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Obituary

Source 1: "Dr. William R. Sladek Jr. Professor of Ancient History." *York Daily Record*. November 6, 1993.

Local newspaper article that contains Dr. Sladek's obituary.

York Daily Record (PA) - Saturday, November 6, 1993

DR. WILLIAM R. SLADEK JR. PROFESSOR OF ANCIENT HISTORY

FELTON Dr. William R. Sladek Jr., 55, of Felton RD 1, died Friday morning at his home. He was the husband of Janice M. (Hentz) Sladek.

Following cremation a memorial service will be held at a later date. Viewings will be 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at J.J. Hartenstein Mortuary, 19 S. Main St., Stewartstown.

Dr. Sladek was born March 3, 1938 in Chicago. He was the son of Mildred L. (Klebba) Sladek of Felton RD 1 and the late Dr. William R. Sladek Sr.

He was a University of Maryland, Baltimore County campus professor of ancient history for 22 years. He received his Ph.D from Johns Hopkins University in 1974. He was co-director of archaeological digs in Syria for Johns Hopkins University and the University of California at Berkley in the early '70s.

Dr. Sladek also is survived by a son, Michael E. Sladek of Felton RD 1; a brother, Dr. Robert Sladek of Orange Park, Fla.; and a sister, Barbara Wallace of Silver Spring, Md.

Memorial contributions may be made to Towson State University, in care of History Department, 8000 York Road, Towson, Md. 21204. 11-05-93.

Source 2: Sladek, William R. "Inanna's Descent to the Netherworld." PhD diss., Johns Hopkins University, 1974, 290.

Dr. Sladek's dissertation.

"William R. Sladek was born in Chicago, Illinois, on March 3, 1938. He received his B.A. from Maryknoll Seminary. Glen Ellyn, Illinois, in 1960. He then attended Maryknoll Seminary, Maryknoll, N. Y., and received a B.D. in 1964 and a M.Th. in 1965. In the fall of 1965 he entered the Department of Near Eastern Studies, The Johns Hopkins University, and devoted himself to the study of ancient near eastern languages. During this period he also attended classes at the University of Pennsylvania, In 1968 he participated in the joint ASOR-Concordia archaeological excavation of Ta'anach, Jordan, and in 1973 he participated in the Johns Hopkins excavation of Tell-el-Freyy, Syrian Arab Republic. In 1970 he was appointed assistant professor of ancient history at Towson State College, Baltimore, Maryland, where he is still employed. At present he lives on a farm in Crossroads, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Janice, his son, Michael, and his dog, Socrates."