

A close-up portrait of an elderly man with a mustache, wearing a blue cap and a striped shirt, smiling. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with greenery.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
**GEORGE
DE PAOLI**

8 SEPTEMBER 1947 - 30 JANUARY 2024



George De Paoli

Dearly loved husband of
Claudia

Much loved father and father-in-law of
Denise
Steven & Ashley

Adored Nonno of
Celine and Chevy

Brother and sister-in-law of
The Late Toni & The Late Carla De Paoli
The Late Renato & Rosella De Paoli
Alice & Vic Wilson

Pall Bearers

Rodney Minato	Greg Rossi
Ben Minato	Marcel Guidolin
Michael Reginato	Glen Villata

Organist
Mary Santos

Soloist
Mechlene Nehme

Friday 16 February 2024
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Griffith
Priest: Fr Connell

ENTRANCE HYMN: Here I am Lord sung by Mechlene Nehme

PLEASE STAND

WELCOME

WORDS OF REMBERANCE Steven De Paoli

OPENING PRAYER

Fr Connell: O God, almighty Father, our faith professes that your Son died and rose again; mercifully grant, that through this mystery your servant George, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again through Him, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PLEASE SIT

A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes (3:1 – 8.11)

Read by: Denise De Paoli

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven;
a time to be born and a time to die;
a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to break down and a time to build up;
a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek and a time to lose;
a time to keep and a time to throw away;
a time for war and a time for peace.
God has made everything suitable for its time.
The word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM The Lord is My Shepherd sung by Mechlene Nehme

A Reading from the Book of the Apocalypse (14:13)

Read by: Ashley De Paoli

I, John, heard a voice from heaven say to me, 'Write down: Happy are those who die in the Lord!
Happy indeed, the Spirit says; now they can rest forever after their work,
since their good deeds go with them.
The word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

PLEASE STAND

A reading from the Holy Gospel According to Matthew (5:1-12a,18)

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went onto the mountain and when he was seated his disciples came to him, Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

How blessed are the poor in spirit: the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

Blessed are the gentle: they shall have the earth as inheritance.

Blessed are those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for uprightness: they shall have their fill.

Blessed are the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Blessed are the pure in heart: they shall see God:

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be recognised as children of God,

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of uprightness: the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

Blessed are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you falsely on my account.

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

The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PLEASE SIT



PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PLEASE STAND

Read by: Olivia Salvestro and Rachel De Martin

Olivia Salvestro: Lord, we thank you for the gift of George. He taught us the joy and value of family, hard work and how to enjoy the simplicity of life. May all families be blessed with strong role models such as George. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Rachel De Martin: Lord, we take comfort in knowing George is now at peace. In your mercy, reunite him with his parents, his brothers and all the angels in heaven. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Olivia Salvestro: We pray for the comfort, health and future happiness of George's children, grandchildren and their families who gave him immense love during his life. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Rachel De Martin: May God bless all those who were involved with the care of George at the Wagga and Griffith Base Hospital after his accident. May God reinforce their strength and courage as they continue to help those in need. Lord hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Photo Tribute Jealous of the Angels - Donna Taggart

Recording Tribute Celine and Chevy De Paoli

FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

ALL: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Con Te Partiro - Andrea Bocelli











*until we
meet again*

WE THINK ABOUT YOU ALWAYS, WE TALK ABOUT YOU STILL,
YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN FORGOTTEN, AND YOU NEVER WILL,
WE HOLD YOU CLOSE WITHIN OUR HEARTS AND THERE YOU WILL REMAIN.
TO WALK AND GUIDE US THROUGH OUR LIVES, UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN.





Thank you

Claudia, Denise, Steven and Ashley wish to thank you for your expressions of sympathy, love and friendship during this difficult time.

We will always be grateful for your kindness, generosity and support.