

He Was Priest, Bishop, Decorated Military Officer, Episcopal Moderator, Leader, & Lover

Jack & Karen Baker, eMatrimony Editors

Bishop Jack Kaising, 70, died on Saturday of a heart attack in Washington, DC.



Bishop Jack Kaising

Bishop Jack has been a dedicated priest working in WWME for more than 25 years, serving as a Presenting Team priest, part of many Leadership Ecclesial Teams, a Cadre Priest, a key participant on several Convention Outline Committees, many other roles and most recently as our WWME Episcopal Moderator since January, 2005. Following his ordination as Auxiliary Bishop of the Military Services in 2000, he continued to serve both his new worldwide archdiocese and WWME in many ways. In his most recent role, he was an avid supporter of WWME to all the Bishops who serve on the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

In addition to all these WWME roles, Bishop Jack was an inspiring man to know, a good friend to many couples and priests, as well as a dedicated priest who firmly supported our WWME mission.

A native of Cincinnati and a graduate of Elder School, the Athenaeum of Ohio and Xavier University, Bishop Kaising was ordained to the priesthood at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral on December 22, 1962. Father Kaising served as a chaplain in the United States Army between August 1969 and June 1998 when he retired as a full colonel. During his military duty he served in several army posts throughout the United States, the Pacific, Germany and a year in Vietnam. In February 2000, after a year and half as pastor of St. Dominic Parish in Delhi Township, he was appointed by Pope John Paul II as auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese for Military Services USA.

Bishop Kaising's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star with One Oak Leaf Cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with Four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal, the Army Commendation Medal and the Army Achievement Medal.

There are four services scheduled for Bishop Jack. The first will be a memorial service on Friday, **01/19 at 10:00 am at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.** The second memorial service will be on Tuesday, **01/23 at 8:00 am at the USCCB Chapel in Washington, DC.** The funeral service will be held on Tuesday, **01/23 at 2:00 pm at St. Dominic's in Cincinnati, OH.** The fourth service will be held near Tampa, FL on Friday, **01/26 at 7:00 pm at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Valrico, FL.**

If you would like to send a Mass card or a note of support to Bishop Jack's family, please send it to his sister at:

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Please join us in prayer for the repose of the soul of our very good friend Bishop Jack Kaising