



Peter Stavros Peterson

September 11, 1934 - March 31, 2017

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Peter S. Peterson (Panayiotis Stavros Psarakis), 82, of Fredericksburg, Virginia, passed away peacefully in his sleep Friday, 31 March 2017, after a lengthy illness. He was born to the late Stavros and Stavroula Psarakis, in Athens, Greece.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Mary Peterson (Papagiorgiou), their three children: two daughters Stavroula Psaraki Conrad (Christopher) and Angela Peterson Livanos (Arsenios) and son Steve Stavros Psarakis (Stefanie), all living in Virginia, and six grandchildren: Andreas and Nikitas Panayiotis Conrad, Caroline Panayiota and Maria Psarakis, living in Virginia; Kalli and Evangelos Livanos living in Athens, Greece; his niece Ioanna (Solon) Angelakis, and two nephews Manolis (Aspa) Angelakis and Stavros (Marilena) Angelakis. He is predeceased by his sister Marina (Giorgos) Angelakis of Athens, Greece.

As a child surviving both World War II and the Greek Civil War, Peter later served in the Greek Navy for two years. He learned to be a chef from his father, and took over the family's restaurant in Athens at age 17, when his father became ill. Peter emigrated to Detroit, Michigan in October 1966, working as a chef in Greek Town. He learned English, worked very long hours, established a home and then brought his wife and three young children from Greece in 1968. He went on to establish his own restaurants in Michigan – Peter's Family Restaurant in Farmington Hills and The Heritage in Union

Lake. Peter and his signature recipes were featured several times on local television. He retired and relocated with his wife to Virginia, to be close to his children and grandchildren. He was a devoted parishioner at Nativity of Our Lord Orthodox Church in Manassas.

Funeral service will be Saturday, 1 April, 11 A.M. at Nativity of Our Lord Orthodox Church, 8911 Weems Road, Manassas, Virginia. The burial will take place at The Sacred Monastery of Saint Nina, 9002 Clemsonville Road, Union Bridge, Maryland, with the traditional Makaria luncheon following.

Instead of flowers, the family asks that donations may be made to:

Orthodox Worker, Nativity of Our Lord Orthodox Church, 8911 Weems Road, Manassas, Virginia 20110.

May his memory be eternal!

Cemetery Details

St. Nina's Cemetery

9002 Clemsonville Road
Unionbridge, MD 21791

Previous Events

Service

APR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Nativity of our Lord Orthodox
8911 Weems Road
Manassas, VA

Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept my family’s heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in the fond memories of them, and The Almighty God’s promise to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth, as written in The Bible for our comfort.

Greene Family - April 13, 2017 at 10:32 AM

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“ A lovely and loving man, one knew when in his presence there was something very special about the moment. A feeling of welcome and calmness that made one feel blessed as part of his life and accepted as a member of his family. Peter, we will miss your physical presence, your pleasant smile and kind word, but your Memory Will Be Eternal.

Martin Shepherd - April 03, 2017 at 01:51 PM