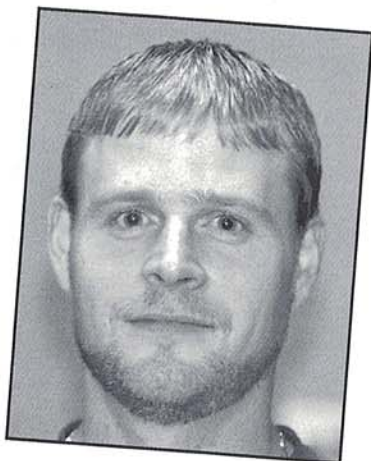


## Mini-Bio

# BARRY WALLACE



**BIRTH DATE / PLACE:** June 22, 1971 at Shaw Air Force Base in North Carolina.

**CITY OF RESIDENCE:** Lake Ridge, Virginia.

**MARITAL STATUS:** Married, happily, for 10 years with two children.

**EDUCATION:** 1991 graduate of Woodbridge Senior High School.

**CURRENT JOB:** Stay-at-home dad.

**EARLIEST BOWLING MEMORY:** Achieving my first 600 series to get into the 600 Club as a youth bowler.

**CURRENT LEAGUES/AVERAGES:** Wednesday Trios at U.S. Bowling (220 average) and Lost Weekenders at Bowl America Shirley (215).

**NUMBER OF PERFECT GAMES & 800 SERIES:** 7 300s / 5 800s

**TOURNAMENT TITLES:** Woodbridge Single Elimination Tournament, Falls Church Friday Night Tournament (three times), Vir-Mar Scratch Bowlers Tour at Alexandria, Vir-Mar District YABA City Tournament (team event).

**MOST RECENT BOWLING ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WHICH I'M MOST PROUD:** Shooting 834 last year at Bowl America Shirley.

**BEST PART OF MY GAME:** I really like my style and competitive drive.

**WORST PART OF MY GAME:** Combination spares and ball speed control.

**GREATEST BOWLING MOMENT:** Shooting my first 800 series on April 3, 1995.

**WORST OR MOST EMBARRASSING BOWLING MOMENT:** Shooting my first 300 was awesome and the most embarrassing. After the 12<sup>th</sup> ball, I collapsed on the lanes and almost fouled. My friends and family had to literally drag me away from the foul line so I wouldn't foul.

**BEST TACTIC I USE TO HANDLE PRESSURE ON THE LANES:** I just try to focus on my preshot routine. Play it in my mind and then just go and do what is necessary. I learned to accept my own feelings when I bowl. Just accepting that I am nervous relieves a lot of the pressure. [Coach] Bob Pendergraft used to say, "It's you and the lane and that is all that matters."

**ALL-TIME FAVORITE BOWLER:** My father, [NCABA Hall of Famer] Larry Wallace, a.k.a. "Razor"—need I say more? I have always admired his game and have tried to model my own game after his, both physically and mentally.

**WHEN I WATCH BOWLING ON TV, I WANT TO SEE THESE FIVE PROS:** Norm Duke, Parker Bohn III, Walter Ray Williams Jr., Rob Smith, and Brian Voss.

**LOCAL BOWLER I MOST ADMIRE:** Chris Johnson. It is really impressive to me to see him cash. He always seems to find his way to a cash spot and always gives himself the opportunity to win.

**SPARE-SHOOTER RATING (10 best – 1 worst):** 8.

**SPARE COMBINATION I DON'T WANT TO SEE IN THE 10TH FRAME:** 2-8 or 3-10.

**IMPORTANCE OF BOWLING IN MY LIFE (10 most – 1 least):** 8.

**THE ONE THING I LEAST UNDERSTAND ABOUT BOWLING:** Why bowlers are so quick to blame their bowling bad on everything else other than on themselves.

**MOST IMMEDIATE BOWLING GOAL:** To cash high in the High Rollers and the Hoinke.

**INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF BOWLING:** Playing golf and spending time with my family.

**VEHICLE I DRIVE:** 2000 Honda Odyssey.

**FAVORITE MEAL:** Wife's lasagna.

**FAVORITE BEVERAGE:** Bacardi and Coke.

**FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR:** Mint Chocolate Chip.

**FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "CSI" and "CSI: Miami."

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *A River Runs Through It*.

**FAVORITE NON-BOWLING MAGAZINE:** *Playboy*.

**FAVORITE FAST FOOD OUTLET:** Subway.

**FAVORITE WEB SITE:** *MSN Game Zone*.

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**NICKNAME:** People seem to like to call me "Bubba."

**MY CD COLLECTION INCLUDES:** Everything from Kid Rock to Tim McGraw.

**MOST RECENT NON-BOWLING ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WHICH I'M MOST PROUD:** Losing 100 pounds.

**PRODUCT FOR WHICH I'D LIKE TO BE SPOKESMAN:** Storm [bowling balls]. I just think their equipment falls in line the best for my game.

**TASK I HATE TO DO:** The dishes.

**SUBJECT ABOUT WHICH I'D LIKE TO KNOW MORE:** History.

**THREE FAMOUS PEOPLE (LIVING OR DEAD) I'D INVITE TO MY HOME FOR DINNER:** Sandra Bullock, Steven Segal, and Jim Carey.

**NUMBER ONE PET PEEVE:** When people are not on time.

**ONE WORD THAT BEST DESCRIBES ME:** *Dedicated.*

**MOST PEOPLE WOULD BE SURPRISED TO LEARN:** About two years ago, I almost gave up bowling altogether.

**PEOPLE IN HIGH SCHOOL THOUGHT:** I would be in jail.

**BIGGEST PERSONAL REGRET:** I wish that I had paid more attention in school, and I wish that I had tried to further my education.

**BIGGEST PERSONAL FAILURE:** Not winning the Youth (Vir-Mar District YABA) Invitational Tournament.

**NOBODY KNOWS I'M GOOD AT:** Darts.

**SUPERSTITIONS:** Bowling next to [a lane on which there is] a split.

**ONE THING I'D CHANGE ABOUT MYSELF:** How I am quick to jump to conclusions, and don't take the time needed to analyze the situation at hand.

**PARTICULAR TALENT I WISH I HAD:** I wish I knew how to play the piano.

**I'M BETTER THAN ANYONE ELSE WHEN IT COMES TO:** Playing low ball.

**THE ONE LIVING PERSON I'D LIKE TO BE FOR A DAY:** [Washington Redskins quarterback] Patrick Ramsey. I would really like to see the game through his eyes or maybe a quarterback who is better protected. I don't want to *feel* the game, just see it.

**MY MOST IRRATIONAL FEAR:** I am deathly afraid of heights.

**IF I COULD BE GRANTED ONE WISH:** Win the lottery so my wife can stay home with me.

**LIFE GOALS:** I hope to pursue a career in marketing or maybe starting my own bowling clinic. I really like analyzing people's games and watching them improve. The game of bowling is really fascinating to me.