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**Richard D. Baker Jr.**

Richard Dexter Baker Jr., of Verona, died Monday, Nov. 21, 2016. He was the beloved husband of 65 years of Anne Eisaman Baker; father of Richard Dexter Baker III, of Islamorada, Fla., Meg Baker Ownbey (Tom), of Atlanta, Ga., and the late Susan Dunstan Baker; and grandfather of Morgan Stiles Ownbey (Caitlyn) and Porter Akins Ownbey. Mr. Baker was a 1943 graduate of Shady Side Academy and was appointed to the United States Merchant Marine Academy, where he spent a year in the North Atlantic, and graduated in 1946 as an Ensign USNR and Third Officer of the Maritime Service. Upon his discharge, he continued his education at Williams College. Following graduation from Williams in 1949, he went to work for the Pittsburgh Coke and Chemical Co. that later merged with Shenango Inc. He retired in 1986 as manager of coke, iron and by-product sales. He was a member of the American Iron & Steel Institute, American Coke and Chemicals Institute, American Foundrymen's Society and director of Lockhart Iron & Steel Co. Mr. Baker was an active member of Shadyside Presbyterian Church since 1938, serving the church as deacon, elder, trustee and church treasurer.

Friends will be received one hour prior to a 2 p.m. memorial service Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, in Shadyside Presbyterian Church.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Verland Foundation, 212 Iris Road, Sewickley, PA 15143, Shadyside Presbyterian Church, 5121 Westminster Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15232 or a charity of one's choice . Arrangements are by JOHN A. FREYVOGEL SONS INC., [www.freyvogelfuneralhome.com](http://www.freyvogelfuneralhome.com).

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