



## Verrill Barnes

May 12, 1930 - February 4, 2026

Verrill Wayland Barnes, age 95, passed away peacefully in his sleep on February 4, 2026, at Wesley Glenn Retirement Community in Columbus, Ohio. Verrill and his wife Terry Barnes moved there in 2004. It has been a wonderful place for Verrill to live. After Terry passed away in 2009, the love and support of close friends and staff at Wesley Glen was invaluable.

Verrill's handyman skills had been put to good use over the years. Spanning from the Industrial Arts Club at Ohio University to his time at Wesley Glen, where the workshop was renamed in his honor.

Verrill was born to Vernon and Cleo (Hannahs) Barnes in Jackson, Ohio. After graduating high school in 1948, Verrill served in the US Air Force, Reserves, and Ohio National Guard

over a period of 8 years. He graduated from Ohio University in 1954 and received his master's degree from Austin College in 1957.

As a son of two educators, it is not surprising that Verrill also was a teacher and school guidance counselor in Ohio public schools. He retired from education in 1988.

Verrill had been an active skier for many years, and skied with friends in the USA, Canada, Austria, Switzerland, and the former Yugoslavia.

Verrill was active in church his entire life and was a member of Meadow Park Church of God. He lived out his faith daily.

Verrill is survived by family and many friends. This includes his brother and sister-in-law, Ivan and Donna Barnes of Wake Forest, North Carolina. His niece Vicki Berndtson, her husband Greg Berndtson, and her children Brian and Kelley McCarty. His niece, Revonda Russos, her husband, Nick Russos, and her children, Evan, Hannah, and Alicia Balser. He is also survived by Harriet Davidson and her children, who have been like family to Verrill.