



Gerald Baker

August 8, 1932 - January 4, 2013

Gerald L. Baker (1932-2012)

CEDAR FALLS- Gerald L. Baker, 80, of Cedar Falls, formerly of Cresco, died Friday, January 4, 2013, at NewAldaya Lifescapes in Cedar Falls.

He was born August 8, 1932, in rural Cresco, Iowa, son of Leo J. and Emma A. (Smith) Baker.

He graduated from Cresco High School in 1950 and earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Iowa State University in 1955. He worked at Chamberlains prior to being employed as a math instructor with school in Iowa and Nebraska. He later served as a substitute teacher in the Cedar Falls area.

Survived by: one sister, Alice (Patrick) Shanahan of Lakewood, WA.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. His body has been deeded to the University of Iowa Deeded Body Program.

Condolences may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ Jerry thanks for the friendship! Your thoughts and knowledge always meant a lot to me. See you some day on the other side. If you see Dag Hammarskjold, greet him for me. You were always so kind to be on the look out for his book for me. Why not talk to him for real. Anything is possible! Love Janey Benson

Janey Benson - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

NR

“ Jerry not only had a genius level IQ, he was one of the sweetest, most compassionate people I've ever know. Requiescat in pace.

Nic Roberts - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

KB

“ Thank you for sharing your life with me RIP Jerry you are one of a kind!

Kim Barnett - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

LO

“ Whenever possible I read the letters to the editor you wrote in the Courier and in the Northern lowan. Your perspective in life was one-of-a-kind and I will miss reading your interesting and exceptional points of view. I also enjoyed talking with you when we ran into each other in various places.. RIP - Lou

Lou - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

LJ

“ I did not know Gerald, but I new about him because of his many letters to our local newspaper. I have been aware of him since I moved to Cedar Falls. I associate him with Cedar Falls. I often saw him in Hy-Vee, almost always in his overalls. I was shocked to read of his death and am sorry that he will no longer be walking the streets of Cedar Falls.

Linda Jernigan - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

TT

“ Cedar Falls has lost one of its signature people---Gerry's involvement with many causes serves as a great example of citizenship for us all. His encyclopedic output on any subject under the sun was a source of constant amazement, and his appearance at Stebs or Pour Dick's on the hill was always an invitationP9KNp to an entertaining conversation. He was one of the reasons there were "good old days."

Thomas Tritle - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

MI

“ Gerry was special. We spoke many times and I cannot say we always agreed but he was a good spirit that found his place in the world.

Mikeal - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM

JK

“ Jerry will be missed greatly by me. He was a wonderful cousin and friend. We enjoyed sharing family genealogy and history between each other. Jerry was a walking encyclopedia and helped me immensely with my research on our common family genealogy.

Jerry , I look forward to seeing you on the other side.

Jim Kapler

Jim Kapler - March 29, 2013 at 02:48 PM



“ Jerry was an iconic figure in Cedar Falls and The Hill area for many, many years and just an all-around nice person. Have a good rest.

March 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ I met Gerald when I was in college at UNI. We talked in the student union often, and then he and I lived close by in an apartment house. He was a kind, respectful, and interesting man - I have never forgotten him. I saw him a few years ago. I'm glad I had that opportunity. Blessings to all of you who are left behind - I'm sure he'll be missed.

Linda Ireland - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM