



## Edmund A. Barbeau

September 27, 1927 - November 1, 2019

Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Edmund P. and Josephine Barbeau (Radl), Ed was preceded in death by his beloved spouse of 54 years, Madeline Lucille Barbeau (Suefloh) and by his sisters, Ruth Schmidt and Hilda Hagen. He is survived by 11 children and their spouses, Shelley Fridell (Richard), Mary Jo Barbeau (Frank Mariani), Marcia Christofferson (Mike), Mike Barbeau (Kathy), Marty Barbeau (Silvia Gomez), Marc Barbeau (Lori), Meg Ramirez (Albert), Mia Barbeau, Ellyn Ferguson (Duane), Eric Barbeau, and Brad Barbeau (Karen Buehlman); also by 15 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. Ed brought his family from Milwaukee to Santa Barbara in 1972. A graduate of Marquette University with a master's degree in engineering, he was employed by Delco Electronics until his retirement, taking an active part in designing guidance systems for NASA's space program. He was especially proud to have been involved in the Apollo missions and the moon landing. He was active in the Boy Scouts of America Los Padres Council, particularly the Catholic Committee on Scouting, and he was a proud recipient of Scouting's Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service to BSA at the council level. He was also a solo practitioner in a tax preparation business, Beautax, and was a member of St. Raphael's Parish in Goleta. Ed and Madeline sold their sprawling house in Santa Barbara and relocated to Santa Maria in 2001, dividing the year between winters in Santa Maria and summers in the northwoods of Wisconsin until Madeline's death in 2005. After their move, they joined St. Louis de Montfort Parish in Santa Maria where Ed sang

in the choir, blending his tenor voice with those of fellow members during worship services on Sunday mornings.

A Visitation will be held at Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Chapel in Goleta, California on November 7, 2019 from 11:00 to 12:00pm, with a Funeral Service at 12:00 pm., following which Ed will be laid to rest next to Madeline at Calvary Cemetery, Santa Barbara, California. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that gifts be directed to the Boy Scouts of America in Ed's name. The family wishes to thank the caregivers at Santa Maria Terrace and especially Megan from Central Coast Hospice for their excellent care of Ed in his last days.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

199 North Hope Ave  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110  
(805) 687-8811  
[http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery\\_id=3](http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery_id=3)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Goleta  
450 Ward Drive  
Santa Barbara, CA 93111  
(805) 965-5145  
[info@wrhsb.com](mailto:info@wrhsb.com)  
<https://www.wrhsb.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV 7. 12:00 PM (PT)

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450 Ward Drive  
Santa Barbara, CA 93111  
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<https://www.wrhsb.com>

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ann Stokman lit a candle in memory of Edmund A. Barbeau*



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**Ann Stokman** - November 07, 2019 at 08:06 AM

MN

“ *Mike And Lisa Nicolai lit a candle in memory of Edmund A. Barbeau*



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**Mike and Lisa Nicolai** - November 05, 2019 at 05:39 PM

MP

“ *Remembering all the great times our family shared and Uncle Ed being kind, funny and my Dad's great friend. Uncle Ed's organization skills shone brightly on a trip to Mexico via Hollywood, Knots Berry Farm and CA freeways: will 3 cars in tow, before cell phones. We never got lost! My heart saddens with this loss of a great man.*  
*Mary Pezze*

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**Mary (Koszyczarek) Pezze** - November 05, 2019 at 10:16 AM