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William Randolph Barber, 82, passed away peacefully on June 4, 2025. He was an extraordinary man — a devoted father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and a cherished friend to many.

A proud and active member of the Elks Club, William was known for his deep love of family and his unwavering loyalty. He built a life rooted in purpose, connection, and generosity. An avid family man, he didn't just talk about love — he showed it, every day, in every way.

William's passion for trains ran deep — from his career to his hobbies, he found beauty and joy in the world of locomotives. Just as strong was his love for the lake. He built his beloved lake home with his own two hands, a place that became a haven for generations. Whether boating, sitting by the water, or teaching someone something new, the lake was where his heart felt most at peace.

He loved to teach, to share, and to pass along knowledge to anyone who would listen — always with patience, always with care. His legacy lives on not just in the things he built, but in the people he inspired.

He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

A private memorial will be held by the family at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, a cause close to the family's heart.

Cremation arrangements are under the care of Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.