



## Robert Borgman

April 5, 1930 - October 20, 2012

Robert P. Borgman, age 82, of Storm Lake, Iowa died on Saturday, October 20, 2012 at his home in Storm Lake. Robert Peter Borgman was born April 5, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois the oldest of three children to Andy and Jennie (DeYoung) Borgman. Growing up, he attended school in Chicago where he graduated from Chicago Christian High School in 1947. In 1948, Robert enlisted in the United States Air National Guard where he served his country in the Korean Conflict until he was honorably discharged. Upon his return, Robert attended Central College in Pella, Iowa where he graduated in 1957 with a Bachelors of Science Degree in Biology. He then went on to further his education at Kansas State where he earned his Master's Degree in Plant Pathology and his PhD from Iowa State University in Plant Pathology. On August 31, 1957 Robert was united in marriage to Nancy Niehaus in Albany, New York. Together, they were blessed with three sons: Craig Cain-Borgman, Steve Borgman, and Mark Borgman. Robert was a member of the Nebraska Academy of Science, Iowa Academy of Science, and Gamma Sigma Delta National Research Society. He was also a member of Alpha Psi Omega Fraternity and Sigma Zi. He taught at the University of Nebraska at Omaha for seven years before coming to Storm Lake to teach at Buena Vista College, in 1969. He was a long-time member of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake. While at Buena Vista, Bob started the interim travel program, served as assistant to the president, and participated in the teacher exchange program with Koka College, teaching for one semester in Kyoto, Japan. Upon

retirement from Buena Vista in 1994, Bob received the Cumberland-Tollefson award. Bob especially enjoyed golfing, traveling, cooking, and reading historical non-fiction and fiction. He was an AVID Chicago Cubs fan. Most of all, Bob treasured his family and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Nancy of Storm Lake, Iowa; sons: Craig (Reverend Candi) Cain-Borgman of Emmaus, Pennsylvania; Steven (Verena) Borgman of Houston, Texas; Mark (Kristin) Borgman of Grand Rapids, Michigan; grandchildren: Zachary, Ashley (Jeffrey), Caitlyn, Jenny, James, Nick, Angela, and Andrew; great grandchild, Malcolm; brother: Andrew (Marguerite) Borgman of Crofton, Maryland; many nieces and nephews; extended family and numerous friends. Robert was preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Elaine (Loren) Leeper.