



Mr. Dale Roland Slade

December 10, 1947 - August 21, 2014

Dale Slade of Nanton, Alberta passed away on August 21, 2014 at the High River Hospital at the age of 66 years. Dale is survived by his wife, Vanessa; and sons Vance (Jeanelle) of Fort Saskatchewan, Travis (Janice) of Nanton, Warren (Doris) Ford of Okotoks and Kyel Slade of Calgary; grandchildren Jaycie Slade-Casson, Cassidy, Brooke and Jarett Slade, Brittany, Katie, and Hannah Supina, Brittany Ford, Melissa Yerxa, Lindsay and Stephanie May; brothers Cliff (Diane), Larry (Mariam), Royal Slade and sisters Darla (Dwayne) Smith and Wendy (Dave) Zuehlke. Dale was predeceased by parents John and Helen Slade of Nanton and nephew Garth Slade of Nanton. Dale was born in Calgary prior to moving to Nanton with his family at the age of 10. He graduated from high school in Nanton before attending SAIT and completing his certification as an auto mechanic. Dale worked as a mechanic in Nanton and High River and at the age of 18 began his career as a school bus driver; a career that spanned three generations of families. In July 1969, Dale married his best friend and high school sweetheart, Vanessa Tuttle. Dale and Vanessa farmed and raised their sons while Dale continued to drive bus and ran his own auto mechanic business. Dale was an active volunteer in the community as a hockey coach and served on the board of the Silver Willow Senior's Lodge. Dale was also one of the first members of the Lancaster Society. He worked for the Livingstone Range School Division as a Transportation Coordinator for 20 years until his retirement in June of 2013. When not at work, Dale enjoyed spending time with his family, working in his garden, and

following the “chucks” on the radio. Dale also loved to cook and some of his recipes have become traditional family favorites. Dale leaves behind a legacy of love and family and he will always be fondly remembered and deeply missed by all who knew him.

A Celebration of Dale’s Life was held on Saturday, October 11th at 12:30 p.m. at the Nanton Community Centre.

Memorial Donations can be made to the High River District Health Care Foundation, 560 - 9 Ave SW, High River AB T1V 1B3, www.highriverhealthfoundation.ca. To send condolences and view Dale’s Tribute Page please visit www.lylereeves.com . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403.652.4242.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

OCT 11. 12:30 PM (MT)

Nanton Community Centre
21st Ave & 18th Street
Nanton, AB T0L 1R0 (CA)

Tribute Wall

BQ

“ It was my pleasure to know Dale for many years through our Membership in the Student Transportation Association of Alberta. Dale always greeted me the same way "How's my good friend Barb?!". He made me feel like a million every time I saw him. Dale's dedication and simple straightforward manner reminded me that he truly is the Salt of the Earth.

*Barb Quinn
Past President, STAA*

Barb Quinn - October 09, 2014 at 04:17 PM

CS

“ Dale was an absolute treasure to work with during my years at LRSD Central Office. He always had a laugh and a smile, and was always looking for the best in kids and for kids. I will treasure our fun times together with the LRSD parade float or school bus in a variety of town parades. He was a great guy and will never be forgotten. Our thoughts are with Dale's family during this difficult time.

Carmelle Steel - September 05, 2014 at 03:44 PM

 Julie
Alm-
Shearer

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Van and family at this time. Dale was truly one of the 'good guys'... a pleasure to work with at Livingstone Range, and a true friend. I will miss you, Dale. May you rest in peace.

Julie Alm-Shearer - September 05, 2014 at 03:06 PM

DD

“ My condolences to Vanessa and family, may God give you the strength in this time of sadness.
It was a pleasure to work with my friend Dale when he was my boss. We had many good times and he was always there when I needed him the most. He was a kind and gentle man, soft spoken and a honest person. I remember many cold and snowy mornings when I would call him at 5.30 AM and ask if we should be on the road in white out conditions. Dale would reply: I think we will not run the buses today. He always considered the safety of the children and especially the drivers. I will surely miss him and learned from his good advice, he was much more than my boss, he was my friend. I never ever heard Dale say a bad word about anyone. He was truly a gentleman and will be known for his kindness and compassion. My sympathies to the family.

Don Douglas Bus # 52

Don Douglas - September 04, 2014 at 12:10 PM

BP

“ Barb Pickering lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dale Roland Slade



Barb Pickering - August 29, 2014 at 04:17 PM

BP

So sorry to hear about Dale.thinking about you all.Barb, Les and David Pickering

Barb Pickering - August 29, 2014 at 04:19 PM

MG

“ Dear Vanessa & Family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time. He was a great man.

Marion Goller - August 28, 2014 at 08:08 PM

BN

“ Brian Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dale Roland Slade



Brian Nelson - August 27, 2014 at 09:51 AM

GM

“ Dear Vanessa & family
I was very sorry to hear of Dale's death. He was a wonderful person to work for. Honest, kind, and gracious.

Greg Madill
Nanton, Alberta

Greg Madill - August 26, 2014 at 06:08 PM

VA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of sadness
Val(wright) Robinson



Valerie - August 25, 2014 at 10:17 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Dales passing. He was such a good man. Many memories there.

Norma Smith and family

Norma Grant - August 25, 2014 at 12:48 PM

SU

“ Dear Vanessa & Family- we are so sorry to hear of your loss Dale was a very nice, & well-respected good man.

May God bless you all and give you the strength your family needs to lean on each other & get through this tough time with sincere sympathy

Wayne & Susan Porter

SusanPorter - August 24, 2014 at 06:03 PM

SI

“ Sincere sympathy of the lose of your husband and father ,if you need anything please don't hesitate to call .From Sid and Linda Duthie And Family.

sid - August 23, 2014 at 11:53 AM

MW

“ Morgan And Bonnie Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dale Roland Slade



Morgan and Bonnie Wilson - August 23, 2014 at 09:56 AM

GR

“ *Our sympathy to your family. Hoping that with time your happy memories will help to heal your hearts.*

Glen and Leona Ransom

Glen and Leona Ransom - August 22, 2014 at 05:44 PM

JH

“ *So sorry to hear of Mr. Slades passing. My thoughts are with his family.*

Jennifer Herman - August 22, 2014 at 12:22 PM

BB

“ *Blake & Leslie Boulton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dale Roland Slade*



Blake & Leslie Boulton - August 22, 2014 at 12:13 PM