
Peter Gorham Obituary

The Rev. Peter Paul Gorham, 82 TRENTON --
The Rev. Peter Paul Gorham, 82, died Sept. 14, 2009, surrounded by special friends and family at a Bangor hospital. He was born in Portland, June 10, 1927, the son of Peter B. and Annie M. (Greene) Gorham. He attended Cathedral Grammar School and Cheverus High School in Portland graduating in 1945. He then attended St. Thomas Seminary in Connecticut and St. John's Seminary in Brighton. His assignments as Assistant were St. Joseph's Parish in Gardiner, St. Dominic's Parish in Portland, St. Joseph's Parish in Waterville and St. Mary's Parish in Bangor; Temp. Administrator of Saint Denis, Fort Fairfield; pastor at Sacred Heart Parish in Lubec, and pastor at St. Joseph's Parish in Ellsworth retiring after 18 years of service. Father Peter devoted his ministry to social services. He was the co-founder of the Regional Medical Center in Lubec; he and Mary Anderson were co-founders of Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry and he was a strong supporter of Open Door Recovery Center both of Ellsworth. Father Peter is survived by his sister, Ann Besier and husband Arnold of Harpswell, brother, Francis Gorham of Portland; special nephews, Peter and Stephen, nephews, John, Lorne, Martin, Kevin and Shawn, niece, Mary; special friends, Julie B. Deyone, Melanie J. McGrath and husband Dennis all of Bangor and Linda A. Morin of Trenton. He was predeceased by sisters, Catherine P. Macdonald, Mary Gorham, brothers, the Rev. John H. Gorham, M.M., Joseph Gorham; and special friends, Joseph and Gloria Cormier and Mary Anderson. The family and friends would like to thank the Grant 1 Intensive Care Unit of EMMC for the excellent care Father Peter received and a special thanks to Jeff Beal, RN. Friends were invited to call 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009, at Jordan-Fernald, 113 Franklin St., Ellsworth. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11 a.m., Friday, Sept. 18, 2009, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 231 Main St., Ellsworth; Father Scott Mower, Celebrant. Interment will was at 3 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Bangor. Condolences may be expressed at www.jordanferald.com. Contributions in Father Peter's memory may be made to: Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry P.O. Box 145 Ellsworth, Maine 04605 Open Door Recovery Center P.O. Box 958 Ellsworth, Maine 04605 or St. Joseph Catholic Church 231 Main St. Ellsworth, Maine 04605 The Rev. Peter Paul Gorham

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