



## Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.

November 10, 1954 - July 4, 2016

Rev. Herbert Woods "Woody" Slade, Jr., age 61, passed away suddenly at his home in Flora, Indiana on July 4, 2016. Woody was born in Shelbyville, Kentucky on November 10, 1954, the son of Betty (Ferguson) and Herbert W. Slade, Sr. Woody was raised in Lexington, Kentucky where he was a 1973 graduate of Tates Creek High School, received his B.S. from Transylvania University in 1977 and his Masters of Divinity from Lexington Theological Seminary in 1980.

Rev. Slade served as minister of the Lebanon First Christian Church from 1978-1980; the Evansville Bethany Church from 1980-1987; the First Christian Church of Rensselaer from 1987-2001; the First Christian Church of Rochester from 2001-2009 and was the current minister of the First Christian Church of Flora, serving as minister there since 2009.

On June 17, 1978, in Versailles, Kentucky, Woody married Barbara Smart who survives.

Surviving with his loving wife Barbara is their son, Mark (wife Jody) Slade and four grandchildren, Kristen and Aidan Slade and Steven and Leah Krzan, whom he loved spending time with. He was preceded in death by his parents. Woody became involved in whatever community he resided in, serving as a Cub Scout leader, a member of the Rotary and of the Lions Club. He enjoyed being a member of Community Theatre and was a 24-year member of the Rensselaer Carnegie Players and was currently serving on the Board of Director's. Woody's hobbies included woodworking, playing golf and traveling.

Friends will be received at the First Christian Church of Rensselaer on Friday, July 8, 2016, from 1:00 to 7:00 P.M. CDT. Funeral services will be at the First Christian Church of Rensselaer Saturday, July 9, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. CDT with Rev. Carolyn Reed and Rev. Fred Dorisse officiating. Burial will follow at Weston Cemetery in Rensselaer. Memorial contributions in loving memory of Woody may be made to the Week of Compassion and / or to the Church of the donor's choice. The Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer is handling the arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Weston Cemetery

Weston Cemetery  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5626

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 8.** 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church  
327 N. Van Rensselaer Street  
Rensselaer, IN

## Service

**JUL 9.** 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church  
327 N. Van Rensselaer Street  
Rensselaer, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Webcast in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.*



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - July 09, 2016 at 09:38 AM



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.*



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - July 06, 2016 at 03:07 PM

DF

*Our thoughts and prayers are with Barb and Mark and the family . Woody was our pastor at for fourteen years . He will be missed by his many friends in Rensselaer.*

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**Don and Judy Smith and family** - July 06, 2016 at 09:44 PM

MG

*Barbara - Bob and I both loved Woody and will miss his kind spirit. We are so glad that we got to see you all at the Reflections of Love reunion. We shared so many wonderful memories together of Lafayette Christian Church and Mt. Sterling. Bob's father appreciated the time Woody served with him. Our sympathies and prayers go out to you and all of your family.*

Mary Alverson Grant - July 07, 2016 at 04:08 PM

TM

*I'm so saddened to hear of Woody's passing. He and I were classmates at TCHS 73 but we stayed in touch from time to time. My most heartfelt sympathies to his family.*

Terri Moore - July 12, 2016 at 01:02 AM

JK

“ *So sorry to hear of Woody's passing. He was a great minister and person. I always enjoyed talking to him. I know he'll be terribly missed. You have my sympathy. Judy Koebcke*

judy koebcke - July 11, 2016 at 09:17 PM

DC

“ *we have known the family since our son Chris & your son Mark became friends at RCSC when Chris would hang out at your house we did not have to worry knowing what great friends you were & he would be safe - once we joined Carnegie Players & saw Woody perform, we saw what a ham he really was - Woody had a presence on stage even when he just walked across the stage as the Indian - enjoyed the time we have known him & he will greatly be missed - our condolences to the family*  
*Darrald & Beverly Crynes*

Darrald Crynes - July 07, 2016 at 02:56 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr..*



July 07, 2016 at 02:20 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss, Barb. May God comfort you and your family.*

Jane Ann Morrival - July 07, 2016 at 12:15 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr..*



July 06, 2016 at 08:31 PM



“ *Dianne Malone lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.*



Dianne Malone - July 06, 2016 at 08:27 PM



*Rev. Slade was a very nice man, my father thought very highly of him. He officiated my mothers funeral and later did my fathers. Our family is eternally grateful. Woody will be greatly missed.*

Dianne Malone - July 06, 2016 at 08:50 PM

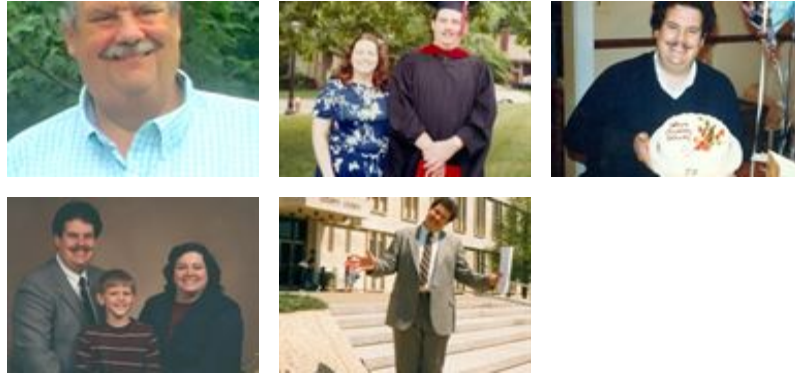
LB

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you Barb , He was always there for us with his kind words. Will always be remembered. God Bless .Jim & Loie Bowers*

Lois & Jim Bowers - July 07, 2016 at 04:44 PM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - July 06, 2016 at 02:59 PM

PB

“ *The Paul Bilyeu family send deepest Sympathy to Barbara+ Mark Woody married both Faith+Julie+ Buried my Folks Marshall+Mildred Bilyeu. Woddie will always be in our prayers+Memory. Woody RIP from Paul+Rosie Bilyeu*

Paul Bilyeu - July 06, 2016 at 02:35 PM

JF

“ *Barbara and family, it has been a long time since I saw you, but you have been in my mind often over the years. I loved you both and the short time we spend together. Woody and you are great parts of my life. I send my sincerest condolences. May the good Lord be with you.*

Julie Floyd - July 06, 2016 at 01:59 PM

JL

“ Jim & Dorrie Lefler lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.



Jim & Dorrie Lefler - July 06, 2016 at 10:48 AM

KD

“ Karen Kelley Dugan lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.



Karen Kelley Dugan - July 06, 2016 at 10:24 AM



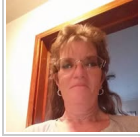
“ We were blessed that Reverend Slade sanctified our marriage 24 years ago. Our sincere condolences to you family.

Donald Templeton - July 06, 2016 at 10:14 AM

ST

“ My deepest sympathy goes to Barbara, Mark and their family on the death of their beloved Woody. He was truly a wonderful person, pastor and friend. I enjoyed and shared many memories with him as I worked beside him many years. He was a great strength to many followers of his ministry and will be greatly missed. May your many friends lift you up in their love, prayers and support as you go through this difficult time.

Sandy Todd - July 06, 2016 at 09:15 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Mom sure missed ya'll when you left Rensselaer.  
Deb Minter Campbell and Lora Widner.



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**Deb Campbell** - July 06, 2016 at 08:24 AM

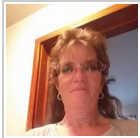


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**Deb Campbell** - July 06, 2016 at 08:21 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Mom sure missed ya'll when you left Rensselaer.  
Deb Minter Campbell and Lora Widner.

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**Deb Campbell** - July 06, 2016 at 08:19 AM



“ So sorry to hear this, he preformed our wedding 27 yrs ago.  
Wonderful man. Thoughts and prayers for you all.

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**Alysia Dickinson Rouse** - July 06, 2016 at 07:12 AM

JH

“ *Janice Hopkins-Malchow lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.*



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**Janice Hopkins-Malchow** - July 05, 2016 at 11:27 PM

JS

“ *Barb and Mark,*

*Bruce and I were so saddened to hear of Woody's passing. He was such a comfort to Jared and I after loosing our parents. I will always remember Woody's joyful attitude for life. Lots of hugs to you both.*



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**Jennifer Hancock Seeloff** - July 05, 2016 at 10:28 PM

MR

“ *Praying that u find comfort in knowing that Woody touched so many people's lives.*



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**margo roberts** - July 05, 2016 at 09:44 PM

 Rose  
Cyphert

“ *Barbara, Mark, Jody, Kristen, Aidan, Steven, and Leah .... Our hearts hurt for all of you. We are so very sorry... may your love and memories for Woody help you through this most difficult time.*

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**Rose Cyphert** - July 05, 2016 at 08:37 PM

RP

“ Barbara and Mark, you both have my deepest sympathy. I was so sorry to hear of your great loss. Many of us remember Woody appearing as an Indian in the Carnegie plays. He will be missed a great deal by many.  
Ruth

Ruth Paulsen - July 05, 2016 at 08:31 PM

RP

“ Ruth PAULSEN lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.



Ruth PAULSEN - July 05, 2016 at 08:25 PM

KI

“ Mark my prayers are with u and ur mother and your children as we say a farewell to a man who helped alot of people over the years. He will greatly missed.



Kim - July 05, 2016 at 08:10 PM

JS

“ So very sorry ....he was such a special man...He married my daughter Paula and Greg in an out door wedding.....before the wedding I told him how much I always want to clap at weddings when the bride and groom turn around and are introduced as Mr. and Mrs. when they turned, he said " ok June....you can clap now" So considerate....such a loss for my whole family.

June Z Simmons - July 05, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ I miss him already. He was the best Uncle there could be. He would play games with us until I know he was tired and then keep going. He always traveled with Aunt Barbara to see us wherever we lived. He always took interest in all of our lives, always. I thank God that my Aunt Barbara met him when I was a baby. He has blessed all our lives.

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**Sheri Denton** - July 05, 2016 at 06:25 PM

DW

“ Doug & Kathy Wilcox lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.



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**Doug & Kathy Wilcox** - July 05, 2016 at 05:53 PM

DA

“ Thinking of you Barbara and Mark. Prayers your way for comfort. Barbara "He was and always will be Your FireCracker"

*Dawn Clawson*



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**Dawn** - July 05, 2016 at 04:51 PM

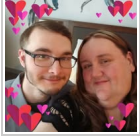
RH

“ Rich & Dale Huhn lit a candle in memory of Rev. Herbert W. "Woody" Slade, Jr.



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**Rich & Dale Huhn** - July 05, 2016 at 04:40 PM



“ *Thoughts and Prayers to the slade family ... he was a great man and will be missed*

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**Amber Rising** - July 05, 2016 at 04:35 PM

TR

“ *Woody was a good man. I am sorry for the family's loss. Peace as you heal.*



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**Teresa Snyder Rishel** - July 05, 2016 at 04:02 PM