



Rev. Felix R. Colosimo

April 13, 1939 - October 26, 2017

UTICA - Felix R. Colosimo, age 78, died in peace on Thursday, October 26, 2017. He was born in Utica on April 13, 1939, the son of the late Angelo R. "Angie" Colosimo and the late Isabella L. (Fanelli) Colosimo. He attended Conkling Elementary School and graduated from T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1957. He studied for the Priesthood at St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries in Rochester and was ordained in the Cathedral in Syracuse on May 1, 1965. When he began his studies everything was in Latin, and when he finished everything was in English. His class was the first to celebrate their first Mass in English, facing the congregation. It was a time of great change and new challenges.

Whenever he taught or preached, he tried to balance the traditional with the modern. He explained eternal truths in simple terms that both the young and the old could understand. He served in parishes throughout the Diocese and touched many lives. He loved the Priesthood and retired at age 75.

He is survived by his sister, Marie, cousins Carl and Pat Maida Paratore of Frankfort, and Sam and Rosann Blanco Paratore of Reston, VA, and their families. He will also be remembered by his cousins, especially acknowledging Kathleen Hobaica, Michael and Cathy Colosimo, and their families; his caring neighbors, Bill and Mary Sue Eisenman, Denise Di Giorgio, Patricia Guarnieri, Charlie Hickel, Helen Trotta, and longtime family friends, Bernadette and Jim Peters. He was especially close to John and Christine Strzepek and their children, Stephanie, Jessica, and Michael, and

their family. He was predeceased by his eldest sister, Claire M. Colosimo; aunts and uncles, Lucy and Carl Paratore, Victoria and Dominick Fanelli, and Margaret and Joseph Rugare; and his cousins, Rosemary Paratore, and Nicolyn Paratore.

The family is grateful to Dr. Sudershan Dang and his staff, Dr. Atul Butala and his staff, Dr. Andrew Pellecchia, and Dr. Norman Neslin for the exceptional care and personal concern offered to Felix and his sister. They would also wish to express gratitude to Hospice & Palliative care, especially Stephanie, Ashley, Crystal & Justin. Felix will forever be indebted to Attorney Les Lewis and Attorney Paul Pimpinella for their understanding and wisdom.

Visitation will be held Tuesday from 3:00-6:00 and Wednesday from 10:00-11:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Felix's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Wednesday at 11:00 at the conclusion of visitation. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Tribute Wall

PD

“ To the Family of Fr. Colosimo:

I was very sorry to hear of Father's passing. I have not seen him for many years but have thought of him often since he left St. John's parish in Rome. I was an altar boy and a member of the boy's choir that Father C started at St. John's in the mid 1960's. He made a difference in my life and I am sorry I never got to tell him so.

Rest in peace Father.

Peter DelPiano

Peter DelPiano - December 31, 2017 at 04:58 PM

DK

“ DEAR COLOSIMO FAMILY,

It is with our deepest sympathy and prayers we offer you for the loss of Father Felix.

I knew Father Felix over the years as a Catholic Deacon and he was a fine priest.

MAY HIS MEMORY BE ETERNAL !!! Love, Dan and Cindy Klockowski

Daniel A Klockowski - November 07, 2017 at 10:20 AM

FD

“ *The Demmas and Colosimos go back 75 years ,we cherish the memories and may Felix rest in peace.*

Fred & Marilyn Notaro Demma

fred demma - November 02, 2017 at 07:56 AM

CP

“ Marie, so sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of Fr Felix when he was pastor at St. Leo's in Holland Patent. He was a wonderful priest. My thoughts and prayers to you and your family, Catherine Paige

Catherine Chippari Paige - October 31, 2017 at 07:07 PM

FF

“ Rest in peace Father Felix. You were always there for our family and we always considered you a part of it. We will miss you!

