic loss, we think of you and remember you in our prayers.

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HU

Helen & Ken Underwood posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Helen and Kenny

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AG

Alicia Golemon posted:

My deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Joseph Berengher Brechtel Jr. You and your family are in my thoughts, and in my prayers. May God give you peace and be with you during this time of loss. Remember, A life that touches the hearts of others lives on forever.

November 28 at 7:00 PM

SK

Sarah Kelso posted:

To the family and loved ones of Berengher Brechtel, Jr. I send my deepest condolences and heart felted wishes . You are in my thoughts and prayers. I am an employee of Uniforms By Bayou, Mobile Location.

November 28 at 7:00 PM

GH

George & Nancy Haas posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. Please accept our sincere sympathy. The Haas Family

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TM

Tudy Valois Mccann posted:

Dear Pam, I am so very sorry for your loss, my heart goes out to you and your children. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Tudy Valois McCann

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CU

Carrie Underwood posted:

Becky & B I am sorry about your loss of your son Barry. Love, Carrie

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WS

Wil Schober posted:

My family wants to convey our deepest sympathy for Capt Barry's family. We will miss him. Every time we saw Barry at BSM he had kind words and gave our fishing dog a little scratch on the head. He truly was a generous and caring person. We will miss seeing him on the 15-20 times a year that we launch our boat down there. We've really lost another good one here.

November 28 at 7:00 PM

TU

Terry And Mary Ann Underwood posted:

Dear Becky, B and family, Our prayers have been with your family since we received this terrible news. His wonderful eulogy at your Mom's funeral will remain with us forever. May God bless you

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SK

Steven Kern posted:

To the Brechtel Family, my deepest sympathies and prayers. I had the honor to know Barry through my father and our many fishing trips. Barry was a bright light among men. He always had a smile on his face, a kind word and was ready for adventure. He has brought much joy to me, my family and friends and will never be forgotten. Our prayers will be with your family during this time and always.

November 28 at 7:00 PM

SJ

Shirley Melton Judge posted:

The Drs. Brechtel: I am so sorry to read of the passing of your son. You have my deepest sympathy and I wish you well.

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NN

Norma Willis Nall posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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BK

Bonnie Kalb posted:

To Capt. Barry's wife, children and family. Also, friends at BSM. May God bring you peace and comfort during this most difficult time. God Speed, Cliff Duet, Bonnie Kalb

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BD

Bonnie & Jim Donaldson posted:

Although we have never met Barry, his mother has been a friend since high school. We want you to know that we have the family in our thoughts and prayers. May all the wonderful memories you have help you through this difficult time.

November 27 at 7:00 PM

JD

John Davidson posted:

dear becky, berengher, royceann, and pam, i know that there are no words to express my sincere sympathy to all of you over this tragic loss, i had the priviledge of meeting barry on a few occasions and i must tell you what an outstanding and nice person he was, i know that he leaves behind a very loving family and many, many friends and i am sure all of barry's friends are keeping you in their thoughts and prayers i know that i certainly am, keep a strong faith and God will help you through this, again you will always remain in my prayers

November 27 at 7:00 PM

CP

Chloe Pullen posted:

to pam, beren, sophia, and bennet - barry was such a shining light. i looked forward to seeing him every year that we fished together. he will be sorely missed and i am so sorry for your tragic loss. he truly was a wonderful man and the world just isn't as beautiful without him here. my thoughts are with you, chloe pullen

November 27 at 7:00 PM

MF

Mary Ferry posted:

I have never done this before, but I felt so personally touched. I have 9 kids and my 3 oldest are obsessive fishermen had met capt barry many times and thought he was great. I only had to see him on tv to see his love of life which he lived to the fullest. what a wonderful man. I am so sorry.

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BW

Barbara & Mark Workman posted:

The dictionary contains a million words to help us communicate with one another, yet no words will alleviate your sadness and loss. Although we did not know Barry, we know you, and therefore know that he was a wonderful son, father, husband, and friend. Our hope is that your memories help you get through each day, and that, in time, your broken heart will find peace.

November 27 at 7:00 PM

GW

Guy Wooldridge posted:

My deepest regrets to the family. I considered Barry a good friend and a great gentleman. I could always depend on him. When I lived in madisonville, LA I was directly involved with the Christian Golfers Association. Barry always came through for us. Guy wooldridge

November 27 at 7:00 PM

LS

Laura Stephens Singleton posted:

Dear Becky, Berengher, Royceanne and Pam, My heart is broken for you, as loosing a son or husband at such a young age is so hard. I have been where you are; please call me anytime you want to talk to someone who understands how you feel. Always cherish the many happy and loving memories you are blessed with. You are in my prayers for God to carry you through this difficult time.

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JC

John Castelluccio, Jr posted:

Barry will be missed forever. His dedication to his family and "his outside families" was overwhelming. He positively affected many, many individuals both young and old! Wish I had taken the time to have talked more with him---my loss!!! John Castelluccio, Jr.

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DC

Dan Crowley posted:

The loss of Cap. Barry is a loss for us all. He was a true sportsman that helped everyone he came into contact with. His contribution to the fishing industry is unmatched. Everyone that has ever met him, no matter long you spent with him, is a better person for it. To his wife and children, my prayers are with you in this very hard time.

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BS

Brandy Breaux Simkins posted:

Becky, Berengher and Roycee, I am so sorry for the loss of Barry; he will be sorely missed.... my most sincere condolences to the entire family. with love, brandy

November 26 at 7:00 PM

EP

Eydie & J. Pullman posted:

Dear Pam, Bitterwolf's, & Brechtels, Our thoughts & prayers are w/you during this very difficult time. You are blessed to have such supportive and loving families to help you along as you grieve the loss of Barry. May God bless you all. Best Regards, Eydie & J. Pullman & children

November 26 at 7:00 PM

JR

Joe Rassat posted:

I would like to pass along my condolences to Barry's family and friends from his partners and friends at Berkley Fishing.

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MD

Mike And Jenna Deboisblanc posted:

Dear Pam and family, Words cannot express how sad we are to hear about Barry's death. We have such great memories of him when we all lived in Old Metairie. I am flying out Friday to attend the service. I look forward to seeing you Pam but I am sad for the reason that we are being brought together. The entire Bitterwolf/Brechtel family are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Mike and Jenna

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BL

Bob And Lisa Lawyer posted:

Our sympathy and prayers to you and your family. Sincerely

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MS

Mark And Julie Shreve posted:

A wonderful man from a wonderful man who will be greatly missed.

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DO

Dee & Joe Oberfell posted:

Our prayers are with your family and we pray that your soul is now with our Father in Heaven. The Christian Golfers will miss you.

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D9

Duane & Lori Darcey (Lu '89 & '90) posted:

To the Brechtel family, Our deepest condolences and sympathies are with you all on this saddest of occasions. We share fond memories (through Loyola Liaisons and Theta Phi Alpha) of a vibrant and confident young man who had nothing but good to contribute to his community. Children, remain strong in the knowledge that your dad was a great guy. Today, of all days, we hope that you are able to give thanks for the precious gift of your family. Undoubtedly, you are now drawn even more tightly together by the memories you've gathered over the course of 43 short years. Our thoughts are with you as you struggle to find peace once again in Barry's absence.

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PG

Pam & John Guidry posted:

Dear Pam, We didn't know Barry, but want you to know that we are so very sorry for your loss and our prayers are with you and your children. Sincerely, Pam and Johnny

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CM

Century Man posted:

Barry, we will miss you brother, BSM, shit Hopedale will never forget you. You and Blackie are in Heaven together, he's cranking the wheel on the baitwell you got the boat ready, but first he's got to go tow some 12ft. skiffs out to Lake B. will pick em up later, then you 2 are off in a sea called Heaven, where there is always smooth seas good tides light winds bright moons and beautiful sunsets!!!
Loved and missed Katherine and Steven

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JH

Jerry Ruiz(Jerrys Grocery And Deli)Hopedale posted:

our condolences to your family.god bless

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TP

Tom Palumbo posted:

I will be praying for you and your family. Barry touched so many people and everyone was better for meeting him. I am very sorry for your lose. Please know that God is holding you in His hands. Tom Palumbo

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JM

Joe Mier posted:

Dear Brechtel Family Barry will be miss by many people as he touched so many peoples lives on and off the water. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all at this time and know that God will comfort you at this time. Sincerly, Joe Mier and Family

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CR

C. Fenton Rutledge posted:

Dear Pam and Children, I wrote Hal that I felt as if I had been kicked in the gut. Your husband and father was a vibrant part of our Christian Golfers Assn., and I cannot imagine an event without his smile and wit. One of my fondest memories of Barry was at Tchefuncte CC when a thunderstorm wiped out the rest of play, and we were all gathered in the clubhouse. There ensued the telling of several golf and fishing stories with Barry's being the most hilarious of all. My stomach hurt not from the golf nor from over eating, but from all the laughter we shared. It was a wonderful warm camaraderie sharing time that may have been more enjoyable than the golf. We will miss him, and we will be praying for you and the children. In Christ's Love, C. Fenton Rutledge

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CW

Capt. James Wilson posted:

Pam, While I only got to know Barry through the boat and sportsman show and different CCA events he was truly one of the Great guys in our business. He always made the time to speak to eveyone that approached him. He will be missed. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. If there is anything that myself or anyone of my guides can do for you and your family please let us know. God Bless Capt. Phil Robichaux's Fishing Team

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TS

The Saubers posted:

We met Barry at BSM on our many fishing trips down in Hopedale. What a great person. We last saw him a few weeks ago at Pelican Park- watching a MSC soccer game. All true Louisiana fisherman are mourning a true fishing legend!

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JM

Joe McMahan posted:

MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY. OUR FATHER HAS A PLAN FOR ALL OF US AND WE ARE NOT SUPPOSE TO UNDERSTAND HIS REASON.

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DS

Don & Cheryl Smith posted:

"B & Becky and family. We are thinking you and may the grace of God give you Strength. You are special and are here for you . Love Don & Cheryl.

November 24 at 7:00 PM

MD

Monica & Eric Dumas posted:

We did not know Barry well but Eric had the pleasure of talking with him several times at CCA Banquets and local meetings. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as we know first hand how difficult this is for you and the family. We lost our 21 year old Son last year in a tragic offshore accident. We continue to pray for all of you and if there is ANYTHING we can do, Please let us know. May God bless and keep you.. Captain and Mrs. Eric J Dumas Living A Dream Guide Service

November 24 at 7:00 PM



Media

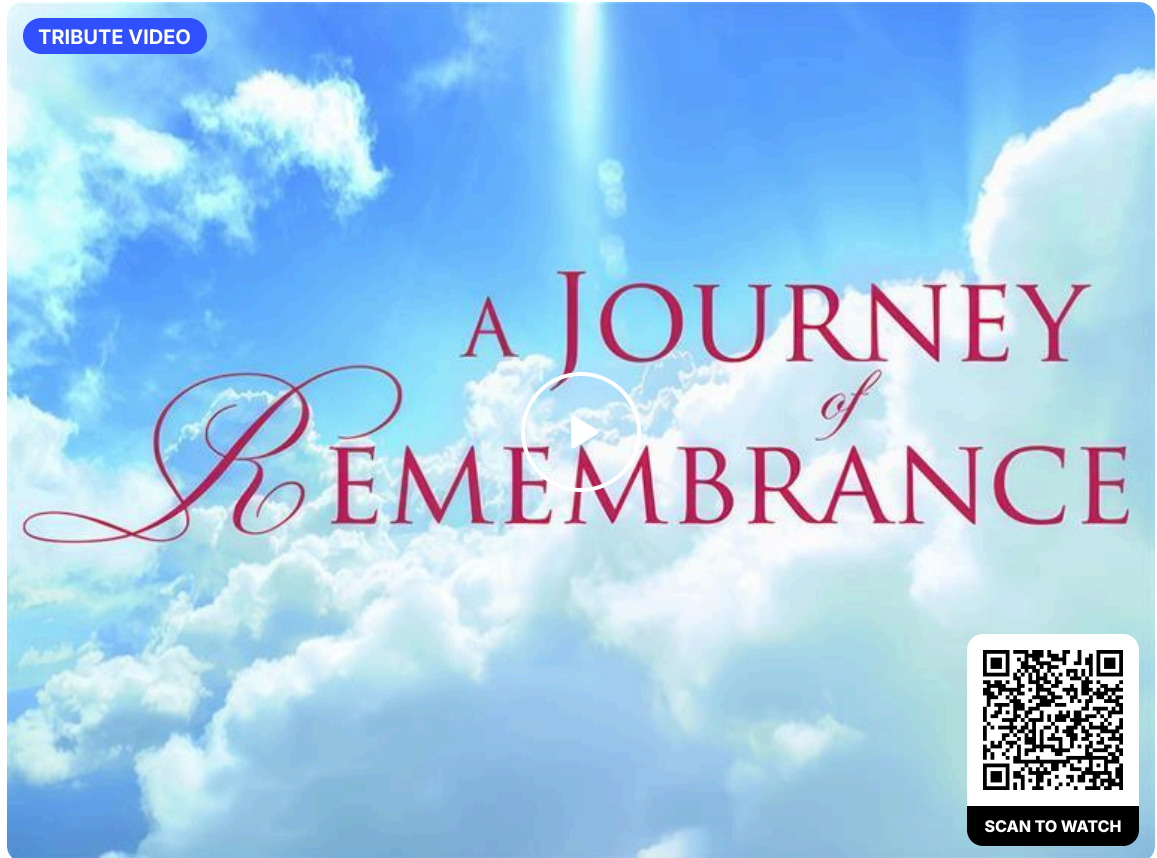
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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