



George Bobalik

February 17, 1924 - July 17, 2015

George Robert Bobalik, a long-time resident of Kankakee, passed away Friday (July 17, 2015).

He was born Feb. 17, 1924, in Whiting, Ind.

George was one of six children, three of whom have preceded him in death.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind. In 1943, he joined the U.S. Navy, and completed Hospital Corpsman School. During World War II, he worked as a pharmacist on the U.S.S. Neshanic. After being honorably discharged from the Navy in 1946, George attended the University of Notre Dame, receiving his Master of Science in parasitology degree.

George married Mary Kramizeh in 1956 and moved to Kankakee. Together they raised five children, Geri, Peter, Julia, Joseph and Anthony. They also had a baby, Thomas, who preceded George in death.

He worked for 37 years as a research scientist for Armour Pharmaceuticals, (now CSL Behring) in Bourbonnais. He was awarded a patent for his discovery work on microbial control in water systems. After his retirement, George and his wife remained in Kankakee until his recent move to the Illinois

Veterans Home in Manteno.

George was a member of the Knights of Columbus for many years, and was a very active member of his parish, St. Martin of Tours in Kankakee. He was an avid gardener and enjoyed traveling in his early retirement, and attending annual reunions with his Navy buddies from the U.S.S. Neshanic.

Surviving are his wife of almost 60 years, Mary; and five of his children, Geraldine (Jim) Macdonell, of Hillsborough, N.J., Peter Bobalik, of Greensboro, N.C., Julia and (Charles) Carey, of Madison, N.J., Joseph Bobalik, of Aurora, Colo., and Tony and (Karen) Bobalik, of Chicago; 13 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial Mass will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, Kankakee.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Memorial Mass

AUG **15**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church
953 S. 9th Avenue
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-7177

Tribute Wall

HJ

“ *Hugh Janda lit a candle in memory of George Bobalik*



Hugh Janda - December 18, 2015 at 12:51 PM

HJ

So sad too just hear of your loss. Memories of my youth came flooding back. And fond memories of the Bobalik family came to mind.

Hugh Janda - December 18, 2015 at 12:54 PM

DL

“ *We are praying for all of you. May the memories keep them close.*
Love,
The Lyon family



Donna Lyon - July 29, 2015 at 07:39 PM

LS

“ *Mary and Family, My sympathy for your loss. George was a great person. we both worked at armours for years. we enjoyed socializing often with the Armour exec. club.
I visited a few times with George at Miller, and his goal was to return to Mary and home .
George was truly dedicated to every thing he undertook. He was very devoted and faithful to his faith and our lord. We no longer have to pray for him, but now to him.
It was a pleasure and honor to know him.*

Larry Skelly

Larry Skelly - July 25, 2015 at 01:01 PM

RF

“ *To The Bobalick Family:*

So sorry for your loss. Letting you know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

May God's comfort, love, peace and protection be with you always.

*Ed and Rose Flor
Chicago, IL*

Rose Flor - July 23, 2015 at 09:16 PM

JB

“ *Dad I know you are looking down on all of us especially Mom. Let her know she can let go and be with you and her family.
Love Joe.*

Joe Bobalik - July 22, 2015 at 03:07 PM

LA

“ Laurie Anderson lit a candle in memory of George Bobalik



Laurie Anderson - July 22, 2015 at 06:09 AM

KB

“ Karen Flesner Bobalik lit a candle in memory of George Bobalik



Karen Flesner Bobalik - July 21, 2015 at 10:10 PM

PZ

“ Mrs. Bobalik and family...

I read the sad news today regarding Mr. Bobalik's passing. I will always remember how neat and tidy he kept his yard and his garden when I was growing up. I also recall how he would light up and smoke a big cigar while he was cutting the grass. Those were good days with good neighbors.

My sincere thoughts and prayers are with ALL of you at this most difficult time.

*Paul Ziemer,
WA state*

Paul Ziemer - July 21, 2015 at 09:30 PM

CW

“ *Christopher Wilcox lit a candle in memory of George Bobalik*



Christopher Wilcox - July 21, 2015 at 01:11 PM