



## Peter Jacobsen

October 4, 1930 - May 27, 2015

Obituary of Peter Jacobsen  
The Very Reverend Peter A. Jacobsen, an archpriest of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America, died on May 27, 2015 in Orlando, Florida with family members at his side. Fr. Peter was 84 years of age and had recently moved to Orlando after having served as rector of St. Basil the Great Orthodox Church of Silver Springs, FL. Prior to joining the Orthodox Church seventeen years ago, Father Peter served as an Episcopal parish priest for over 30 years. Fr. Peter was born in Buffalo, NY on October 4, 1930 to Asta and Arthur Jacobsen. The family moved to Floral Park, NY where he graduated from high school, then continued his education at New York University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. Fr. Peter also earned a Master of Music Education degree from Holy Names University in Oakland, CA. Fr. Peter was an active musician and conductor, having played violin in both the Bridgeport (CT) and Hudson Valley (NY) Symphony Orchestras, as well as, the conductor of the North Fork Chamber Orchestra of Long Island. Father Peter was a professor at Sullivan County Community College (NY) where he taught music, humanities and philosophy, conducted many choral concerts and directed several well received Gilbert & Sullivan operettas. Fr. Peter is preceded in death by his wife, Janet Chase, and two sons, Philip and Paul. He is survived by his brother Clifford, of Lexington, KY, and daughter and son-in-law Claire and Joseph Hodge of Orlando, FL, Ashley & Kailen Hodge of Boston, MA, Janet Hodge Jones of Orlando, FL, daughter and son-in-law Martha and John Fisichello of Mathews, NC, Maria Fisichello

Lopez and Connie Fisichello McCollister of Washington, DC, Mario Fisichello of Matthews, NC, daughter Jane Perez of Wurtsboro, NY, and daughter-in-law Sheila Smith Jacobsen of Rock Hill, NY, Alexandria Jacobsen Schmoeger of Pine Bush, NY, Spencer Jacobsen and Alyson Gallegos of Rock Hill, NY and Alexander Gallegos of Brooklyn, NY and 3 great-grandchildren. Funeral arrangements are being coordinated by Roberts Funeral Home, 606 SW 2nd Avenue, Ocala, 352-622-4141. There will be a viewing and visitation at St. Basil the Great Orthodox Church at 3:30 PM on Saturday, May 30, just prior to the Funeral Liturgy at 4:00 PM. The church address is 5200 NE 29th Street, Silver Springs, FL. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Hospice of Marion County PO Box 4860 Ocala, FL 34478. Interment with Graveside Service will take place in Maple Grove Cemetery, Kew Gardens, NY.

# Tribute Wall

PF

“ I just received the news about Fr Peters passing. We love you dad. He was with us only a short while at St. Luke in Mooresville NC but he left a lasting impact on my whole family. What a kind and generous man. He was so insiteful and knowledgable. He will be missed. May his memory be eternal.

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**Patricia Sharawy and family** - June 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Family, Please except our condolences for you and your families. Father Peter was our interim Priest at St. Luke Greek Orthodox Church in Mooresville, N.C. in 2005 and his kind soul and giving spirit touched so many and will never be forgotten. He was truly a wonderful man. We are saddened by your loss. However, we celebrate the life of Father Peter, and we know he will continue to pray for us as we will pray for him and the family as well. May his memory be eternal.

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**Andre and Tammy Pollard** - June 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“Dearest Jacobsen clan, I was shocked and saddened to hear of the falling asleep in Christ of my good friend Father Peter Jacobsen. I was honoured as a seminarian to serve with Fr Peter at his Western Rite Orthodox mission in Bullville, NY. He was a holy priest, dedicated to the liturgical service of the Divine Majesty, an effective preacher, and a wonderful confessor. I will miss him very much. My sincerest condolences to his family, and especially Paul and Sheila and their dear family. I will celebrate, here at Silverstream Priory, a Requiem Mass this week for dear Father Peter, and enroll him in our perpetual Mass intentions. Memory eternal! May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. P.S. I wonder if one of the Paul Jacobsen family might get into contact with me by email?

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**Father Benedict (Benjamin) Andersen, OSB** - June 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FH

“Father Peter served as our interim priest in the spring of 2009 while our mission, St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, was still in formation. He officiated at our daughter's wedding, and was a guest in our home for about three months. He was certainly a unique and gifted man, and my wife and I, our family, and our church family will certainly hold Father Peter in our hearts and memory. I remembered Father Peter yesterday at the altar for the Feast of Pentecost, and will continue to pray for the repose of his soul, and for peace and comfort for his family. May the soul of Father Peter, with the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. May light perpetual shine upon him, and may his memory be eternal. In Christ, Father James Hamrick St. John the Baptist Mission Lewistown, Maryland

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**Father James K. Hamrick** - June 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are so very sorry to learn of Fr. Peter's passing. He Christmated my husband, Stanley, into the Orthodox Church, many years ago, in New York. May Father Peter's memory be eternal! Deepest condolences to the family.

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**Kathryn Strysko** - May 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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**Rachel Stahl** - May 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM



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