Furlong Family - October 31, 2017 at 04:32 PM

CS

“ I was so very sorry to hear that Father Félix had passed. I will always remember him officiating at my daughter's first communion, her wedding, and most precious, my Grandson's baptism. The compassion he showed me when my husband was ill will never be forgotten. May your family find solace in their memories. May you rest in peace.



Cathy Schiavetta-Bohen - October 31, 2017 at 04:17 PM

JT

“ Rest In Peace our good friend. Your faith and strength served as an inspiration to all. You will always hold a special place in our hearts.

Love— Roxanne and Jeff Toczydlowski

Jeff Toczydlowski - October 31, 2017 at 03:47 PM

MG

“ Rest In Peace Father Felix. Thoughts and Prayers for you and your family.

Martha Lawler Grevelding.

martha grevelding - October 31, 2017 at 11:04 AM

MB

“ Thank you Father Felix for making Mass so enjoyable for our family. We will keep you always in our prayers.

The Bednarczyk Family

Maura Bednarczyk - October 31, 2017 at 06:30 AM

PS

“ Father Felix has been a part of our family for not years but decades. He was at every baptisam, weddings, deaths, graduation party's. He will be remembered as not only as one of the best priest in the area but a great person. God bless and you will be missed. Starowicz and Chichon familys



pete starowicz - October 30, 2017 at 09:30 PM

CB

“ May you rest in peace, Father. I will always remember how kind you were to my family!

Catherine Bohn - October 30, 2017 at 09:06 PM

MH

“ *Mary Hosey lit a candle in memory of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo*



Mary Hosey - October 30, 2017 at 01:37 PM

MS

“ *Michele Simmen lit a candle in memory of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo*



Michele Simmen - October 30, 2017 at 08:40 AM

MS

God bless you Father Felix. Rest in Peace..

Michele Simmen - October 30, 2017 at 08:41 AM

AR

“ *Andrea Raiano-Hedrick lit a candle in memory of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo*



Andrea Raiano-Hedrick - October 30, 2017 at 08:38 AM

AR

Rest in peace Father.

Andrea Raiano-Hedrick - October 30, 2017 at 08:46 AM

RB

“ Rosemary Brown lit a candle in memory of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo



Rosemary Brown - October 30, 2017 at 07:52 AM

JT

“ Jackie & Stephen Teti lit a candle in memory of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo



Jackie & Stephen Teti - October 30, 2017 at 07:32 AM

JH

“ John Handzel lit a candle in memory of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo



John handzel - October 30, 2017 at 07:08 AM



“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo.



October 30, 2017 at 06:36 AM

GW

“ *Father Felix devoutly performed several religious ceremonies for our family, baptisms, first holy communions, funeral masses, and anniversary blessings. His love, compassion and joy always added to the service and warmed our hearts. His heavenly reward was well deserved!! God Bless his family at this time. Gary and Mary Rose Werner (OLOTR)*

GARY & MARY ROSE WERNER - October 29, 2017 at 03:05 PM

DF

“ *Donna Yaghy and family purchased the Yellow & White Rose Fireside Basket for the family of Rev. Felix R. Colosimo.*



Donna Yaghy and family - October 29, 2017 at 12:25 PM

MS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Felix's passing. I have known Felix since he was a very young boy on Blandina St. where we all lived and grew up. My brother Joe and Felix were always close, he confirmed my nephew Joey Yaghy. Felix was always part of our life and family and will be missed very much. When my Mom passed in Sept. of 2007 her funeral mass was so beautiful and personal I will never forget his kindness and how much a part of our family Felix was. We will always Love and Miss Felix and never forget the kindness and the part he played in the Spatuzzi family. Rest in Peace Father Mary Ann (Yaghy) Spatuzzi.*

MARY ANN SPATUZZI - October 29, 2017 at 11:37 AM

PG

“ Marie- So very sorry for your loss. Special memories of your family will be remembered.

Patty Guarnieri

Patty Guarnieri - October 29, 2017 at 10:14 AM