



Rev. Richard T. Hannon, 83, of Northford, died Monday December 31, 2012 at his home. He had been the beloved husband of the late Alicia Walker Hannon.

Father Hannon was born in Concord, NH, February 24, 1929, a son of the late Richard S. and Margaret Heffernan Hannon, and was a Northford resident for 2 years. Following the death of his wife, he entered Holy Apostle's Seminary in Cromwell and was ordained a Roman Catholic Priest and had served the Gaylord Diocese in Michigan for 17 years until his retirement 4 years ago.

Father Hannon attended St. John's Catholic Schools in Concord, New Hampshire, graduating in 1948. After raising a family and the death of his wife, he attended Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, Connecticut. He came to the Diocese of Gaylord in 1992 and was ordained on June 11, 1993 at Saint Mary Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cathedral in Gaylord by the Most Reverend Patrick R. Cooney.

After his ordination, Father Richard served as Associate Pastor for the parishes of Immaculate Conception in Traverse City, St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord, Holy Redeemer in Vanderbilt, St. Thomas Aquinas in Elmira and St. Michael in Roscommon. He served as Administrator for St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Elmira in 1996 as well as Sacramental Minister for Holy Redeemer Parish in Vanderbilt and St. John Nepomucene Parish in Praga. He was appointed as Pastor for St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Elmira on July 1, 1998 and served there until he retired on June 15, 2008 and moved back to Connecticut.

Father Hannon is survived by his son, Patrick J. Hannon, Sr., and his wife Marilyn of Northford; his daughter Maureen Powell and her husband David of Winsted; his grandchildren, Patrick J. Hannon, Jr., Ann Marie Maguder, Stacey Mendillo, Timothy Powell, and Michael Powell; his brother, Patrick Hannon and his wife Claudia of Salisbury, MD, 9 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife Alicia, he was predeceased by his son Richard T. Hannon, Jr., and brother Daniel Hannon.

His family will receive relatives and friends in The Wallingford Funeral Home, 809 North Main St., Wallingford, Friday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. when the funeral cortege will proceed to St. Francis Cabrini Church, North Haven, where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Interment will be in St. Bernard Cemetery in New Haven. In lieu of flowers, gifts in his memory may be sent to the Make-a-Wish Foundation, 126 Monroe Turnpike, Trumbull, CT 06611.