

Media Release

The Hon Ben Carroll MP
Acting Premier



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STATE FUNERAL TO HONOUR BARRY THOMAS PULLEN

A State Funeral Service to celebrate the life of The Honourable Barry Thomas Pullen will be held at 2:30pm on Tuesday, 16 July at Fitzroy Town Hall.

Barry was a true servant to the people of Victoria, spending 20 years in the public sector before being elected to our state's Parliament in 1982.

He was determined to achieve a fairer and kinder Victoria – a cause he never wavered from during his time as Minister for Housing and Construction, Education and the Environment.

After retiring from Parliament in 1999, Barry's commitment to being a voice for the voiceless continued.

He was a profound leader and mentor for many, but above all else, he was a loving friend, husband, father, and grandfather.

The State Funeral will be open to the public, and for those unable to attend, the Service will be live streamed online.

At the request of the Pullen family and in lieu of flowers, tributes may be made in the form of a contribution to Aboriginal Housing Victoria. To donate, please visit – ahvic.org.au.

Further details about how to attend or how to view the live stream will be shared in due course, with the most up to date information available at vic.gov.au/BarryPullen.

Quotes attributable to Acting Premier Ben Carroll

"Barry Pullen was a staunch advocate for his community and found joy in helping others, both inside and outside of his political career."

"He was at the front of several social movements that paved the way for the Victoria we know today."