

## Roy Bullington



### 1962 Yearbook Caption:

A.B., M.A., Indiana State  
Canterbury College  
International Relations  
Sociology  
World History  
Boys' Service Club  
Junior Class Advisor

Born: July 10, 1900

Died: April 22, 1990

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## Roy Bullington, was longtime teacher

When Roy Bullington retired from Rocky River High School after 28 years as a history teacher, he received a 22-minute standing ovation from students and faculty at an assembly.

His son, Robert, said that because most of the people applauding were students, it might be expected that they were just stalling so they would not have to go to first-period classes. But he said tears were in his father's eyes and in many other eyes that day in 1965.

Mr. Bullington, 89, died Sunday at the Manor Care Nursing Center in North Olmsted, where he had lived for more than 10 years.

Mr. Bullington, who was chairman of the Rocky River High School history department, "taught from his head, not from the book," said Rocky River Mayor Earl Martin, a former student of Mr. Bullington's.

"He was a good teacher who always had time for you," Martin said. "Nobody ever got out of line with him."

Mr. Bullington served for many years as the Rocky River baseball coach. His teams won two district championships and many conference titles. His best team may have been the one in 1959 that beat a strong team from St. Ignatius High School that included Mike Hegan, who later played for the New York Yankees and Cleveland Indians.

He was a native of Elkhart, Ind.

He graduated from Indiana State Teachers College and taught in Elkhart until he moved to Cleveland in 1948.

Mr. Bullington was a member of Rocky River United Methodist Church and was secretary of the Rocky River Civil Service Commission for 25 years.

Besides his son, he is survived by two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Services will be private.

