



S. Oliver Baker

January 27, 1918 - March 24, 2009

Savanarola Oliver Baker, born in Oregon City, Oregon on January 27, 1918. Born in the Church his Father built and pastored before him. Named after an Italian Monk, Savanarola. Martyr for his spiritual beliefs regarding Jesus Christ. He pastored till he was into his eightys.

Married to Lillian M Baker July 15, 1938. He and his wife Lillian M Baker, had 5 children, Myrna Lee Baker, deceased after living 2+ years, Andrew C Baker III, Marcee L Hammang, Karlee A Naranjo and Lana M Baker. With 11 grand children: Bernie O Baker, Sheri L. Kuretich, Timothy A Baker, Andrew C. Baker IV, Desiree C. Baker, Lois I Roberts, Jodee L Hammang-Burgoynes, Randy A Naranjo, Kimberly A. Bailey, Tyer Wiedewitsch, Trever Wiedewitsch, and great "grands" he would say: Jordon, Lindzee, Danielle, Brenton, Rachelle, Rochelle, Ryan, James, Addison, Ashlee, Emilee, Kelcee Beth, Jayden.

He has one sister still living, Gladys Vandenberg. She was the baby of his family and lives in Colorado. His Oldest sister, Laverne Galley and his only brother, Andrew C Baker II, both deceased many years ago.

He came from pioneer stock, his Mother's Mother came across the country in a covered wagon, to Oregon.

Christ Church Apostolic is one of the oldest churches in Oregon City.

Which his Father, Andrew Clark Baker founded and built. Oliver Baker, carried on the work at this church and participated to some degree until his death.

Some of his interests and loves were, playing the violin, fishing, hunting, cooking for his family, always including his children in trips, going out to wonderful restaurants. places of interest, ALWAYS bringing the joy, fun, laughter, generosity and never meeting a stranger!

He loved God and was an orator extraordinary, incredible vision and knowledge of Jesus Christ and messenger ahead of his time.

As the leader of the Baker Clan, he will be sorely Missed! We know that he may be missing from our circle and yours, but he is still with us in our hearts.

His humor, devotion, love, generosity and his own humanity, his faith, his faults and failures and his willingness to take ownership and move forward, speaks volumes to his personal growth, and will be with us always.

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Events

MAR **Visitation** 12:00PM - 05:00PM

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Hillside Chapel

1306 7th Street, Oregon City, OR, US

Comments



“ We will miss you Grandpa Baker!

Randy, Gina & Emilee Naranjo - March 31, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ May You now rest in peace. My prayers to the Family

Frances Farmer - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Papa, Thanks for the memories. I'll see you in the morning. I Love You Worlds Full.

Andrew C. Baker III - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana and family,

The staff at Ginny's Place has you in our thoughts during this difficult time. May the light of the memories you carry pull you through the hardest moments of this loss.

Sarah Meinel

Sarah Meinel - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana and family,

I was sorry to hear of your Dad's passing, but celebrate with you as he enters his eternal home. Lana, I only knew you Dad through listening to you talk with him. What I know for sure is that he had to be someone very special!

Jan Lamer - March 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Our parents are so special, and it's difficult to lose them. My mother was also born in 1918, and my father in 1916. May the God of all comfort give you peace.

Trish Lanser - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Take care, remember the love, smiles and laughs. Be together and hold each other
Love Misty

Misty Burlingame - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana and family, May you find strength in your faith, comfort in God's love, and peace in knowing your friends are praying for you. I wish I was their to give you all hugs.

Rachel Nykerk - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Lana and family, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

"memories keep those we love close to us forever"

Pam & Steve Kalkman - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I am unable to make it to the service today. However, at church this morning the place was full of the Holy Spirit and I know grandpa was there.

He would have enjoyed the service. It really moved me. At the end of the service they sang a blue grass version of the old hymn "I'll Fly Away". While I am not sure I am almost positive this is a song that was done many times at grandpa's church. It seemed a very fitting song.

I have such wonderful memories of him as a pastor. Full of energy, passion and humor. Pacing and wiping the sweat from his forehead. He had a great laugh and he laughed often. He has been and will continue to be a real blessing to me in my walk with the Lord.

