

Roger Daniel Rhodes | 1943-2014

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Roger Daniel Rhodes, 71, of Bridgeport, died Monday, Nov. 24, 2014, in Decatur. Funeral was Nov. 29 at Cates Street Church of Christ in Bridgeport with Sam Gafford and Scott Strother officiating. Burial was Nov. 30 at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Plain Dealing, La., under the direction of Jones Family Funeral Home in Bridgeport. Pallbearers were Jerry Myers, Wayne East, Eugene Compton, Tom Cook, Beaumont Brown and Richard Stothers.

Roger was born Aug. 25, 1943, in Fort Worth to Anna Merle (Fielder) and Thurman Price Rhodes. He was a retired minister. He attended Fort Worth Christian College and Brown Trail School of Preaching. Roger married Barbara Gleason June 20, 1992, in Cleburne. He was a member of the Decatur Church of Christ, and he enjoyed watching football games, especially TCU.

Roger served as a student missionary in Nigeria in 1964-1965 and supported mission work his entire life. He served as a minister in Cottondale, Lufkin, Dallas, Alvarado, Cleburne and Itasca, as well as in Montgomery, La. He served 12 years as the minister for the Cates Street Church of Christ in Bridgeport and was currently serving as one of the ministers for the Greenwood Church of Christ. Roger will be remembered for his dedicated, consistent and personal walk with the Lord. He was a committed and loving husband, compassionate and kind; he endeared all who knew him with his transparent friendliness and cheerful disposition. He was devoted to meeting the needs of the members of his congregation as long as he was physically able. His goal in life was to “go to heaven and to take as many people as he could with him.”

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Donna (Smith) Rhodes; daughter Carol Jean Rhodes; brothers Royce Rhodes Sr. and Ronald Glenn Rhodes Jr.; and brother-in-law David Smith. He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Barbara Rhodes of Bridgeport; son Ricky Douglas Rhodes and wife, Denise, of Bridgeport; sisters-in-law Charlotte Stewart of El Reno, Okla., and Debbie Tappan of Katy; grandchildren Ryder Rhodes, Zion Rhodes and Skyler Rhodes; and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

Memorials may be made to the mission program at the Decatur Church of Christ, P.O. Box 328, Decatur, TX 76234.