



## **RICHARD OWEN BUSCHO, M.D.**

**Born:** 10/13/49      **Died:** 1/21/07      57 yrs old  
Millbrae, CA

Cause of Death: tragic kayaking accident

Survived by wife: Lisa  
Daughters: Juliane and Olivia

Came to Fortuna, CA 12/88 to join practice with  
Mark Lindenbaum, M.D.

Practice: 3304 Renner Drive, Fortuna  
Accepted position with Pelican Bay State Prison and moved to Oregon March 2004.

**Specialty:** Internal Medicine  
Certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine

**PreMed:** Colorado College, BA 1972

**Internship:** University of Illinois, Chicago 1976-1977

**Residency:** University of Illinois, Chicago 1977-1979

**Medical School:** University of Illinois, Graduated 1976

Assistant Professor of Medicine 1979 - 1983

Chief, Section of General Medicine: 1982 - 1983

Previous licenses: West Virginia and Ohio.

Vice President, Redwood Memorial Hospital Medical Staff: 1988

**Memberships:**  
Humboldt-Del Norte County Medical Society  
California Medical Association  
American College of Physicians

Served:  
Medical Society: Medical Quality Review Committee

Patient letter: 2/3/87:  
*"Dr. Buscho gave more than medical care - he gave himself." "He felt our pain and*

*did everything possible to save my dad and to help us.” “I feel you should know and commend a person who gives so much of himself to his patients. The stress this must put on him must be tremendous. I am thankful that our family was privileged to have him as a physician and friend”.*

#### New Doctor

The Eel River Valley’s already prized medical community has been further enhanced by the recent addition of Rich Buscho.

Buscho quote: *“The very first thing that impressed me was the level of Fortuna’s medical expertise.”*

Notes from article in The Humboldt Beacon, Wednesday, April 29, 1987.....

Dr. Richard Buscho is one of those individuals who has a strong desire to serve people where the need is the greatest.

...originally wanted to be a veterinarian.

Many of his relatives had bee, or were farmers and dairy farmers in Indiana. Many of his summers were spent around farm animals.

...attended the Argon laboratories in Chicago where he was able to do research into DNA replication.

...early in training he had also worked in a Veterans Administration Hospital where he was involved in doing research into the causes and treatment of chronic lung problems. It also gave him an opportunity to do some early work with some anti-viral drugs, which at the time were still in their infancy. Some of his work at the V.A. hospital included doing surveys on some of the problems experienced by veterans returning home from the war in Vietnam (Agent Orange, etc).

....Buscho says that it is a wonderful thing for him to have found a community to work in with a legitimate need for his skills. Also, he says that he feels fortunate to have a great hospital to work in, and a partner which he feels so comfortable with.