Bernie Baker - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I just want you to know, that I am thinking of you all and praying for a peace that will help your family through the next few hours. Cling to each other and the faith that gets us all through times of trial and sadness.

Marcia Wirth - March 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Some of the only memories I can remember of being a kid in Oregon are because of this man, Being chased around the room by Him with his dentures chomping at us, we thought it was the funniest thing. He always had the best sense of Humor, Even the time we spent with him last summer, he still had a little spunk left in him. All who had the privilage to get to know Oliver walked away with a smile. He Lived a long and full life and when it came to the end of his time he was able to go peacefully, knowing that he gave everything he had to live for the one reason we are here. We will all miss you soo much!
Till the we meet again.
Love Trevor

Trevor Wiedewitsch - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Marcee and Family, we send our love and prayers for you at this time. You are a precious and wonderful friend Marcee and we know it is in part a reflection of the love and generosity that your father brought into this world. Thank you for sharing who he was and who you are. Bless you!

The Green Family - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Marcee,
Fredia just informed me of your father's going home to the Lord. My prayers are with you and your family.
Sincerely,
Michelle

Michelile Laprade - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ The family will always be in my heart, you were there in my time of need and sorrow. I will always love you.

From a long time friends of Marcee and Larry.
Peace be with you and the family.

Fredia Gibson

Fredia M. Gibson - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ We were fortunate to have Oliver share his life with us. When I was a child he kinda scared me, but he always smelled so good! We will all miss him, his sense of humor and his deep, abiding love for his God and his family.

Don and Joan Terry - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Lana,

This past year, i came to know you because of the wonderful letters you would send about my mom. in so doing, i came to know through your blog of your parents, your family, your friends, jayden, and everything positive in one of the most wonderful people God has created (with the help of the two wonderful parents and family he gave you, no doubt). I am sorry for your loss, but happy that your Dad is in his permanent home in the arms of our heavenly father. time passes and every day as we go forward, we look back and find new surprises. God's surprises are always wonderful. Take care, God bless, be strong, and stay faithful. love also to your mom and siblings:)

Mona Gonzalez - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Gary and Cathy Jackson - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ During my childhood as long as I can remember you where always there for me.It those times will never forget.My mother Lana says I take alot after You and I can see that. God has a plan for all of us and i Belive u did what His plan Was . You will be missed Love U always and forever. May You look over us In Love. Tyler Wiedewitsch

Tyler Wiedewitsch - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana,

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Know that your family is in my prayers. I will pray for peace for the family. I know he is in a better place! Breakfast with Jesus must be an amazing thing for him . Take comfort in knowing that you will be with your father again, but in a much better place! Much love to you my friend!
Karin

Karin Greenwood - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Grandpa, I think of you and I smile, your fun spirit, the ease of your laugh, the amazing hats you would wear, always looking so sharp, you are missed and remembered. My thoughts and prayers are with you and our beautiful family.
Love,
Sheri LaVern

Sheri LaVern Baker - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana and the Baker family,

I am very sorry to hear of your lost! But, reading about your Dad I have a feeling God is thrilled to have him home.

We are praying for you. Becki

Becki Sumrall - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Thinking of all of you at this time

Amanda Weenum - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I did not know Mr.Baker personally but from the memorial and picture he must have been quite extraordinary
by God's grace. I am sorry for your loss as a family. As you said he will surely be missed.My special condolences to Lana who I know here in Michigan.

Al Stolz - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!

Betty Gwillim (Hutchcraft) - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Lana and Baker Family,
I met Lana through Victory Point Church Life Group last year. It has always been apparent how much love she has for her Father and Family. I personally never met Mr. Baker, but through Lana I know I have meet parts of him, joy, laughter, devotion, strength and love for God. What an inspiring life he has lived. My deepest sympathy goes out to Lana and her family and I will keep you all close to my heart.
My deepest sympathy from MI,
Katie Malmstadt

Katie Malmstadt - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana, Your father sounds like he was a wonderfull person. My prayers are with you and your family.
Lucy

