



Msgr. Peter P. Dora

April 29, 1941 - June 5, 2017

Msgr. Peter P. Dora, 76, Educator, Pastor and Chaplain, passed away on Monday, June 5, 2017 at Calvary Hospital, Bronx, NY. A Stamford native, he was born on April 29, 1941, the son of Paul and Rose Kmetz Dora. He attended K.T. Murphy Grammar School, St. Mary School and Stamford High School, and was prepared for the priesthood at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield and St. Mary Seminary in Baltimore, Md. He was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Walter W. Curtis on May 20, 1967, at St. Augustine Cathedral, Bridgeport. Always interested in education, after ordination he served as faculty member and spiritual director of Notre Dame Girl's High School in Bridgeport (now Notre Dame High in Fairfield); St. Mary High School in Greenwich, now the home of Greenwich Catholic School; and at the former Christ the King Preparatory School in Southport. He was also spiritual director of the Diocesan College House of Studies, the predecessor of St. John Fisher Seminary. During his years in education, Msgr. Dora assisted at several parishes, including Holy Name of Jesus, Stratford; Christ the King, Trumbull; St. Gabriel, Stamford; St. Thomas Aquinas, Fairfield; and St. Michael the Archangel, Greenwich. In 1973, he was named director of religious education for the diocese. In 1976, Msgr. Dora took a sabbatical to pursue ecumenical studies at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., and at the Woodstock Center at Georgetown University, and he later completed further studies at Fairfield University and at the Monastery of Taize, France. He was appointed director of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs in 1981, a position

he held for 10 years. In 1984 he was named pastor of Saint Benedict Parish in Stamford. In 1990 he was appointed pastor of Holy Name of Jesus in Stratford, where he had started as a part-time parochial vicar after his ordination. In 2003, he became the pastor of St. Theresa Parish, Trumbull, a position he held until 2006, when he took the post of chaplain at Stamford Hospital with residence at St. Clement Parish in Stamford. "It's a joy to serve the people of God in the Diocese of Bridgeport, and to grow in faith and grace with the people in the various parishes where I have served, and will continue to serve," Msgr. Dora said at the time of his appointment to St. Theresa Parish. Msgr. Dora was also a diocesan consultor, president of the Board of Directors Catholic School System for Region VI, and was on the Clergy Personnel Committee and the Priests' Council. He became Chaplain to His Holiness to Pope John Paul II in 1991, with the title of Monsignor. Msgr. Dora lived in retirement at Catherine Dennis Keefe Queen of the Clergy Residence in Stamford. There will be no wake. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Friday, June 9th at 11am at Saint Bridget of Ireland Church, 278 Strawberry Hill Avenue, in Stamford. His interment will follow to St. John Roman Catholic Cemetery in Darien, CT. Msgr. Dora is mourned his older sister, Sister Patricia Dora, CSJ, of Hartford, his twin sister, Mary Rose Patten and her husband, Dwight, and by his nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations in Msgr. Dora's memory can be made to the Congregation of St. Joseph, 650 Willard Avenue, Newington, CT 06111; and the Expansion Fund of the Catherine Dennis Keefe Queen of Clergy Retired Priests' Residence, 274 Strawberry Hill Ave., Stamford, CT 06902. If you would like to leave an expression of sympathy for the family online, you may sign the guestbook at www.bosakfuneralhome.com or visit the funeral home Facebook page at www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome to share memories with his family.

Tribute Wall

DH

“ Dear Monsignor: This is Diane your 2nd cousin daughter of Mary Dora. I am so sorry I couldn't attend your services. I had an illness that caused terrific pain that kept me from paying my respects. I have loved you ever since I knew we were family, and felt fortunate to have you baptize both my daughters Olivia and Ava, as well as marry me. We lost frequent touch the last 2 years for that I do regret. I know you are in heaven with my mom, family and friends who have faithfully departed. I wish you everlasting life with Jesus our Lord and redeemer. Miss you and forever grateful, until we meet again. Love, Diane Heineken (Gasiewski)

Diane Heineken - October 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Msgr. Peter P. Dora

