



David Harold Baker

January 18, 1918 - November 11, 2013

David Baker, 95 years young, devoted husband to Ruth Isakson Baker, of Alpharetta passed away peacefully Monday, November 11, 2013, at home. David was born on January 18, 1918, in Hazard, Kentucky, to parents Robert Baker and Polly Jones Baker. He is survived by Ruth, his bride of nearly 68 years, son David H. Baker, Jr., Alpharetta; son R. Benson Baker, BVI; daughter Betsy (Dennis) O'Sullivan, Alpharetta; and granddaughters Lindsey O'Sullivan and Madeline O'Sullivan, both of Alpharetta. David served in World War II as a Physical Therapy Technician; while stationed at Fort McPherson, he met his future bride at a USO Dance in Atlanta and married a year later at Peachtree Christian Church. Throughout their marriage, he never missed a day without telling his wife how beautiful she was. His successful real estate career began with Spratlin, Harrington, and Thomas in Buckhead in the early 1950's. In 1960, he became the first Broker to pioneer a real estate office in, what was then, rural Sandy Springs for Northside Realty on Roswell Road and, later, opened David H. Baker Realty in the old First Federal Bank building at 6160 Roswell Road. Beyond his honesty, integrity, and charming disposition, he was a salesman and a family man. In 1960, David's family and four other families were responsible for organizing and starting Sandy Springs Christian Church where he was a deacon and elder for many years. His handsome looks gained him the attention of photographers, resulting in print ads and campaigns for Standard Oil Company, Stone Mountain Park, Quality Inns, C&S Bank, and others during the '60's. As a Rotarian, he was a member

of the Sandy Springs Rotary Club, garnering the Club's Outstanding Club Service Award in 1978/79 and being named Rotarian of the Year in 1979/80. In the early 1980's, David was responsible for organizing the start-up of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody for which a yearly club service award is presented in his honor. David was proud to be a Paul Harris Fellow and cherished his years in Rotary. The Baker family will receive friends on Wednesday, November 13 from 6-8 pm at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors in Roswell. A graveside service will be held at 2 pm on Thursday, November 14 at Arlington Memorial Park in Sandy Springs. In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, 14280 Collections Center Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60693 in David's name.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **13.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

NOV **14.** 2:00 PM.

Graveside

Tribute Wall



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“ *You were an inspiration to us all, David. Your Rotary family rejoices in your life and will long remember the leadership and lessons you gave to us.
You are missed.*

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