



Bro. Richard Eric Bowden

November 19, 1967 - August 24, 2018

age 50, of Louisville, passed away Friday, August 24, 2018. He was born on November 19, 1967 to the late Billy and Constance Jo Bowden. During his 31 years of ministry, he served at Shively Heights Baptist Church, in Louisville and North Charleston Baptist Church in Charleston, WV. For the last 20 years he was the senior pastor at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church, in Louisville. He was a graduate of Cumberland College and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He is survived by wife, Linda Bryant Bowden; children, Seth, Micaiah, and Bethany Bowden; sister, Jana Hack (Larry), and Deborah Stowers (Rick); nephew, Jason Hack; nieces, Shannon Messer, and Kaylee Stowers; and brother-in-laws, Ben and Daryl Bryant.

Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM on Saturday, September 1, 2018 at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church, 2120 Lower Hunters Trace, Louisville, KY 40216. Burial will follow at Louisville Memorial Gardens Cemetery West.

Visitation will be from 12 - 9 PM on Friday, August 31, and from 11 – 1 PM on Saturday, both at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to F.L.C.C. Building Fund of Ormsby Heights Baptist Church or Hosparus of Louisville (hosparushealth.org/donate).

Cemetery Details

Louisville Memorial Gardens West

4400 Dixie Hwy
Louisville , KY 40216

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ormsby Heights Baptist Church
2120 Lower Hunters Trace,
Louisville, KY 40216

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SEP 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Service

SEP 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GS

“ *To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. That's what the Bible says and I believe every word written. Pastor Rick Bowden is with our Lord and Savior now. It's what he believed. It's what he taught and preached every minute of the day of his life. My family was so privileged to know this young man. The Lord sent him to North Charleston Baptist Church as a youth pastor and then our Sr Pastor. He was a great mentor to our family. Rick lived what he preached. Rick will always be remembered as the Best!! Our love to the family and to his church. You don't what you've got till it's gone. Someday we will see this saint of God again. Linda and the kids, we love you!!*

gary and Donna Short - September 01, 2018 at 06:23 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bro. Richard Eric Bowden.*



August 31, 2018 at 10:32 PM

SR

“ Hi sweetheart, nothing we can say or do will make this time in life any easier to go through except by God's grace and comfort and peace which I know God gives when we go through pain in our lives. I didn't know him but I know about you and I know he had to be special or you wouldn't have married him! Just sending you my love and prayers through Jesus in this time of pain far as him gone from you literally but just knowing he is in no more pain and suffering and that especially he is with our Lord and Saviour and that we will all be together again 1 day is such a blessing in itself! I also wanted to say I loved your daddy so much, he was my favorite Uncle and always had a hug and a smile for me, I have never forgotten that. When you have a little time on Facebook I would love for you to add me to your friends list. It is Sheila Grizzle Rose. I love you, my health is such right now that I can't travel very far, so I will just send my hugs and love this way! My phone number is 706-625-2605, and sometime in the near future I would love for you to call me and just talk a bit and catch up! If there is anything I can say or help with far as talking give me a ring, but I also know you have your church family and that will also be a blessing for you! Hope to hear a word or 2 soon, love you sweetie!



sheila rose - August 27, 2018 at 07:27 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bro. Richard Eric Bowden.



August 27, 2018 at 01:31 PM

DW

“ Rick was our Sunday School teacher when we started going to NCBC. When he was in J.C. Penney where I worked he would come by and chat. Always had that big smile!
Rick had that unique talent of making you feel like you were the only person in the world when he talked to you. Very charming young Pastor. He led a lot of people to Christ, and we know he will be missed so much.

*David and Trena Withrow
NCBC, Charleston WV*

David Withrow - August 27, 2018 at 11:53 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bro. Richard Eric Bowden.



August 27, 2018 at 10:48 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bro. Richard Eric Bowden.



August 26, 2018 at 02:38 PM

TH

“ Our prayers of peace and comfort for Linda And the children and yourfamily during this time. We love Rick and love you all. The Tina Larabee Howard family..Cumbetland College ..Raleigh NC

Tina Larabee Howard - August 26, 2018 at 12:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bro. Richard Eric Bowden.



August 26, 2018 at 03:53 AM

TS

“ As I sit and read the obituary, I tell myself that you can't be gone, but I know you are. Rick your were the one who lead me to Christ in the sinners prayer. I can't wait to see you again and make up for lost time. On that great day when we the original 7 of SHBC youth group, we can just sit and talk and laugh and spend eternity with all of our friends and family in the presence of God almighty. I miss you and I only regret that I didn't come to hear you preach more than I did and just say hello to you my friend. Our hearts are broken that you left us so soon and so young, but God must have needed you in his garden to be one of his brightest flowers to make it more beautiful. See you later friend.



Sincerely,
Tonya Sweeney

Tonya Sweeney - August 25, 2018 at 04:58 PM