



*Celebrating The Life Of
In Loving Memory Of
Dave Smith
Barney Averill*

Barney Roy Averill, 75, of Sheridan, Wyoming, passed away on November 16, 2025, at his home. Born on May 27, 1950, Barney lived a life marked by grit, discipline, humor, and a deep love for the people around him.

Barney spent his career as an Engineer for the Burlington Northern Railroad, where his dedication and skill were well known. Beyond his railway career, he was also recognized as an astute businessman with a keen eye for opportunity.

His personal passions were vibrant mix that reflected his lively personality. Barney was a devoted enthusiast of 50's music and loved spending time admiring the craftsmanship at classic car shows. In his younger years, he enjoyed the open road, taking many memorable trips on his motorcycle and camping in the great outdoors. Above all, his greatest passion was his family.

Barney was an extraordinary man who lived a disciplined, yet undeniably exciting life, the kind that always kept you on your toes. He was a natural leader, someone who gave everything he had to whatever was in front of him. He loved a good conversation and never hesitated to share his mind.

His loved ones will forever cherish his quick wit, iconic one-liners, and warm sense of humor. He was known throughout his life for his immense generosity, always willing to lend a helping hand or offer a kind word. He was an intelligent mind that had a loving heart for those around him. He will be greatly missed and remembered as the successful, tough gritty Barney that many looked up to, loved and enjoyed having in their lives and now in their memories.

Barney is survived by his beloved wife, Jill Averill; his children, Rex Averill (son) and Amber Averill (daughter); and his grandchildren, Andrew Averill and Sierra Teter (Averill). He is also survived by his brother, Steve Averill, and numerous loving nieces, nephews, and extended family who loved him deeply.

He was preceded in death by his father Rex Averill, his mother Gladys Averill, and the mother of his children Kathy Averill.



May 27, 1950 - November 16, 2025

I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day, to laugh,
To love, to work or play.
Tasks undone must stay that way
I've found that peace at the close of the day.
If parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savoured much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and share with me,
God wants me now,
He set me free.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Tuesday November 25, 2025, at 11:00 am
Champion Kane Funeral Home

OFFICIATING

Deacon Joe Kristufek

MUSIC

Gregorian Chant

A Reception will immediately follow the service in the
Champion Kane Reception Hall.

Proverbs 3:5-8

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
do not depend on your own understanding.
Seek his will in all you do,
and he will show you which path to take.
Don't be impressed with your own wisdom.
Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.
Then you will have healing for your body
and strength for your bones.



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