



Fr. Roy T. Beeching

August 20, 1948 - September 29, 2019

Fr. Roy T. Beeching, age 71 of Merrillville, passed away September 29, 2019. He attended Holy Angels and was a graduate of Andean HS class of '66. He served as a priest for several churches including St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, St. Mark, St Michael, St. Joseph, Sts. Peter and Paul and St. Joan of Arc. Roy was also a Director of Diocesan Cemeteries, Moderator of the Council of Catholic Women and CYO board of directors. He was preceded in death by his parents-Roy and Patricia Beeching. Roy is survived by his sister-Marcella A. Beeching, cousin- Peggy (Ray) Haack, very dear friends- Jackie and Tim, and Gerry and Mary Scheub and families.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2019, from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 5885 Harrison St., Merrillville, IN, with Right of Reception at 2 p.m. and Evening Prayer Service at 7 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Peter and Paul, with additional visitation from 9 a.m. until time of Morning Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Entombment at St. John/St. Joseph Cemetery, Hammond. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church or St. Joseph's Carmelite Home at www.carmelite.org. Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point, entrusted with funeral arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

St. John-St. Joseph Cemetery

1547 167th St.
Hammond, IN 46320

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 2. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ss. Peter & Paul Church
5885 Harrison
Merrillville, IN 46410

Prayer Service

OCT 2. 7:00 PM (CT)

Ss. Peter & Paul Church
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Prayer Service

OCT 3. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Ss. Peter & Paul Church
5885 Harrison
Merrillville, IN 46410

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 3. 10:30 AM (CT)

SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery
5885 Harrison St
Merrillville, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *I didn't see my post but I will try again. I am Roy's cousin Pam. I also lost touch with Roy by moving to Texas and then to Minnesota. Last year my brother Myles and I met Roy in Crown Point and Marcie came up from Florida. We had a nice visit even though Roy was in the hospital. I was so touched that even as sick as he was he remembered to ask about how my daughter was doing. He always thought of others and spent his lifetime serving people by being a priest. Enjoy your heavenly reward, Roy, but you will certainly be missed. Pam*

Pamela Fitzgerald - October 03, 2019 at 02:27 AM

JS

“ *To My Dear Friend Roy,*

I met you through my brother 12 years ago. Your friendship these past years has meant so much to me.

You buried my brother and you were one of his best friends. You were so generous to us with your time, love, wit and laughter. We grew to be brothers with late night telephone calls to me in Hawaii.

You had such a wonderful time in Hawaii and I was so happy to share that experience with you and your cousin. You were like a child in paradise.

Aloha my good friend. Rest in heavenly peace.

Mitch and Joan Skaggerberg

Joan Skaggerberg - October 01, 2019 at 10:04 PM

MB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Roy's passing. Roy was my cousin and I looked up to him and tagged along with him when he would let me. Later we played golf together and shared many happy hours with each other. I moved to Texas and we lost touch. I am so happy that over the past 5 years I have had the chance to reconnect with Roy and we even spent one last time on the golf course with him. I had a picture taken of us in a golf cart and it is one of those lasting memories that was created for both of us.



Myles

Myles Beeching - October 01, 2019 at 08:58 AM

PH

The golf photo was close to him on his bedside, glad you remember it too. Marcie

Peggy Haack - October 01, 2019 at 09:02 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Fr. Roy T. Beeching.



October 01, 2019 at 08:51 AM

LS

“ Lorena Melendy - Starfish purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Fr. Roy T. Beeching.



Lorena Melendy - Starfish - September 30, 2019 at 09:30 PM

DC

“ Roy grew up across the street from me at 3rd and Chase in the Ambridge neighborhood of Gary, Indiana. His mom, Pat, was our Cubs Scout leader. I remember his dad, Roy, walking to and from the American Bridge Company where he was a supervising draftsman. Roy's dad gave his son, the future priest, the nickname of "Buster"!

"Buster" was a good kid and friend and he retained his sense of humor and humanitarian qualities throughout his life. I was not surprised at all when he carved a path in the priesthood and faithfully devoted his life to so many people.

Fr. Beeching and I were on the faculty together at Marquette High School in Michigan City.

Through the years, we occasionally reminisced about "the good ol' days" growing up in Gary at 3rd and Chase Street. -- Dean G. Christakis

Dean G. Christakis - September 30, 2019 at 08:28 PM

DM

*Nothing but great memories of Father Beeching.
God rest the soul of this good man, this good priest.
dennis morales
Denver, Colorado*

DJW Morales - September 30, 2019 at 10:57 PM

RS

“Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Master.” Blessed to have been classmates at Andean ('66) and together form part of the alma mater's largest contingent of priest alumni, along with Derrick Dudash and the late John Ambre. Thanks for using your gifts for the benefit of so many in the Diocese of Gary. Now enjoy the everlasting reunion with family, friends and so many dear classmates who have preceded us. Love to all those who are hurting at the moment, but buoyed by the hope of eternal light, peace, and joy. Save me a seat, please. Or should I say a mansion?

Rev. Dennis Michael Hand Sabocik - September 30, 2019 at 02:20 PM