



Fr. Willard Terence Coughlin Sehl

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Sehl, Fr. Willard Terence Coughlin:

October 28, 1943 - September 25, 2023

Peacefully passed away on Monday, September 25, 2023 at his home in Belwood at the age of 79 and is now awaiting his judgement!! Pray for him!!! *"Lord have mercy on his soul".*

Born in Kitchener to Dr. Willard Anthony Sehl, MD, and Norma Ann (nee Coughlin), BHSc.

Brother of Eleanor (Bob) Buchanan of Kitchener, Margaret Sehl of Guelph and Thomas Sehl (Therese) of Waterdown. Also missed by his 9 nephews and nieces, David (Jennifer) and Heather Buchanan, Joel and Daniel Densmore, Rachel (Magnus), Peter (Lindsey), Hannah, Bethany (Tawab) and Jonathan Sehl, and by his 3 great nieces Kristian (aka Kady) Buchanan, Madelyn and Eleanor Sehl.

Fr. Terry was educated beyond his intelligence at St. Mary's Separate, St. Jerome's High School, Resurrection College, University of Waterloo (B.A. Philosophy), St. Augustine's Seminary (Sacred Theology), University of Ottawa (MEd Administration), Pope St. John XXIII Seminary in Weston (Boston), Massachusetts (MDiv).

He then received his Ontario Elementary Teacher's Certificate and taught in Elfrieda, Kitchener, Galt, and Hespeler for the next 20 years.

He indulged his love of the natural world by taking many trips overseas, cruises and many, many canoe trips into the wilderness of Northern Ontario and Canada's High Arctic. The ultimate trip was into the Nahanni River Valley, a place where one can sense the existence of God and experience His power, majesty and beauty.

Upon his return, he began his second career by studying theology by entering Pope St. John XXIII Seminary in Weston, Massachusetts leading to the great day of ordination on May 4, 1991 at the Basilica Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton by Bishop A.F. Tonnos D.D.

He then served in parishes in Guelph, Galt, Milton, Linwood (Macton), Kitchener, Mildmay (Carlsruhe) . During his time in Kitchener, he ran for and was elected handily two times as a trustee of the Waterloo District Catholic School Board and served for 5 years. He retired from full time ministry to his tiny cottage home "Tullamore" on Lake Belwood.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, October 1, 2023 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Henry Walser Funeral Home, 507 Frederick St., Kitchener 519-749-8467. Prayers will be offered at 4:30 p.m.

Visitation will continue on Monday, October 2, 2023 at St. Joseph Parish, 760 David St. N., Fergus from 9:00 - 9:45 a.m.

The Funeral Mass will take place at 10 a.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023 at St. Joseph Parish, Fergus followed by a reception in the church hall.

Burial will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023 in the Priest's Plot at Woodland Cemetery, 119 Arlington Blvd., Kitchener.

Donations would be appreciated by The Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha (cards available at the funeral home).

Service Details

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Visitation

When

Sunday, October 1st, 2023 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Location

Henry Walser Funeral Home Ltd.

Address

507 Frederick St.

Kitchener, ON N2B 2A5

Second Visitation

When

Monday, October 2nd, 2023 9:00am - 9:45am

Location

St. Joseph's R.C. Church

Address

760 St. David Street N.

Fergus, ON N1M 2K9

Service

When

Monday, October 2nd, 2023 10:00am

Location

St. Joseph's R.C. Church

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Donations are being accepted for: **CARMEL OF ST. JOSEPH.**