



## John Walter Baker

July 21, 1964 - September 27, 2023

John Walter Baker, 59, husband of Amy Curtis Baker, passed away Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at his home in Jackson, KY. He was born July 21, 1964 in Jackson to the late Walter Baker and to Rebecca Herald Baker. An avid outdoorsman, hunter, & fisherman, John loved being out in the natural world. He spent his career as a longtime educator with Breathitt County Schools. In addition to his wife Amy Baker & mother Rebecca Baker, he is survived by: sons Tyler Baker, Chandler (Natasha) Baker, Zachary Rice, & Sawyer Baker; daughter Lauren (Neil) Underwood; grandchild Blake Underwood and soon-to-arrive granddaughter Underwood coming in October; and special aunt Nettie Turner. In addition to his father Walter Baker, he was preceded in death by brother Charles Leslie Baker. Funeral services will be held at Breathitt Funeral Home in Jackson at 2:00PM on Saturday, September 30 with Bryon Spencer, Kenneth Childers, and Bro. Paul Turner officiating. Visitation will be held on Saturday from 10:00AM until 2:00PM. Burial will follow the service at the Squire-Turner Cemetery in Jackson with Jeremy Hall, Marty Hayes, Doug Gay, Tyler Baker, Zachary Rice, Chandler Baker, & Bobby Howard serving as pallbearers.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Breathitt Funeral Home  
409 KY 15  
Jackson, KY 41339

## Funeral Service

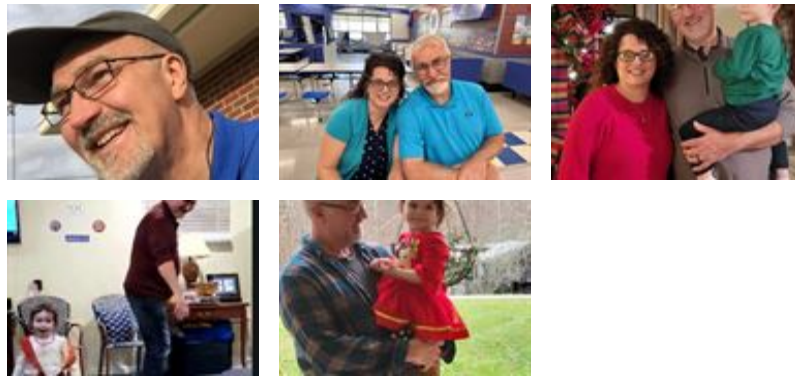
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# Tribute Wall



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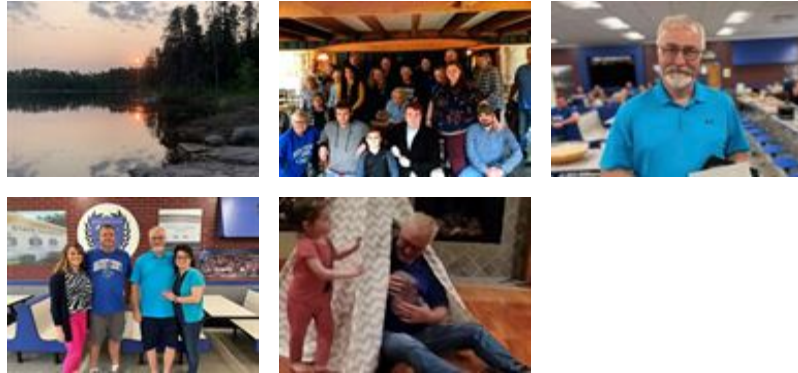
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Wells Funeral Home - September 29, 2023 at 02:45 PM



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Wells Funeral Home - September 29, 2023 at 01:14 PM

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“ Irton Sparkman lit a candle in memory of John Walter Baker



Irton Sparkman - September 29, 2023 at 10:29 AM

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“ I remember John as a fine man, teacher, and coach. He will be missed by all who had the good fortune to have known him. Rest in God's arms, John.

Irton Sparkman - September 29, 2023 at 10:29 AM

CB

“ I have known John for quite a number of years in his role as a cross country and track coach. We shared a trusted comraderie and respect for each other, our common caring about our athletes, and a sincere desire to see them achieve their best. Many a conversation about our sport, faith in God and about life itself - in and around our coaching responsibilities. I was already missing him this fall XC season. I will miss him more. God help encourage and comfort his family and all who loved and respected him. .

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**Coach Jamie Brunk** - September 28, 2023 at 09:56 PM

HB

“ This past year, Mr. Baker was my fifth period American History teacher. Mr. Baker told my Dad at a Breathitt basketball game this past year that no matter how boring of a subject he was teaching was, I was always paying attention. That was because Mr. Baker had such an amzing, magnetic personality and teaching style that he made anything we were learning interesting. Every single day, I looked forward to Mr. Baker's class. He was and still is one of my favorite teachers.

*I was heartbroken to hear the news yesterday evening and it's still shocking to me. I loved Mr. Baker and I honestly have not met a kid who did not like him. Just a couple weeks ago, I was thinking about Mr. Baker and how much I missed having him as a teacher.*

*I send my condolences to Amy, Sawyer, and the whole family. We all loved having you as a teacher, Mr. Baker. We're thinking about you and your family. Everybody around school has been talking about your class and all of our memories in the "schoolhouse of miracles." We miss you, Baker, and we always will.*

*Sending my love and condolences...  
Hunter Barrett*

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**Hunter Barrett** - September 28, 2023 at 09:11 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Walter Baker.



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September 28, 2023 at 08:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Walter Baker.



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September 28, 2023 at 05:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Walter Baker.

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