



## Gordon Eugene Baack

November 15, 1936 - February 4, 2018

Gordon Baack, 81, of Clear Lake, Iowa, passed away on Sunday, February 4, 2018, at Oakwood Care Center in Clear Lake.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, February 16, 2018, at 3:30pm at Memorial Park Cemetery in Mason City, Iowa. Memorials may be directed to the charity of one's choice.

Gordon Eugene Baack was born on November 15, 1936, to August and Elsie (Penkert) Baack. He was baptized and confirmed in the Christian faith. He attended the Iowa School for the Deaf in Council Bluffs. He held various part-time jobs during his adult life and lived with his mother until her passing in 1988. Gordon was very close to his sister-in-law, Janet Baack, who served as his caregiver from the time of his mother's passing until he became a resident of Oakwood Care Center in 2010. Gordon enjoyed riding his bicycle, watching TV, cheering for the Iowa Hawkeyes, and playing cards, bingo, and other games. He most enjoyed spending time with his family – and his “extended family” at Oakwood. Even though Gordon was deaf and mute, it never hindered his ability to make friends and brighten others' days with his big smile and a thumbs up.

Gordon is survived by several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant sister; and brothers, Howard Baack and his wife, Alida and Dorance Baack and his wife, Janet.

Gordon's family would like to thank Dr. Tracy Mixdorf and the staff of Oakwood Care Center for the care, love, and compassion they extended to Gordon.

# Cemetery

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## **Memorial Park Cemetery**

11495 265th St.

Mason City, IA, 50401

# Comments

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“ We always loved going to see Gordy at the Oakwood Care Center. He brought JOY to so many people, and was loved by so many. He always had a smile for everyone. Because of the staff at the Oakwood Care Center, Gordy enjoyed being there. We will miss him a lot, and will remember the fun times we spent with him.

Harlan and Marge Baack.



**marge baack** - February 06, 2018 at 10:52 PM



“ I remember visiting Great Grandma Baack and Gordy when we were all little kids. I remember sometimes the elevator worked and sometimes we had to take the stairs. I remember we always asked Grandma to turn on the lava lamp and just stare at it. I remember Gordy would come home from work and was always very excited to see us and he would always mess with my Dad. I remember Grandma would always give us some cookies and our mother would always limit the amount so Gordy would always sneak me extra ones. Seems like such a long time since I've seen him.....Rest in Peace Gordy

Jim Baack

**Jim Baack** - February 07, 2018 at 11:05 AM



“ Some of my favorite memories of my Uncle Gordy were at my Grandma Baack's home with him trying to teach us how to sign the letters and words with him. Also my aunt ajanet teasing him about how much he smoked and how bad that was for his lungs. He was always such a joyful, helpful uncle to be around. I have that smile etched in my heart. Rest In Peace, Uncle Gordy.

Marilyn (Baack) Smith

**marilyn smith** - February 07, 2018 at 08:14 PM