Molly McDonough - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ So sorry for the loss of Msgr. Dora. As a nurse at Stamford Hospital I was always impressed by his constant quiet way of comforting visits to my patients, When my husband was very sick Father brought him peace and distraction from his pain, as a grieving widow he did the same for me. His words "life is short and eternity is so long, you will be together again for eternity" are always in my mind and heart. He will be missed and always loved

Scottie Dombrowski - June 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Thank you for all that you did, Monsignor Dora. You will be greatly missed. Sending lots of love to his family.-M

June 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ My sincere condolences and prayers to the Dora families. Father Dora was such a joy, inspiration and unique individual who touched all who knew and met him. His sermons were special, especially when geared towards the children attending Mass at St Benedict. I enjoyed the Blessing of the Animals celebration and would bring my 2 cats in their carriers for Father Dora to bless. It was such a fantastic event at St Benedict with all the parishioners pets getting along in harmony. Thank you Father Dora for your understanding and comforting words during my time of need. You are indeed surrounded by the angels and with God. I have and will always remember you. Peace!

Nancy Hamer Feight - June 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ My condolences to Msgr. Dora's family. He was truly a beautiful soul. He baptized my eldest daughter and was with us when we lost our mother. His memory will always be a special one for me, recalling especially his goodness and humility. He is with his heavenly Father.

Jacqueline Bak DeWalt - June 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincerest sympathy to the special Dora family - -I'm an old, old Cove native, but I've lived in Florida for more than 50 years. But my special sister Lydia Gallo has always lived in Stamford, until her passing last Dec. and she always kept me posted about the Dora family. Mary Rose, for years, all year long, I've enjoyed the palm trees that you bought with Lydia - they're part of the Fontanni nativity set, so they're part of our manger scene at Christmas time. 2 recent short stories about "Peter": One day when Lydia was very sick in the hospital, her Lutheran Slovak pastor was with her - and - in walks "Peter", a Catholic Slovak. What a special visit it was she told me with both of them there. And - when we were in church for her service, her pastor told me that "Peter" would be there, sitting in the last pew. On the way out Pastor was walking first, then me, crying, and our 2 brothers. I saw "Peter" and stopped and he gave me a hug. I told him I felt disrespectful calling him "Peter" but he said it was OK, and made me laugh instead of cry. How special he was. How special your whole family is. I just wish we had known each other for all these years. My sincerest sympathy to both of you losing your special brother. Mary-Jane (Gallo) Neils

June 20, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincere condolences to the family. I met Msgr. as a boy while he was at Christ the King in Trumbull. He quickly became a family friend. He kept his eye on me during my college years by writing me wonderful letters full of advice and humor. Many years later we were honored to have him perform our wedding. He was someone who the conversation picked up where it left off even though you hadn't seen each other in some time. He was truly one of the good ones and I am a better person for knowing him. Please take comfort in knowing he was loved and appreciated.

Brenden McDonough - June 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I am glad to have known you all my life, first as an alter-boy at St. Benedict's Church, then as my pastor at Holy Name of Jesus Church and St. Theresa's Church. You are truly amazing, always touching our hearts with your kindness and spirituality. Rest in peace.

Joan Flannery - June 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Family and Friends, It was my honor to have known MSGR Dora-he truly was an outstanding example of what a "Christian" is! I will miss his warm greetings. Sincerely, Diane Framularo Baranowsky

June 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Monsignor was a beloved priest and a good friend He meant the world to myself and my family. He will be missed by all who had the opportunity to know him.

mary ann defusco - June 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ To the Dora Family So sorry for your loss. Msgr. Dora was a great comfort to my family in our time of need. I will always remember him as a wonderful, kind & spritual leader. He will be greatly missed Sincerely Mary Lynn & Kevin Foley

Mary - June 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Msgr. Dora brought peace to many souls in his time at Stamford Hospital. He was a welcomed presence for our family and many, many others. With great respect, The Lione Family*

June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Dora Family, my most sincere condolences to all of you. My parents always enjoyed Msgr.'s visits to their home. I remember you fondly from Roger School. Fondly, Grace Gillespie Hanford*

June 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Msgr Dora was our parish priest at Holy Name. What a wonderful human being; he will never be forgotten. The Seawright Family*

