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Frank Bamberger loved family most

Frank J. Bamberger loved his work and the high school from which he graduated. But he reserved his greatest love for his family.

"He was always there for me," said his brother, Covington City Commissioner Jerry Bamberger.

"When I wanted somebody to talk to, I could always call him. He had a big heart, and he really cared about people."

"The most important thing to him was his family," said his daughter, Terri Nageleisen of Latonia. "He coached my brother in Knothole. He never missed anything we did."

Mr. Bamberger, 67, of Taylor Mill, died a 5:04 p.m. Thursday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center North in Covington after suffering a heart attack while playing golf in Devon Park.



Frank Bamberger

He was a retired barber and retired Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co. employee and a longtime supporter of Holy Cross High School in Latonia.

Mr. Bamberger, his late wife, Shirley Wendling Bamberger, and their children were graduates of Holy Cross High School.

Mr. Bamberger was president of the Holy Cross Boosters Club. Even after his children had graduated, he seldom missed a Holy Cross athletic event.

As a young man, he worked with his father, Frank Bamberger, in Frank's Barber Shop in Latonia while also working for CG&E.

"He worked at the barber shop two or three days a week, spending time with his dad," said a son, Gary Bamberger of Covington.

He worked as a barber for nearly 25 years, retiring when his father retired. The younger Frank continued to work for CG&E, retiring in 1996 as a credit investigator.

"He taught me the importance of living every day to the fullest; that friends are precious. He lived his life with honesty and integrity," Ms. Nageleisen said.

Shirley Bamberger died of a heart attack in 1996, shortly after her husband retired from CG&E.

Gary Bamberger called his father his best friend.

"He was truly a joy to be around," he said.

Other survivors include sisters Betty Burger and Barb Klumpp, both of Taylor Mill; and two granddaughters.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Cross Church, Latonia. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the church. Burial will be in Mother of God Cemetery, Fort Wright. Memorials are suggested to Frank J. Bamberger Memorial Fund, C/O Holy Cross District High School, 3617 Church St., Latonia, Ky. 41015.

Connley Brothers Funeral Home, Latonia, is handling the arrangements.