Heather Langejans - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Aunt Lillian and all my cousins, I am sorry that I cannot be with you on Sunday. I trust my mom and dad will give you all a hug for me. Unlce Oliver loved being with his family and I will always remember the sparkle in his eyes when we were all together.
love you all, Ronda

Ronda Huffines (Hornsby) - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ The mortal has put on IMMORTALITY!! He will be fondly remembered--XOXO, your
Lil' Anda

Andrew C. Baker IV - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so glad that I got to meet this wonderful, funny man before he passed away. :) I want to send thoughts of sympathy and support to all of you, as you begin your journey without him here on earth. The good news is, we can share comfort in knowing that he is no longer suffering but in a wonderful place! My thoughts and prayers are with each and everyone of you through this difficult time.
Love,
Courtney Jo

Courtney Rogers - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Lana and family: The picture of your husband, father, brother in relationship with God - the full love for one another, as intended for us - is so beautiful. Imagining the celebration greeting he experienced, while understanding the accompanying sadness for you; I pray you are sent comfort and peace during this time. Love,
Michelle

Michelle Siterlet - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Reading the bio and as Lana has spoken of him this father, friend, husband and grand-father will be missed, my sympathy to those.

Paula Ter Haar - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana and family. You will be in my thoughts and prayers this week as you mourn your lose and rejoice over your memories together as a family.

Cheryl Hilldore - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy. May God Bless you and keep you and heaven shine upon you.

Regina L. McBride - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana-
Our prayers go out to you and your family in this time of loss. We love you!

Love-
Billy and Jaci Lowther
VP friends

Billy and Jaci Lowther - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana and Family,
Keeping you all close at heart this weekend. Between memories, saddness, laughter and tears... all the emotions, may you feel God's peace and presence close to you! What a wonderful greeting your father must have received when he met Jesus. Something we can all look forward to.
Love, Missy

Missy VanderPloeg - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Lana (and Boys),

Sorry for your loss (but excited for Jesus' gain!). After reading the "obit" - what a cool guy! I know you all will miss him. Praying for strength, peace and God's presence during this time for you and your family. You are in my thoughts.

Matt Yount

Matt Yount - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Lana and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.
All my love to you.

Kathi O'Connor - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I extend my sympathy to the entire Baker family. I am friends with Lana and Trevor back in Michigan. I never met Oliver, but I feel like I knew him because reading his life story was like reading about Lana or Trevor. May the Lord give you peace during this sad time.

Pam Evenhouse - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ friend of Lana

Michele Peterson - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ As a friend of Lana's from Michigan, I offer my deepest sympathy to all of you. In reading his obituary, he was obviously a wonderful person. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. May you cherish all your wonderful memories of him.

Pam DeWitt - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I am a friend of Lana in Michigan. After reading his lifestory, I am in awe, what a testimony to the Lord his life must have been. Now to know he is home with his Heavenly Father. May our Lord bless you and provide you with the peace that passes understanding.

Cathy Adams - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I keep all of Lana's family in my prayers for comfort and peace, and remember with great joy all the memories of their loved one.

Kathy Bruins - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs Baker and family. I live in Portland but know sweet Lana through family connections in Michigan.
I am glad to know he found his way home to Jesus in a peaceful way and the Family can celebrate all of the lives he touched over his 91 years on earth. Peace be with you

Carol Nykerk - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ As you frequently said to us, Oliver, God love you, and He loved you more than most. You were a wonderful neighbor, a fine father figure, and one of the most upstanding human beings I have ever had the privilege of knowing. God speed, Oliver.

Theresa and David Nichols - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr Baker had been a very huge influence in my life as we knew each other my entire life. He will be sorely missed by his family and friends but he has earned his right of passage into Heaven to be with the Lord that he lovingly taught of for so many years. My condolences to Ms Lillian and the family.
Love, Steve Setera

Steve Setera - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Baker Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. All though I did not personally know Mr. Baker, Lana has told me so many wonderful stories of her father and all of her family!
Lana is a wonderful person and we all love her very much! May all of your wonderful memories help you through this rough time.
My god bless each and everyone of you.
We love you Lana,
Bonnie and Annie Salinas

Bonnie salinas - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM