



DON'T CRY FOR ME

Don't cry for me. I will be okay.
Heaven is my home now, and this is where I'll stay.

Don't cry for me. I'm where I belong.
I want you to be happy and try to stay strong.

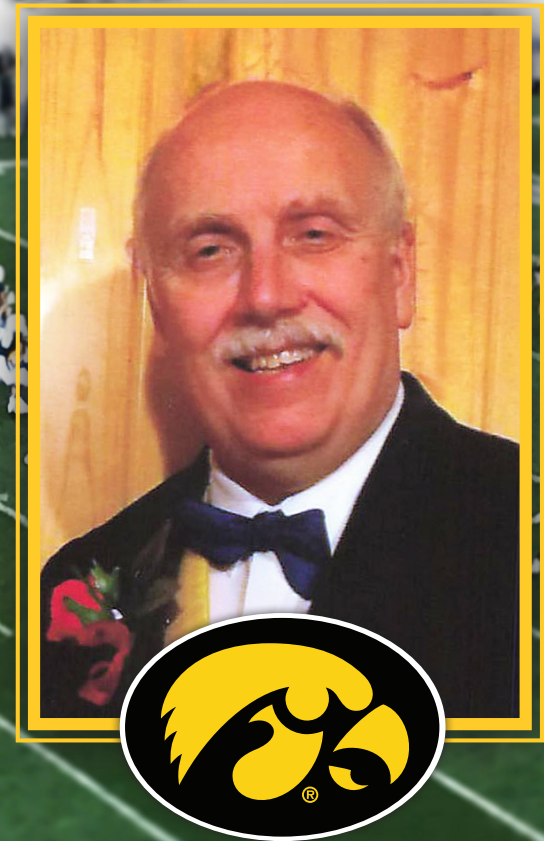
Don't cry for me. It was just my time,
but I will see you someday on the other side.

Don't cry for me. I am not alone.
The angels are with me to welcome me home.

Don't cry for me, for I have no fear.
All my pain is gone, and Jesus took my tears.

Don't cry for me. This is not the end.
I'll be waiting here for you when we meet again.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



JERRY F. BARKER

February 18, 1956 - May 25, 2026

Jerry F. Barker, 70, Britt passed away Monday, May 25, 2026, at UnityPoint Health - Trinity Regional Medical Center in Fort Dodge.

Jerry Francis Barker, son of George and Josephine (De Weerd) Barker, was born on February 18, 1956, in Britt, Iowa. Raised on a farm southeast of Britt, Jerry completed his education at Britt High School, graduating in 1974. He dedicated 45 years of his career to Iowa Mold Tooling in Garner, where he worked as a parts fabricator until his retirement in 2020. On July 10, 1982, Jerry married Cynthia "Cindy" Kerns at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Britt. The couple made their home in Britt, where they raised their family together. Jerry was a devoted grandfather who cherished attending his grandchildren's activities. In his younger years, he enjoyed playing slow pitch softball and was an enthusiastic fan of NASCAR. A passionate supporter of local and regional sports teams, Jerry followed the Iowa Hawkeyes, Seattle Seahawks, and West Hancock Eagles with great enthusiasm. He was a lifelong member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Britt.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Cindy, of Britt; three children, Valerie (Martin) Karsjens of Britt, Brandi (Rusty) Hadacek of Britt and Jesse (Haley) Barker of Klemme; grandchildren, Hailey Gilliland, Bailey Karsjens (Alex Trueblood), Hannah Barker, Jennifer, James and Jerry Karsjens, Racelyn and Tryce Hadacek and Hendrik Barker; a great-grandson; his siblings, Joyce (Roger) Church of Garner, Pat (Rick) O'Toole of Cedar Rapids, Mary (Len) McCormick of Britt, Bill Barker of Britt, Ann Barker of Britt, Mona (Jeff) Secora of Mason City and Teresa Kerns of Britt; sister-in-law, Linda Barker of Britt; his mother-in-law, Jeanice Kerns of Britt; Cindy's siblings, Garry Kerns of Britt, Doug (Janelle) Kerns of Bettendorf and David Kerns of Buda, TX; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Richard Barker; and father-in-law, Larry Kerns.

Memorials may be directed to West Hancock Ambulance Service or the West Hancock Athletic Boosters.

"JERRY SAID HE DID EVERYTHING HE WANTED TO IN LIFE."

Celebrating the Life of **JERRY F. BARKER**

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FUNERAL MASS

St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church
Duncan, Iowa
10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 30, 2026

CELEBRANT

Rev. Fr. Paulraj Sellam

LECTOR

Melissa Marcsisak

MUSIC

Mary Kopacek, Organist
Mary Chambers, Cantor

USHER

Eric Marchand

HONORARY BEARERS

Jerry's Grandchildren

CASKET BEARERS

Nick Studer	Kevin Stromer
Brian McCormick	Mike Hilbert
Blaine Barker	Joshua Lampe

BURIAL

St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery
Britt, Iowa

*All are invited to a luncheon in the church basement immediately following the funeral mass.
Burial will follow the luncheon.*

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FUNERAL HOMES