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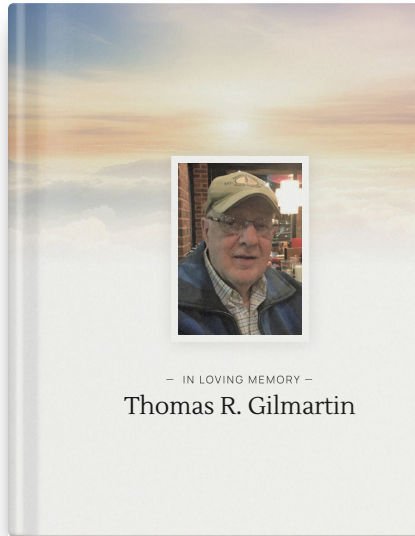
Thomas R. Gilmartin

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ALBANY – Thomas R. Gilmartin, 88, passed away peacefully on Friday, December 25, 2020, Christmas Day. He was born in Albany, the son of the late Joseph and Dena Gilmartin. He was predeceased by his sister Marie LaChance and his brother Joseph Gilmartin. Thomas is survived by his sister Carol Ann Rossi (the late Louis); his nieces and nephews Mark Rossi (Mary Ann), Dena Wise (William), Steven Rossi (Elizabeth), Susan Benac (Bradley), Joseph LaChance, and Tracey LaChance; many grand nieces and nephews; one great grand niece; and by his dear friend who was like a grandson to him, Christopher Curtis.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Hans Funeral Home, Albany. To leave a message of condolence for the family, please visit www.HansFuneralHome.com.

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Our sincere condolences to the Rossi family and to Christopher Curtiss.

Tom married us in 1984 at The Road to Damascus.

We have some fond memories of Tom.

May he rest in peace.

Sonny and Perley

SONNY AND PERLEY

Jan 20, 2021

My condolence to carol and family

JOE STATILE

Jan 03, 2021

Dear Carol Ann and family...Mike and I send our sincere sympathy on the passing of Tom (always Father Tom to me)...So many memories of his visits to Mom & Dad's (Mary & Peter Jones') house. Tom had a brilliant sense of humor, always made us laugh and smile! When I was attending St. Rose (and trying to find

We were all so heartbroken to hear of Br Tom's passing. I will never forget all of the beautiful Tuesday night and Sunday morning sermons he delivered to all of us at Christian Assembly or Yardsboro church, as he'd say. Br Tom always had such a charismatic way of preaching and loved to make us laugh! He'd always have a little joke to share and I'll never forget his signature "Bazinga!" We had the blessing of Br Tom marrying my husband and I... and we later found out, while in the Priesthood some 30 years earlier, he actually married my husband's parents! We loved sharing that story! When he retired from ministering to our church, he'd always send little cheery little letters to say hello! Br Tom truly truly will be missed, he left such a beautiful mark in this world and honored the Lord by faithfully following a great calling to share His message and bring people to the Lord! We are blessed to have had the honor of knowing him! May he be lovingly welcomed by the Lord – he's finally home. We are praying for

Tom was an angel from God, who touched many lives. As for my life he was a special part of my whole life, from 1967 at Mercy to baptizing both my son's and officiating at my wedding. We kept in touch over the years through cards and written notes. He will always be a very special friend and confidant. He will be greatly missed. Be at peace Tom you're in God's hands now. Matty (Madeline)

MADELINE FOWLER

Jan 04, 2021

" Father Gilmartin"....."the priest who married us"....."Tom"....."a good friend to our family"....."an exceptional, good, caring, understanding, human being!"

Tom Gilmartin was all of these and much more. He was a REAL person, not only when he was a Roman Catholic cleric, but throughout his whole life, ministering in other capacities and churches. He will never be forgotten by my family nor

my direction in life), there were several times Tom picked me up on campus, took me out for pizza dinners and we would discuss career options and anti-war protests. He was most helpful...Also, my children attended Menands School and Father Tom was beloved by so many in Menands! We currently live in New Hampshire, however, two of my children live in Albany. Perhaps, after COVID, we can meet sometime....Blessings to you and your family...

Kate (Kathy Jones) & Mike Lancor

KATE & MIKE LANCOR

Jan 03, 2021

Carol Anne and Family

I am so sorry for your loss. He was an important part of my life and I will miss him. I want to pass some of my thoughts on to you but will do so in private.

How fitting that he should pass into eternity on the birthday of Jesus.

Be well.

God's comfort for Br Tom's family and his dear friends, who loved him like family.

JENNIFER LOGIUDICE-NASCA

Jan 06, 2021

Tom was a sweet gentle man who always had a smile on his face reflecting the love of Jesus to everyone. He was a mighty prayer warrior and will be missed greatly.

ANNA

Jan 03, 2021

I'm so very saddened to hear of Brother Gilmartin's passing. We'll never forget the beautiful services you preached at Christian Assembly and our children that you dedicated to the church. You are now with our Heavenly Father, may you rest in peace, you will not be forgotten. My sincerest condolences to his family.
Love, Holly LoGiudice-Wolf

by my husband and I. He was THAT special!

Rest easy, Tom.

Rest in the Lord, for I am sure that is where you are.

Steve and Judy Kubisch Scarlata

STEVE AND JUDY SCARLATA

Jan 03, 2021

My condolences to the Rossi family. He will always be Fr Gilmartin to me. He was the best priest and role model. While he left the priesthood, he continued to exemplify sweetness and kindness. Rest In Peace.

Karen Rider Coleman

KAREN COLEMAN

Jan 02, 2021

TOM O'BRIEN

Jan 02, 2021

HOLLY WOLF

Jan 03, 2021

Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Tom was a kind, compassionate, spiritual gentleman with the most wonderful sense of humor. His memory will be honored always through our stories of friendship and family. As others will say, he will always be Fr. Tom to us. Godspeed Fr. Tom.

The Kopanski Family

KAREN KOPANSKI

Jan 02, 2021

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