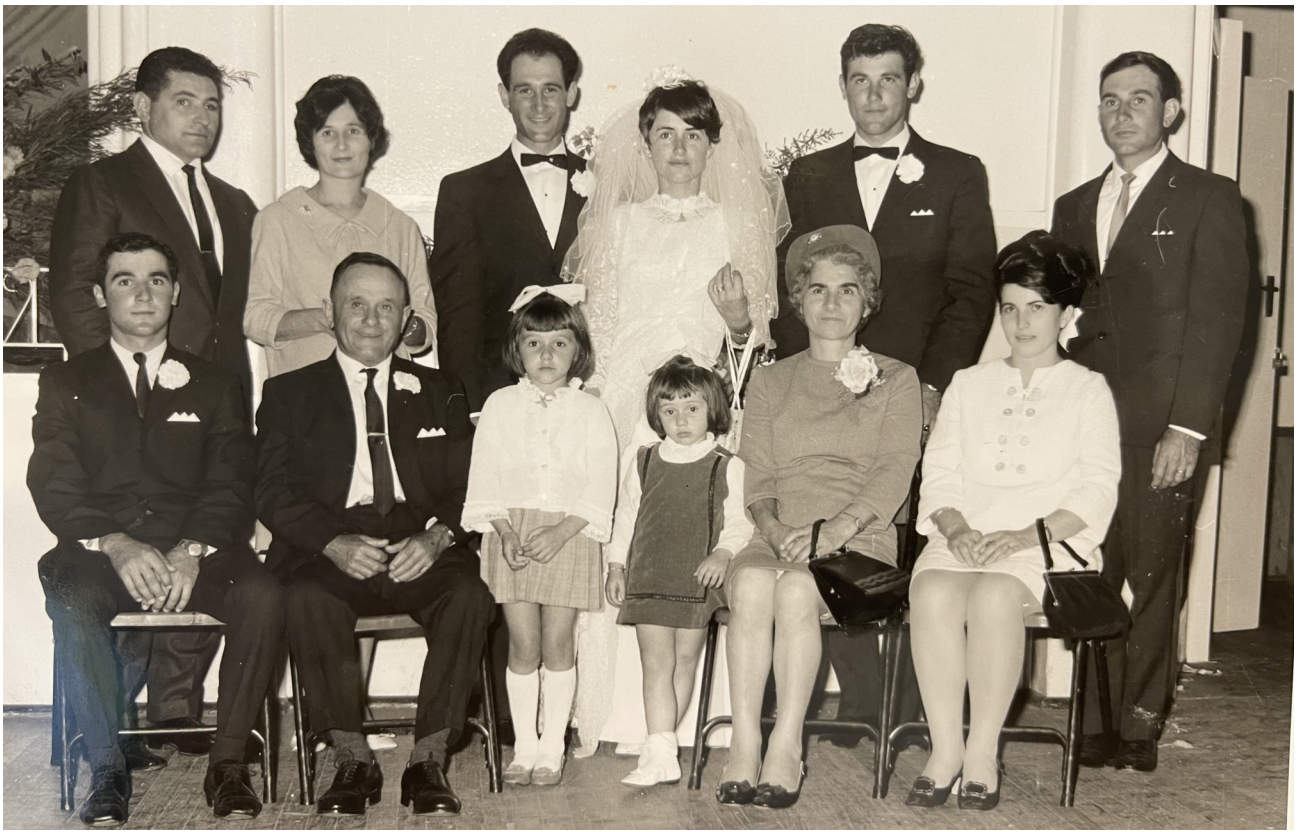


*Dario Luigi Serafin*

In Loving Memory

*January 6th 1943 ~ April 22nd 2023*



# *Dario Serafin*

**Much loved father and father-in-law of**

*Darryl & Lorraine*

*Andy & Minnietta*

**Cherished Nonno of**

*Sophia, Brandon,*

*Dean, Sienna and Quinn*

**Pall Bearers**

*Darryl Serafin*      *Mark Serafin*

*Andy Serafin*      *Adrian Serafin*

*Louie Serafin*      *Brandon Serafin*

**Priest**

*Fr Cyprian Onuorah*



## ENTRANCE HYMN

Fr Cyprian: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

PRIEST: The Lord be with you all.

**ALL: And with your spirit.**

*We now invite Andy to sprinkle the Holy Water*

PRIEST: In the waters of baptism, Dario died with Christ and rose with him to new life.