June 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Sister Patricia and Mary Rose., my deepest sympathies to you on the passing of "Peter". As a child I still remember while I was waiting at your front door on Seaside Avenue, Peter running up the stairs and genuflecting in front of the religious statue at the top of the stairs on the landing. I drive by your former home every week and fondly remember your wonderful family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Rosemary Massari*

June 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rest in peace Msgr. Dora. You are a special angel who touched our life in a very special way. We will truly miss you!!*

Denise - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *Msgr Dora was a very special part of our lives and we will truly miss him!!He will be in our hearts, thoughts and prayers always and forever.Rest in peace Msgr Dora. We love you.Bob, Denise, Tim, Becca and Drew Brian Tvardzik*

Denise - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ *Family of Msgr. Dora, my condolences to you, Msgr. Dora was a kind and gentle soul may he be at peace with our Holy Father.*

Lillian and Katherine Lampros - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *To the Dora Family, with sympathy...*

Dr - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *To Mary Rose, Sister Patricia and family,It is with great sorrow that Gay and I have learned of the death of Monsignor Peter.I knew him, with my brother Jack, as a student and altarboy as one of "The kids of St. Mary's". His referential and spiritual demeanor was very evident even in those youthful days. Very recently our lives converged again with the several hospitalizations of our daughter Kimberly. She had been fighting a courageous but losing battle with brain cancer. In her final month long hospitalization Monsignor visited her daily, kept her company, made her laugh and through his many prayers and blessings brought her the needed spiritual comfort and peace. He helped her as no one else could, to end her 10 year battle with cancer.We will never forget his loving care and are so grateful God allowed us to have him with us. As John Roman stated: "The Cove has lost it's Saint". So have we all. May he rest in blessed peace.Gay and Bob Hart*

June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I was truly sadden to learn of Msgr. Peter's passing. As a former member of St. Benedict's parish family and Cove resident as well as being a distant cousin through marriage, I came to know Peter as a truly wonderful priest. He said my parent's funeral masses in 1987 (I wish I could have been at his yesterday but just learned of it this morning) and was always there for spiritual guidance when my mother needed him. God bless your family and rest with the angels Fr. Peter.

Cheryl Bobonick - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Pat, You are in my thoughts and prayers. I know how difficult it is to lose a sibling. I enjoyed Peters 8am mass at St. Clements, always a smile and calling me O'Leary! Take care of your self. Eileen Hogan

June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ From the earliest days at ND, thru Holy Name of Jesus...so grateful for all the spiritual support, kindness and care...With deepest sympathy. and affection. Rest in Peace.

Carol Pekar - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ MSGR. Dora was a man who was all about giving. He was always there for my father each time and went to the hospital, and although not feeling well at the time still performed his homily at his funeral. I am saddened to hear about his passing, but I know he has already found a place with God.

John Rosa - June 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GY

“ To the Dora Family, My deepest condolences. Father Dora was a friend to my Mom & Dad. Such a kind man leaving behind a legacy not to be forgotten. Heaven has gained an Angel. Rest in Peace.

Gail Yeagley - June 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ We would like to express our deepest sympathy to a remarkable and devoted man of God. All our Love, Sandy, Rocky Prozano, Sue & George Boccuzzi

Prozano Family Boccuzzi Family - June 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I will never forget this wonderful man, He was there daily for my family when my father was ill, he did the most beautiful Mass, for my DAD, The Ofiero family will never forget this wonderful man. Josephine Ofiero McKeon Myrtle Beach S.C.

Josephine McKeon - June 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Take comfort in knowing that now you have a special guardian angel to watch over you.

John Paradis - June 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ *Monsignor Peter entered my life as a friend of my older brother, Sean, and he continued as my friend after Sean's early death. He was instrumental in my life through the many joys and losses and I will miss his guidance and gift of friendship. He gave so much and asked so little; I know he and Sean are meeting up now to discuss the old times of youth. Rest in Peace Monsignor Peter and thank you.*

Vincent Fanning - June 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *It is difficult to convey my sadness in words as I grieve the loss of my dear friend Monsignor Dora. He was there for me each and every time I needed a shoulder to cry on or a hand to hold. I believe God gives us angels on this earth to ease the journey and he was (and always will be) mine. I have lost a friend here on earth and gained a friend in Heaven. Monsignor, rest in peace in the arms of the angels and watch over us as you always have. Miss you...
Dolores*

