

On September 1, 2014, Harvey P. Barton, Jr., entered the church triumphant after a courageous battle with cancer. Harvey grew up in Nitro, West Virginia, and graduated from Nitro High School in 1963. He attended West Virginia University and was graduated from its School of Pharmacy in 1969. After graduation, he settled in the Huntington, West Virginia, area where he worked as a hospital pharmacist. He later came up with an idea to start his own home health care business--and Option Care was born. His business grew and later came to be known as Comprecare. He treated his business as a blessing from God. He shared that blessing by creating employment opportunities for others and sharing his wealth to help further Christ's Kingdom here on earth. Whether it was with his time, talents or treasures, he was always a cheerful giver—and he never held back.

He was also a life-long Presbyterian. Growing up, he attended Sattes Presbyterian Church in Nitro. After moving to Huntington, he became a member of the Bates Memorial Presbyterian Church. There he served as an elder and worked on various committees. Those who knew him saw his faith grow as he battled cancer during the last two years of his life. He could have given in. He could have given up. Instead, he set his sights on heaven and never took his eyes off the prize. His example during those last days served as an inspiration to everyone around him. At a time when he could have been down, his faith served as an inspiration to lift everyone around him up.

He is survived by his wife Jennifer, son Paul, daughter Melissa, sister Nancy, brother Jeff, and a host of other family members and friends too numerous to mention. He was preceded in death by his father Harvey P. Barton, Sr., and mother Julia C. Barton.