



## Barry Evan Weinstein

September 11, 1956 - May 6, 2022

### Barry Evan Weinstein

Of Alexandria, VA, passed away peacefully at home on May 6, 2022. Beloved partner, friend, educator and advocate, Barry was born on September 11, 1956, in Newport News, VA, to Juanita Julia (nee Taylor) and Jerald Weinstein. He grew up in Newport News and graduated from Homer L. Ferguson High School in 1974. On a gap year before college, he worked in Israel on a kibbutz and then attended the College of William and Mary where he earned his B.A. in fine arts in 1979. He then earned a Master's degree in education from the University of South Carolina. A gifted artist himself, he taught art in Columbia, SC, where he was voted by his school as teacher of the year. After that he taught for decades in Fairfax County Public Schools, VA, and held a number of leadership positions, including curriculum writer and assistant principal. During his career, he spent a year on a Fulbright Fellowship teaching in Prince Edward Island, Canada. When he retired, he became a lobbyist for the Fairfax County Federation of Teachers and advocated for K-12 public education legislation. He was appointed by the Virginia Secretary of Education to the School Readiness Committee that was created by the Virginia General Assembly. He is survived by his devoted partner, Thomas Martin, and a sister, Judith Weinstein. Barry is remembered as kind and generous with many talents, including producing paintings that grace the walls of honored friends and inspiring children to learn and create. Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barry Evan Weinstein*

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October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *I owe my entire career to Mr. Weinstein. He was the single most influential teacher in my life at Dreher High School. He got an immature, lazy kid who stared out the window in art class into college. I still tell his awful jokes to my family and peers. My biggest regret in life may be not connecting with him before it was too late. I am sickened today, but thankful that our paths crossed when they did in South Carolina. Godspeed Mr. Weinstein.*

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**Lee Price** - July 30, 2022 at 02:50 PM



“ *As a former and retired Fairfax County public school teacher like Barry, we connected through our teaching careers as well as friends at a local sports exercise facility. I truly admired Barry's high intelligence level as well as his sincere friendliness. Many times our short discussions at the gym were centered around national politics!*

*We also shared a wonderful friend, Barbara, who kept me up to date about Barry's recent physical well being. His partner, Tom, and I share the close proximity of our hometowns in SW Pennsylvania.*

*Barry will always be remembered for his sincere kindness, artistic talent and intellect! He will be sorely be missed.*

*May he now rest in peace.*

*Frank Bingman*

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**Frank Bingman** - May 13, 2022 at 07:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barry Evan Weinstein.*



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May 12, 2022 at 09:37 PM



“ *I met Barry when he, as part of the Beth El Caring Community, helped with the logistics of the little gathering after my husband's memorial service 3 1/2 years ago. He was so kind -- brightness for me at a dark period. Then, a few days later, when I came to Friday night services for the first time in over 10 years, he welcomed me beforehand and sat with me during the service, so I wouldn't be alone. It always brightened the day when I saw him -- never had the chance to talk much together, but he radiated warmth and kindness.*

*Sincerely,  
Mary Goldwag*

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**Mary Goldwag** - May 11, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *I worked with Barry and Kings Glen. I always enjoyed stopping by his classroom and chatting in the mornings. He would always make me smile. He was a gifted and compassionate teacher. He's the one who gave me a brief intro to the world of politics. I am so sad to hear about his passing. He was a remarkable person.*

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**Pam Hewitt** - May 11, 2022 at 10:24 AM

BH

“ *In high school 50 years ago Barry and I were inseparable, and we remained close ever since. He was a mensch. I miss him terribly! Just visited him about 10 days ago--Tom got a wonderful photo, which makes me weep. Bruce Hake*

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**Bruce Hake** - May 11, 2022 at 08:18 AM

BC

“ *My family and I are genuinely saddened by Barry's passing. When I think of Barry, my first thought is that he was truly a kind soul. Barry spoke in upbeat way yet was so humble and always ready to listen. Barry showed such genuine caring and was a true friend to those who knew him. To Tom and Barry's closest circle; you brought Barry tremendous happiness and comfort. We deeply feel your loss and will have you in our thoughts.*

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**Barry and Amy Carp** - May 11, 2022 at 07:54 AM

JJ

*I got to know Barry through our synagogue's Caring Community Committee. He was always willing to help-- a truly kind and gentle soul .  
Zichrono Livracha. May his memory be forever a blessing.*

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**Judy Jankowski** - May 12, 2022 at 08:24 AM

JS

*Barry was a wonderful neighbor. I always enjoyed chatting with him when we crossed paths during our dog walks. He brought warmth, humor and intelligence to the neighborhood. He will surely be missed, not just by me but all the people he touched in our community. I am so saddened by his passing.*

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**Janet Schrader** - May 12, 2022 at 09:59 AM

VD

*Barry was a beloved member of the Northern Virginia Labor Council family. He was incredibly supportive of others, always complimenting people and never wanting to take credit. He was always the most devoted volunteer for labor council events, rolling up his sleeves and helping out. He was selfless and caring and kind. We are broken hearted by his passing. He will be missed by many, many union sisters and brothers. I feel fortunate to have known him.*

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**virginia diamond** - May 12, 2022 at 09:37 PM

YZ

*I got to know Barry when we were walking our dogs over 13 years ago...he with Buss and me with Seta. He immediately came over and petted Seta while Buss stood a bit back checking things out. Barry never hesitated in reaching out. We both went on to greet new dogs years later. It was a joy (and a bit funny) to see him with Gus coaxing him down the street on his walks. Barry was one of the most kind people I have ever met. He was so generous and reading what people have written I can see I am not alone in experiencing his kindness. I am so sad that he has passed and I will miss him. My heart goes out to Tom and his family for this tremendous loss. I hope the knowledge of how many people he touched and who will remember him so fondly will give them some comfort.*

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**Yvonne Zecca** - May 21, 2022 at 08:14 PM