Dolores Fanning - June 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ My deepest sympathies to the Dora family. I am sure all of your ancestors and his many friends greeted him upon his arrival to heaven. What a beautiful sweet loving and gentle soul he was on this earth and will continue to be in heaven. I will never forget all the many visits he made to the hospital and rehab centers to visit and pray with both of my parents in their last days as well as the many visits he made to our house to give them Holy Communion. I will never forget all the wonderful talks my parents and I had with him. Also, I will never forget his graciousness to perform both of my parents funerals. Thank you for being there for all of us. You will be greatly missed here on earth but you are our guardian angel now. God bless your soul! XOXO

Mary Helen Robustelli - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ This is truly such a deep shock and tremendous loss. I've known Msgr. Peter for a long time going back to my days at Norte Dame Girls High School as our spiritual director to our pastor at Holy Name of Jesus in Stratford CT. He was so beloved by all filled with compassion and kindness. He was wonderful to I and my family and provided such support to me when I lost my first husband. And then he officiated at my second marriage at St. Teresa's church. After his departure we lost touch but he was always in my thoughts and prayers. I missed you and now more than ever. You were an inspiration and a wonderful servant of God. Rest In Peace Dear Monsignor. Thank you for all the wonderful memories. Our condolences to the family. The Calder Family - Ann Marie, Tom and AnaMilford, CT

Ann Marie Calder - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To The Family Of MSGR Dora, Our deepest condolences to the family of MSGR Dora. He was a wonderful, caring person who was able to communicate with all who came in contact with him. He was always kind to our family. We thank him and are so grateful to have known him. Godspeed MSGR Dora.

Steven and Hilka Schulz - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ Mnsgr Dora was one of the kindest people I have known. He visited my mom in the hospital through many of her times there. Always giving spiritual words and blessings. I got to know him at Queen of Clergy as I was the former barber there. He will be greatly missed by all who's lives he touched. May he Rest In Peace

Toni Kokoros - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ my condolences to the dora family at fr dora passing. i remember the blessings he gave to me and my family. will b eternally greatfull will remember him in my prayers GOD BLESS. ANOTHER PERSON MARION MORRIS SEND HER CONDOLANCES TOO.

DIANE STRAIN - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ My best friend, Marge and I have been blessed for twenty-seven years to have shared a very special close relationship with our wonderful Monsignor Peter. He was our treasure, our knight in shining armor, always there when you needed him. He loved both of our Mothers and was there for both of them until the end of their lives. He chose us to chair the Sausage and Pepper Booth at Holy Name of Jesus Church Fair and we had so much fun doing the prep work and all that it entailed on the day of the fair. Our team was delighted with his down to earth involvement in our success. He would have been chopping up those peppers and onions if we let him. That was Monsignor Peter, truly a priest of the people, he was one of us and we all loved him so very much. We were together through thick and thin. He never lost touch and I can still hear his voice telling me not to give up when I was diagnosed with cancer. He kept calling and telling me that he and all the priests at Queen of Clergy had me in their prayers. Well how could I lose with a team like that. He always told me that I should pray for him too and that is exactly what I did. I know that he took the express route up to those pearly gates and that they indeed opened wide. He was our Saint Peter here on earth and I know that he is now our special angel watching over us. Rest in Peace, Monsignor Peter, you have our undying love and gratitude. Nancy and Donald Simmonds, Shelton, CT Margaret Prihoda, Bridgeport, CT

Nancy - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ *Death is the heartache no one can heal, Memories are keepsakes no one can steal. Beautiful memories are all we have left, Of the ones we loved and will never forget. Softly the leaves of memory fall, Gently we gather and cherish them all. Planted deep in memory's garden And watered daily with tears, Memory has a magical way Of keeping loved ones near. ~Author unknown, grieving poem from the 1950s*My sincere sympathies to Msgr Dora's family.

