Robert J. Baalman, Professor Emeritus of the Department of Biological Sciences, passed away March 16, 2014. He began his career at CSU, Hayward (East Bay) in 1965 and retired in 2000. The following has been provided by his family.

Born on October 28, 1939, Robert Joseph "Bob" Baalman of Quincy, California passed away on March 16th after a battle with lung cancer. He was a parishioner of St. John’s Catholic Church. Bob is survived by Judy, the love of his life and wife of nearly 50 years, as well as their three children: Janet Gates, Joe Baalman and Gary Baalman. Bob will be greatly missed by his siblings, Jim, Tom, Jack, Danny, and Rose. Bob is the beloved grandfather of Lizzy, Elaina, and Caroline Gates; Maddie, Anna, and Henry Baalman; and Dashiell and Eamonn Baalman.

Bob, the son of Frank (d.) and Sally Baalman (d.), was born in his family’s home and grew up in Grinnell, Kansas. After graduating from Fort Hays State University of Kansas with bachelor’s and master’s degrees, he received a Ph.D. from the University of Oklahoma. Bob started his career as a high school science teacher and then taught at California State University Hayward for 35 years. His classes were enjoyed by thousands of students over the years, and he was a valued colleague and friend.

Bob loved his family, and all of nature, especially fishing, camping, hunting, gardening, reading and telling stories, and he shared all of these loves with whomever he could. His long tales and clever sense of humor will be greatly missed, as will his skill at landing the biggest trout.

A rosary service will be held for Bob at St. John’s Parish in Quincy on April 4th at 6:30PM with a reception to follow. A memorial mass will be held on April 5th at 11AM, also at St. John’s. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the Plumas Health Care Foundation, 1065 Bucks Lake Road, in memory of Robert Baalman.

Information about Bob's Memorial service:

Bob Baalman’s Obituary (click to see online) - will appear in Daily Review Sunday, March 23 and in Plumas Register on Wednesday March 26

Details for dad’s memorial weekend:
Rosary: Friday, April 4th, 6:30 p.m.
Wake after the rosary, details to follow

Memorial Mass: Saturday, April 5th, 11 a.m.

St. John's Church
176 Lawrence St
Quincy, CA 95971

Map: [St. John's Catholic Church](#)

Possible accommodations:

- cute places with full kitchens - 3 cottages open and it fills up fast

[http://www.quincycourtyardsuites.com/rates.htm](http://www.quincycourtyardsuites.com/rates.htm) (all upstairs rooms) (530) 283-1401
- very nice suites - one is a two bedroom with a queen in one room and a king in the other, owner says that she has full availability for the weekend of dad’s memorial

[http://www.chaletviewlodge.com/accommodations/](http://www.chaletviewlodge.com/accommodations/) (mostly upstairs rooms, far away)
- this is in Portola, a 30 minute drive to Quincy (between Reno airport and Quincy)

Pine Hill (ground floor rooms) - quaint, woodsy old-style lodges (530) 283-1670

Ranchito (ground floor rooms) - older hotel, but new carpeting this year (530) 283-2265

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