



Wayne Robert Baker

June 19, 1946 - December 19, 2022

Wayne Robert Baker, 76, of Delmar passed away on Monday, December 19, 2022, at Lakeside at Mallard Landing in Salisbury, where he had resided for the past several years.

He was born on June 19, 1946, in Salisbury, a son of the late Mar Elia (Walker) Baker and Robert Benjamin Baker.

Wayne graduated from Delmar High School with the class of '65. After attending Concord College in West Virginia, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. After his discharge from the Army, Wayne returned to his beloved town of Delmar. His strong work ethic and love for people helped him find great success throughout his career as he worked in surveying for the Delaware State Highway Administration. From there followed a career in the loan department at the Bank of Delmarva. He then went to work in sales and customer service with Koppers' Lumber Co. in Salisbury, and finally worked several years at Delmarva Power, from where he retired.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Salisbury and often attended Nelson's Memorial United Methodist Church in Hebron, where he will be remembered for his help with the sweet potato biscuit ministry. He was also a member of the Delmar VFW Post 8276 and the Delmar Lodge #201 A.F. & A.M. and a 32nd degree Scottish Rite, Salisbury. He was also a faithful member of the Salisbury Gun Club and supportive of law enforcement, and a wonderful friend of the Delmar Police Department, where he delivered

numerous pounds of coffee and dozens of donuts through the years. Wayne was an avid reader, history buff and History Channel lover. For several years he was very involved with CB radio activities. Wayne also loved the outdoors and fishing was a favorite hobby. He was a self-proclaimed pen aficionado, adored file folders and was one of the most organized men there ever was. After retirement, Wayne loved his morning Panera Bread ritual with son, Ben, and old friends. Wayne cherished his only granddaughter, Keirsten, who will miss lunch dates and texting with him every day. He will be remembered by many for his love for people, his warm smile, sense of humor and his affection for his "Grand-dogs."

He is survived by his son, Benjamin J. Baker (Kimberly) of Delmar; granddaughter, Keirsten T. DeBoer (William) of Fruitland; former wife and friend, Dorothy E. Baker; and his brother, Allen Reustle (Connie) of Delmar. He is also survived by several cousins and close friends.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the many caretakers and staff at Lakeside at Mallard Landing, Amedisys, and Salisbury Aquacare.

A visitation for family and friends will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on Wednesday, December 28, 2022, and also from 10:00 to 11:00 am on Thursday, December 29, 2022, at Short Funeral Home in Delmar. A Masonic service will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by a funeral service. The Reverend Dr. James T. Fox, Jr. will officiate. Interment with military honors will follow in St. Stephens Cemetery in Delmar.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to DAV by visiting www.secure.dav.org or to the Wounded Warrior Project by visiting www.support.woundedwarriorproject.org.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Stephen's Cemetery

State Street
Delmar, DE 19940

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **28**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525
info@shortfh.com

Visitation

DEC **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wayne Robert Baker*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *It is with regrets that I cannot be at the funeral. Wayne and I were both at Lakeside and had three meals a day there. We became very good friends and I am going to miss him. I hope to see Ben in the near future to personally convey by condolences. I named him the General and I was his aide-de-. He was a proud Veteran and American. R.I.P. my friend.*

Ronald Sawyer - December 29, 2022 at 09:43 AM

JH

I am so very sorry Of Wayne's passing. He was a classmate and a good person.RIP Wayne

Joanie Barrall Hoey - January 03, 2023 at 06:36 PM

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“ *So sorry for your Loss.
Here is my prayer for you
Bless those who mourn, eternal God, with the
comfort of your love that they may face each
new day with hope and the certainty that
nothing can destroy the good that has been given. May their
memories become joyful, their days enriched with friendship, and
their lives encircled by your love. In Jesus' name Amen 🙏🙏🙏🙏*

🙏 Audrey & Bert Hardy



Audrey hardy - December 26, 2022 at 08:40 AM

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“ *Bryan, Debbie, Jack and Will Kaputa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wayne Robert Baker.*



Bryan, Debbie, Jack and Will Kaputa - December 22, 2022 at
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