Nathanael Leveille - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *I was an alter boy for father dora he taught me about god and how he loved life.He was there when our dad was sick and even baptized him,and he was there when my gram was sick and when she died.I will always remember his laugh,rest in peace. Conrad family*

John Conrad - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Mary Rose and Sr. Pat.Pater was such a good friend during our time at St. Mary's and always made us smile. He truly was a special soul.*

Pat Donnelly Ferreri - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ To the family of Msgr. Dora, Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the loss of Msgr. Dora. He was such a comfort to my father during various hospitalizations at Stamford Hospital. One such occasion, Msgr came in and said "Bob, you're here again?" To which my father replied... "Msgr. don't you know this is my time share?" My father passed away in 2012 but I will always remember the kindness Msgr. Dora expressed during his visits with my Dad. Wishing you all much peace and comfort during this difficult time.

Colleen Daly - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Msgr. Peter Dora played an important role at key times in the lives of my sons and me. His advice and support were true gifts to the three of us. May all those who were blessed by his presence in their lives give thanks for this devoted priest.

The Rev - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ As spiritual and gentle a soul as you can find. Msgr. Dora helped spark my interest in church as a child and I was lucky enough to call him a friend as an adult. I know that he will be forever missed throughout Stamford and the hundreds of lives he touched.

Ray Hogan - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ Peter Dora was a dear friend. May God rest his soul.

Fr - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ To the Family of Msgr Dora, On behalf of Father Mark Connolly I would like to express my sadness and deepest sympathies. While at Nathaniel Witherall, Father Mark was able to talk to Father Dora in a very special way.They reminisced many times of their special days together at St. Michael's. He will be deeply missed. He will always be in our thoughts and prayers. Dorothy Riera

Dorothy Riera - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Sincere condolences to all members of the Dora family. The Cove has lost its saint.

John Roman - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Deepest sympathy to all in the Dora family. The Cove will never be the same.

John Roman - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Father Dora You are in our hearts and our family. Bless you and all the good work you have done for all of us.

Andrea Sandor - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Even as a young man at St. Marys' school Peter stood out as someone that was special. His quiet demeanor and spirituality was recognizedly by all who knew him.. So I was not surprised when he became a priest and led a life of service to his fellow man and to God.My Sincere sympathy to his sisters Mary, Patricia and family.Judy Urwin"The kids from St. Marys"

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FU

“ Dear Msgr. Dora's Family and Friends, I reacted with great sadness to the news of Peter's passing. He not only was my parish priest at St. Benedict Church but also a wonderful neighbor in the Cove section of Stamford. He officiated at my father's burial Mass and during the homily he reflected that yet another "Cove boy" was welcomed with open arms when he arrived in Heaven. Thank you for your devotion to all the parishioners you counted among your flock. You ministered to all of us long and well. We were blessed to be part of your congregation. I know the gates of Heaven were lined with many residents of your neighborhood welcoming home their "Cove boy". May you rest in peace. Sincerely,

Frances Cyboski Uva - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ My condolences to the family. I will always hold a memory of Monsignor Dora with a kindly smile and a little twinkle in his eye. The joy he took in his ministry from welcoming children to the community by lifting them high over his head while making the introduction, his passion for education, to his skill at comforting the sick and bereaved. He was a humble yet so accomplished man of great faith and a true shepherd of the way.

Denise Sullivan - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I will always remember and hold dear the wonderful times we had as kids at St. Marys. You were a sweet young kid who turned into a remarkable man. I am sure that God is welcoming you with open arms, And so are all of our classmates that have gone on before us. Deepest sympathy to Mary, Patricia and family. Barbara Currie Bard "The kids from St. Marys"

June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ To the family of Msgr Peter Dora, I am so sorry to hear of his passing, Such a great man with so many stories, He had so many patience and would sit and talk for ever. He was to good to my mom when my brother passed he stayed and talked to her and comfort her and us. He will be missed. Thank you for all the love and prayers he sent to our family. God Bless.

Joanne - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Mary & entire Dora family... many fond memories of days spent with Peter in Stamford schools and many years later in visitation at Stamford hospital. We pray that God will surely bless and comfort you in the days ahead. Kevin & Barbara (Zezima) Mathews `Kids of St. Mary's`.

June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Dear Dora family,It was so sad to read that Peter has passed away. What a beautiful obituary! He led such a remarkable life. We were blessed to meet Monsignor about two years ago. What a wonderful, sweet, kind, knowledgeable man. I too grew up in the Cove and also attended St. Mary's and SHS (a few years later than Monsignor). He and I would reminisce about life in the Cove during the 50's and 60's. He made sure we would go street by street and he knew at least one family on each street. Peter has touched so many lives. He will be missed by many. Monsignor was proud of his Irish roots and I know there is an Irish party going on in Heaven welcoming him home. Rest in peace Monsignor; you've earned it!Your Trips Friends,Mike & Nancy Skoumbros

Nancy Skoumbros - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ To Sister Pat Dora and Family... My deepest sympathy in your time of sorrow with the passing of your beloved brother Peter. Our prayers are for Peter's soul that it be at peace in Heaven, a just reward for all Gods work he did here on Earth. Love and prayers
Janice Moseley Dingee

Janice Moseley Dingee - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ I am truly sorry for the loss of such a special person in my life.

ruby beverley - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I will truly miss my best friend.

June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ MSGR Dora always a big part of the Cove Family. Prayers and love.

Kathy Hospodar Thompson - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ To Sister Patti, Mary and family So sorry to of hear of MSGR. PETER passing. Michael J. Raduazzo (COVE)

June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Sister Pat & family, I am so sad to hear the passing of your brother Msgr Peter. As a child I have so many happy memories I often recall of all of you when visiting at your parents home and will cherish them forever. Patsy McPhee

June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Our deepest sympathies to his family. He really brightened the day for us with each visit, full of wit and wisdom during the months my mom was in the hospital. He will always be remembered for his humor by my family- Jackie Tiani and Bertha Berg

Jackie Tiani - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Simply the kindest, most peaceful person I've ever met; our modern day St. Peter. Rest peacefully, good servant. Mike Gerardi

Mike Geardi - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ Our deepest sympathy to Msgr. Dora's family. He was a wonderful person full of love, life, wisdom and compassion. He will be dearly missed.

Frances - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ We would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to all those who loved this dear man. As classmates of his we always knew he was meant for greatness. And as the years went on he proved us right. To our classmate Mary we send our loving thoughts and extend our sympathy to all of his family. We are sure he is being greeted by all those who's lives he touched though the years. We know there is a wonderful class reunion with all those who left this earth too soon also, in full swing with Peter trying to keep them all in line. He truly was a lovely, lovely man. God bless Peter, "The Kids from St. Marys"

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MK

“ My Mom cried most of yesterday upon hearing the news. Our Kind dear Father Dora was there as a true Shepherd for our family also for oh so many while at Holy Name of Jesus. Grateful he beautifully prepared our children for the Sacraments including Marriage. Msgr Dora, a true gift from God whom He took lovingly back to Himself. Our hearts go out to his family.

Mary Kriz - June 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Pete, It's your friend, Joe Denicola, I know the doors are wide open for you up there. You will be greatly missed. you are the best. God Bless and hopefully you will keep them open for me. Joe Denicola

joseph Denicola - June 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ My deepest sympathies to the Dora family. My husband and I met Peter at Trip's Restaurant about two years ago. We knew him as Peter and didn't know that he was a priest, let alone a Monsignor six months later. When I found out he was a Msgr. I immediately asked him, what would you like me to call you should I call you Father, should I call you Msgr. and his answer was Rita my name is Peter, I want you to call me Peter. On September 27, 2017 my husband had a medical episode and was in the hospital and rehab center and then back to the hospital for over 10 weeks. Peter came every day when he was at Stamford Hospital and sat with me. I could never have gotten through this ordeal without him. He just was the kindest, sweetest person in the world, always putting everyone before himself. Unfortunately my husband passed away November 21 and it was an honor that Monsignor Dora did my husband's funeral for me and my family. My grandchildren especially my oldest granddaughter Lily (10) is saddened by monsignors death. My entire family just loved him. When he passed away, he went straight to heaven he was truly an angel put on this earth and I personally will truly, truly, truly miss this wonderful man. I loved him, Monsignor Dora and as I knew him Peter. Rest In Peace, I will miss you.

Rita Miller - June 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ When I read the Pope's words to newly ordained priests this year I couldn't help think of Peter Dora - a blessing to anyone who met him. He will be missed by many. <http://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/pope-urges-new-priests-to-serve-with-joy-never-sadness-94593/>

Dawn Hammond - June 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM