



James Francis Wade

April 11, 1939 - March 9, 2024

James Francis Wade, 84, of Bloomington, Indiana succumbed to cancer in the comfort of his home surrounded by his family on March 9, 2024.

James was preceded in death by his father, James Valentine Wade, his mother, Ellen Steiner Wade, and his brother, Paul Wade.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Ruth Ann; daughters, Debbie (Criss) Beyers, Sandy (Tim) Jolivette, Jamie (Craig) Richards; brother, Donald Wade, and sisters Helen Ann Wade and Dorothy O'Connor; grandchildren, Dara (Damien) Rieger, Crisstopher Beyers, Carter Richards, Austin Jolivette, Ellen Richards, and Rilee Jolivette; and two great-grandchildren.

Jim was a very caring husband, father, and grandfather. Jim was born near Odon, Indiana on April 11, 1939. He graduated from Epsom High School in 1957 and continued his higher education at Vincennes University and Indiana University where he obtained his BS and MS in Education and Education Specialist in School Administration degrees. Jim was a well respected educator and principal from 1959 to 1996.

After retirement, Jim managed The Mother of the Redeemer Farm in Bloomington, Indiana.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00am Thursday, March 14, 2014 at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 2222 East Third Street in Bloomington. Visitation will be 10:00am until service time at the church.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 South Old State Road 37 in Bloomington have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencare.com

The family would like to thank the people at IU Health Hospice for their care and support.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society and the Mother of the Redeemer Retreat Center.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Charles Borromeo Church
2222 E 3rd St
Bloomington, IN 47401-5385
(812) 336-6846

Mass of Christian Burial

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2222 East Third Street
Bloomington, IN 47401

Tribute Wall

HW

“ Jim (Mr Wade at the time) was my 5th grade teacher and was the only male teacher in my 8 years at St Mary's. He later became a client of mine! I would also occasionally run into him at Lowes. I was always glad to see and talk with him. A good man who will be greatly missed. My condolences to the family.

HENRY J WICHMAN - March 12, 2024 at 02:26 PM

DE

“ Dave and I took our son and daughter to "the Farm" for many years - clear back to when Mass was said in a pole barn with a dirt floor and we brought our own chairs. Whenever we saw Jim and Ruth Ann, they were always very welcoming and easy to talk with. The last time we were there, we saw Jim at the Chapel. God bless him and the family and may God grant eternal rest to him. Thank you for the memories and for giving so many people a place of beauty where we can really feel God's presence and feel close to Our Lady.

Dave and Deb Eiserle - March 12, 2024 at 02:13 PM

AF

“ and Lauren/Brad Hughson families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James Francis Wade.



and Lauren/Brad Hughson families - March 12, 2024 at 02:04 PM

AF

“ and Lauren/Brad Hughson families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Francis Wade.

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AO

“ Jim had just transferred to University Elementary when i became his assistant principal. He was a terrific mentor and a kind man to work with. I learned so much from him. My condolences to all his family.



Alice Oestreich - March 12, 2024 at 01:36 PM

CB

“ I will always remember his laugh. Jim, Dave, Rita and I would hang around for hours sharing funny stories and jokes in the early days of the retreat center. His laugh will always stay with me. Rest in peace my friend.

Catherine Baker - March 12, 2024 at 12:21 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Francis Wade.



March 12, 2024 at 10:19 AM

PA

“ Patrick Moore and Mitze Anderson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Francis Wade.

Patrick Moore and Mitze Anderson - March 12, 2024 at 10:19 AM

RL

“ Randy Long purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Francis Wade.



Randy Long - March 11, 2024 at 11:28 PM

RL

“ Randy Long planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Francis Wade.

Randy Long - March 11, 2024 at 11:28 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of James Francis Wade.



March 11, 2024 at 09:25 PM