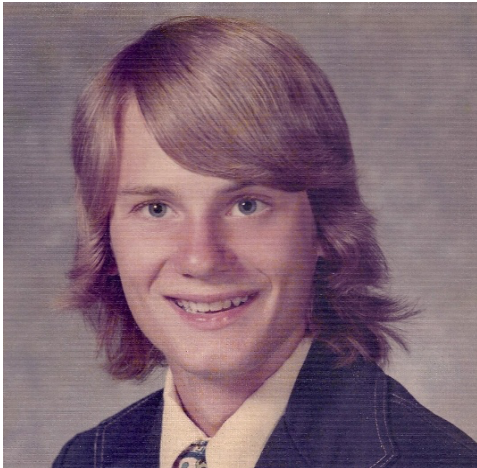


Distinguished Alumni Awards 2015 Durand Area Schools



Roger Baker, Class of 1975



Roger Baker has been selected for the Distinguished Alumni Award for career advancement, dedicated service, and cultural enrichment.

- Grew up on a dairy farm in the Bancroft area and was a highly active and successful student at Durand Schools and graduated in 1975.
- Was nominated by President Obama and confirmed by the Senate to serve as Assistant Secretary and Chief Information Officer for the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, serving in the position from 2008 to 2013.
- Was responsible for the second largest government information technology department with 8,000 people and a \$4 Billion annual budget.
- Has won numerous awards recognizing his service to veterans and to the United States.
- Designated the 2010 Civilian Agency Executive of the Year by Government Computer News.
- Commended in 2010 for Outstanding Achievement in Civilian Government by the AFCEA.
- Received the 2011 John J Frankie Award by ACT-IAC and the 2012 Executive Leadership in Information Resources Management- Civilian Award by AFFIRM.
- Has been a three-time recipient of the Federal 100 Award which seeks to spotlight the people in government, industry and academia who have dedicated themselves to producing outstanding work.