**ALL: May she now share with him eternal glory.**

## INVITATION

Fr Cyprian: Our brother Dario has gone to his rest in the peace of Christ. May the Lord now welcome him to the table of God's children in heaven. With faith and hope in eternal life, let us assist him with our prayers.

Let us pray to the Lord also for ourselves. May we who mourn be reunited one day with our brother Dario, together may we meet Christ Jesus when He who is our life appears in glory.

## PRAYER OVER THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Fr Cyprian: Lord Jesus Christ, by your own three days in the tomb, you hallowed the graves of all who believe in you and so made the grave a sign of hope that promises resurrection even as it claims our mortal bodies. Grant that our brother Dario may sleep here in peace until you awaken him to glory, for you are the resurrection and the life.

The he will see you face to face and in your light will see light and know the splendour of God, for you live and reign for ever and ever.

**ALL: Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE VERSE, read by Sophia**

**A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans**

**14:7-9**

*Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.*

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial psalm**

The Lord is My Shepherd *by Paul Gurr*

**GOSPEL READING**

Fr Cyprian: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And with your spirit.**

Fr Cyprian: A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew

**ALL: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.*

*5:1-12a*

When he saw the crowds, Jesus went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you, persecute you, and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**ALL: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HOMILY**

## **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL. Dean and Sienna.**

Fr Cyprian: Renewed in faith and hope by the word of God, the living water which flows for eternal life, we direct to the God of the living our humble prayer:

Sienna: Good and faithful Father, our brother Dario in his long earthly existence always entrusted himself to you, believing and hoping in eternal life; welcome him now into your fatherly arms and give him the grace to sing of your love in eternity. We pray to the Lord:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Dean: Father of believers, you who assure that neither death nor life, neither present nor future will ever separate us from your love, console those who suffer at the death of this our brother. We pray to the Lord:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Sienna: Father of the living, you call each of us by name; welcome into the eternal feast of your reign the brothers and sisters whom we remember and those who no one remembers. We pray to the Lord:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Dean: Father, glory of your people, you desire that all people be saved; may your Church be an efficacious sacrament of salvation for the life of the world. We pray to the Lord:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Sienna: For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness. Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Dean: For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face. Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Sienna: For the family and friends of Dario, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus. Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fr Cyprian: Holy Father, you now give leave to your servant Dario. to go in peace according to your word. On this earth his eyes recognize Christ Jesus, our salvation: admit him without delay to contemplate the light which in faith and hope he awaited. Through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

Fr Cyprian: Together, let us pray in the words Our Savior gave to us.

**ALL: OUR FATHER.**

## **Eulogy**

### **COMMITTAL**

Fr Cyprian: In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Dario and we commit his body to the ground, earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him and be gracious to him, the Lord lift his countenance upon him and give him peace. Amen.



## **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

Fr Cyprian: Loving God, from whom all life proceeds and by whose hand the dead are raised again. though we are sinners, you wish always to hear us. Accept the prayers we offer in sadness for your servant Dario, deliver his soul from death, number him among your saints and clothe him with the robe of salvation to enjoy for ever the delights of your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE**

Fr Cyprian: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

*All pray silently.*

Merciful Lord, you know the anguish of the sorrowful, you are attentive to the prayers of the humble. Hear your people who cry out to you in their need and strengthen their hope in your lasting goodness; We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

Fr Cyprian: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

**ALL: And let perpetual light shine upon him.**

Fr Cyprian: May he rest in peace.

**ALL: Amen.**

Fr Cyprian: May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**ALL: Amen**

**Final blessings.**











When I come to the end of my journey  
And I travel my last weary mile  
Just forget if you can, that I ever frowned  
And remember only the smile

Forget unkind words I have spoken  
Remember some good I have done  
Forget that I ever had heartache  
And remember I've had loads of fun

Forget that I've stumbled and blundered  
And sometimes fell by the way  
Remember I have fought some hard battles  
And won, at the close of the day

Then forget to grieve for my going  
I would not have you sad for a day  
But in summer just gather some flowers  
And remember the place where I lay

And come in the shade of evening  
When the sun paints the sky in the west  
Stand for a few moments beside me  
And remember only my best...



Thank you

*Our family wish to thank you for the love and support you have shown us by being here today.*

*We would also like to sincerely thank the Sister's of St Anne's and all the Staff of Scalabrini Village for the wonderful care and attention to Dario during his stay. We are forever grateful.*

*Please join us for some light refreshments at  
The Kidman Wayside Inn.*

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