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## **Rev Paul R Coppola**

BIRTH 19 Sep 1923

Buffalo, Erie County, New York, USA

DEATH 17 Nov 2006 (aged 83)

Tonawanda, Erie County, New York, USA

BURIAL Mount Calvary Cemetery

Cheektowaga, Erie County, New York, USA

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Rev. Paul R. Coppola, 83, was the son of Michael and Mary Louise Savarino Coppola. He attended several schools including the Diocesan Preparatory Seminary, Buffalo; Duquesne University, Pittsburgh; Boston University; New England Conservatory; St. Anselm Gregorian Institute, Manchester, New Hampshire; West Virginia University; and Eastman School of Music, Rochester. He attended seminary at St. Joseph Calicoon; St. Anthony, Catskill; and Mount Alvernia, Wappingers Falls. He was ordained a Franciscan Priest at Mount Alvernia Seminary in 1951.

Father Coppola entered the Diocese of Buffalo in 1962 and began serving as a teacher at Bishop Turner High School and as a weekend assistant at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, both in Buffalo.

He was incardinated into the Diocese of Buffalo in 1966 and served as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Portville; and St. Anthony, Lackawanna. He retired in 1983.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus; American Guild of Organists; St. Cecelia Society; Gregorian Institute; Honorary Rotarian and the Boys Club of America.

Father Coppola also served as a football, wrestling and baseball coach at Bishop Turner and as the choral director for St. Joseph New Cathedral, Buffalo.

## **Family Members**

## **Parents**

Michael Coppola 1885–1965



Mary Louise Savarino Coppola

## **Siblings**



Irene Coppola 1915–1947

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