



Rev. Keith D. Davis

May 14, 1931 - May 12, 2014

Rev. Keith D. Davis, 82 of Warren, passed away at 9:18 a.m. Monday, May 12, 2014 at The Heart Institute of Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

Keith was born on May 14, 1931, at Gladwin, Michigan to Fred and Faye (Roberts) Davis. He was converted in March of 1945 at 13 years of age during a revival at Bethel Evangelical Association Church. This was his home church that nurtured him in the faith. That night God not only saved him, but called him to the ministry. That night he preached his first sermon using Ezekiel 18:20-21 as his text.

The youngest of six children, Keith graduated from Beaverton Michigan High School. He took college work at Fort Wayne Bible College and his graduate work at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. He married Jeannine Ann Widmark on September 3, 1955. She preceded him in death on December 18, 2002.

Keith served on many district and conference boards and agencies. He was a delegate to 1981 World United Methodist Conference and was an alternate delegate to the 1992 General and Jurisdictional Conference. He served as the United Methodist Church Kokomo District Superintendent and as Pastor at the following churches: Garrett Parish, Butler Center, Cedar Chapel, Meese Chapel, Rehobeth, Concord, Bluffton Epworth, Muncie Avondale, Muncie St. Paul, Lapel Trinity, Kokomo Alto, Peru Main Street, Fort Wayne Trinity and Angola. He has also served as Chaplain for the Indiana State Police since

1973. He was honored with the title of Minister Emeritus by Bluffton Epworth, Lapel Trinity and Fort Wayne Trinity.

He served his Lord and humanity with a sense of purpose and dedication, humor and seriousness, faithfulness and fun, loyalty and love. The following ministers came from churches Keith served: Reverends Justin Fisher, Jerry Stout, Brian Boone, Thomas Steffen and David Terhune.

Keith is survived by a daughter, Sherilee Faye Davis of Fort Wayne, along with his twin sister, Vilroye Meyer of Colfax, Iowa. He is preceded in death by siblings: brothers, Guy Hillman and Jack Davis of Gladwin, Michigan and Rev. Ray Davis of Bippus, Indiana; a sister, Avril Jean Humke of Dubuque, Iowa. At Keith's request, a private burial will take place at Spring Hill Cemetery in Warren, Indiana. There will be a public memorial service celebrating Keith's life Wednesday, May 21, at 10:30 AM, in The Chapel at Heritage Pointe, Warren, Indiana. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to Heritage Pointe Home in Warren. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the direction of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Spring Hill Cemetery

801 Huntington Ave
Warren, IN 46792

Previous Events

Service

MAY 21. 10:30 AM (ET)

The Applegate Chapel at Heritage Pointe
801 Huntington Avenue,
Heritage Pointe
Warren, IN 46792-0326
(260) 375-2201

Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Keith D. Davis*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Keith was the first pastor I really remember. He came to Epworth in Bluffton when I was in 4th grade and I believe was there until my Jr. High years. Many memories of him coming to the Schoeff home for meals and just to see what life was like on the farm. After he left Epworth to go to Muncie, Dick Steffen and I joined the Muncie group at Epworth Forest for church camp. What a great experience. Jeannine even gave us girls a lesson in box elder trees and which ones had the bug on them. (The house was inundated with them in!!) Reconnected again through the years at Epworth homecomings and when he came to Lancaster Chapel to present a program on the Warren Home (now Heritage). And again when he participated in my Mother's funeral. He always seem to have a smile on his face. When his name is mentioned in reliving memories in our family, it is always spoken in love. May all the great memories bring you comfort in the days and weeks ahead.*

Glennis (Schoeff) Henly

Glennis (Schoeff) Henly - May 22, 2014 at 06:05 PM

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“ I have so many important as well as fond memories of Rev. Davis. He worked very hard to include the youth of the church at Bluffton. After going away to college, I and my parents were pleasantly surprised to see him in Muncie. Rev. Davis counseled my husband to-be and me and then presided at our wedding at Avondale Methodist Church in Muncie.

Not many years later, with connections in Lapel, again, we were surprised when Rev. Davis walked into the Lapel Masonic Lodge.

The last time our paths crossed was at Heritage Pointe in Warren when I and an aunt went to have a tour - Keith walked across the lounge - and we again became reacquainted.

My sympathy to his family for their personal loss.

Jean Schmidt Pettigrew

Jean A. Schmidt Pettigrew - May 20, 2014 at 01:07 PM

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“ You always saw Keith with a smile & a sparkle in his eyes. He was interested in people, places, friends & family. He is now with his beloved wife. Nancy Pryor



Nancy Pryor - May 13, 2014 at 10:55 PM