



John F. Daly III

September 6, 1942 - December 8, 2021

John F. Daly III, 79, of West Hartford passed away on a feast day in the Catholic Church, December 8, 2021. Born in Hartford to John Francis Daly, Jr. and Marion McCarthy Daly on September 6, 1942. He was raised in West Hartford and attended the St. Thomas Aquinas High School in New Britain, Providence College, where he took a bachelor's degree in history, the University of Saint Joseph, from which he was awarded a Master of Arts degree, and the Bridgeport School of Law (now the Quinnipiac School of Law), from which he received a Juris Doctor degree. He was a lifelong devoted Catholic and, until his infirmity, attended Mass regularly, serving often as a lector at the St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Driven by a commitment to social justice, John F. Daly, III was an esteemed attorney at law in Connecticut and staunch advocate for civil rights in his legal practice. He served as a Hearing Officer for the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, as an attorney at Community Legal Services, and as the principal of his own law firm. John served, too, as a member of the West Hartford Board of Tax Review. A lifelong Democrat, John served as President of the West Hartford Young Democrats and as a Vice President of the Connecticut Young Democrats. A long-term member of the West Hartford Democratic Town Committee, John gave generously to help elect Democratic candidates at the local, state, and national levels. John was a cultured gentleman, unusually well read in literature, biography, and history, with a special interest in American and political history. He was a fervent defender of

the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Connecticut, his knowledge of which was profound. A man who lived his faith, John was a wise, kind, compassionate, loyal, and loving friend to many. Throughout his life, and even in his final days, John exhibited the patience, grace, and humanity for which he was known. He will be very missed. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Ave. West Hartford CT 06119 (handicapped parking and access available from back lot at Church). Burial will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Donations in his memory may be made to support the good work of St. Thomas the Apostle Church <https://www.stawh.org/give> or to the Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center <https://www.holyfamilyretreat.org/ways-of-giving> Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Saint Benedict

1 Cottage Grove Road
Bloomfield, CT

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle
872 Farmington Ave.
West Hartford, CT
(860) 233-8269

Tribute Wall

AP

“ *Angelica Perez lit a candle in memory of John F. Daly III*



Angelica Perez - August 16, 2022 at 10:01 AM

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“ *John was very special to me. We were members of Young Democrats together and had some very special times.*

I will truly miss him!

Tom Guzzo

thomas guzzo - December 13, 2021 at 10:47 AM

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“ A conversation with John could lead anywhere -- wandering from history, politics, or comparative religions to law, language, literature, belief vs. doubt, or the problem of evil. Wherever it led, John was ready -- informed, combative, persuasive, and always in good humor.

And his memory -- the news, the names, the nuns, he loved to reminisce!

John was no stranger to challenges. He knew well what it was to confront long odds, which he did resolutely. Perhaps that is one reason, among many, that he never lost his heart for the unfortunate, the underdog, and for any person in need.

He died as he had lived -- faith-filled, un-embittered, and without guile.

Above all, a good man, honest and kind. Rest In Peace, my friend.

--Tom Missett, Southington, CT

Tom Missett - December 12, 2021 at 03:32 PM

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“ John was a good friend for many years, long after we graduated from St. Thomas the Apostle school in West Hartford. He was a very generous person and assisted many, many people throughout his life. I remember his devotion to the West Hartford Young democrats years ago. He had a very excellent education which he used all through his life. He had health problems for years, but it did not seem to stop him from the law and life long goals. His knowledge of the Law was extremely good and he served the less advantaged people, whenever he was asked. Everyone that knew John will miss him.

James Clevenger

James Clevenger - December 11, 2021 at 02:19 PM