



## Robert L. Baumgardner

March 1, 1934 - January 28, 2023

Robert L. Baumgardner, age 88, of Hobart, IN, formerly of Merrillville, IN, passed away on January 28, 2023. He was a graduate of Garrett High School in Garrett, IN - Class of 1951, undergraduate at Manchester College – Class of 1955, Masters at Ball State University – Class of 1961. Robert was vice principal, teacher, and a guidance counselor with Merrillville Community Schools from 1966-1997. He was affiliated with Moose Lodge No. 783 in Hobart. Robert was preceded in death by his parents: Nolan and Esther Baumgardner and his special friend, Shirley Alderson. He is survived by his daughter, Cheryl (Steven) Zubel of Hobart; granddaughters: Meredith (Michael Jahanian) Zubel of Portland, Oregon and Taryn (Jairo) Sanchez of Merrillville; former wife, Aileen Baumgardner of North Fort Myers, FL. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Jerry Reinhart Music Scholarship or Merrillville High School Choir Boosters. A visitation will be held on Thursday, February 2, 2023, from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. The funeral will be held on Friday, February 3, 2023, at 10 a.m. at Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point. Deacon Steven Zubel officiating. Interment at Historic Maplewood Cemetery, Crown Point. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Maplewood Historic Cemetery

347 Maple Ln  
Crown Point, IN 46307

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 2. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## funeral

FEB 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I'll never forget the day Mr B. handed my son his diploma. He put him in a headlock and rubbed his head. Told my son Jim Price I knew you could do it. You will be missed. Rest in Peace.

Carol Medlik - February 04, 2023 at 01:30 PM

NH

“ I remember him as having a good sense of humor and yet could be very objective and could teach with great detail and with a calm demeanor. Good guy.

Nile Howe - February 02, 2023 at 10:17 AM

LS

“ Laura Sheridan lit a candle in memory of Robert L. Baumgardner



Laura Sheridan - February 01, 2023 at 11:19 PM

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“ this is one of my great memories of a super boss / family Bob and i worked together for years and he was a wonderful man and friend to me.



Laura Sheridan - February 01, 2023 at 11:07 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Robert L. Baumgardner.*



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February 01, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *Mr. B was a great teacher, and a friend to all of his students with care and compassion and an awesome sense of humor. our ninth grade class went on a field trip to enchanted forest in Chesterton Indiana and I'm glad I had my camera with because I got a lot of nice photos of the teachers as well, including this candid shot of Mr. B. it seemed as if he lived a great life and to the fullest my prayers and thoughts are with the family always and may he rest in peace in gods hands.*



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**Kevin Shaver** - January 31, 2023 at 04:44 PM



*Great guy , great teacher . Had many great moments with him in his classroom , he was always fair and honest !*

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**Robert Pochop** - February 01, 2023 at 09:29 PM