

In the Father's House

«As we have been united
in the profession of the faith,
so let us keep ourselves united
in suffrage and intercession».
(Fr Alberione)



In the early hours of yesterday, Saturday 4 May 2024, he died in Verduno hospital (Cuneo) due to cardiorespiratory failure

BROTHER GIUSEPPINO ANGELO SOLINAS *81 years, 67 of Pauline life, 59 of profession*

Giuseppino was born in Suni (Nuoro) on 9 March 1943 to parents Salvatore and Mariangela Soddu. He entered the community of Alba on 15 September 1956, began his Novitiate on 7 September 1962, made his First Religious Profession on 20 August 1964, taking the name Angelo, and was definitively consecrated with Perpetual Profession on 8 September 1969.

He began his apostolic life in the community of Albano Laziale engaged in various activities in the music-recording sector, where he remained for many years, until 1997. Since the community of Albano Laziale was the seat of the Novitiate, he had the opportunity to meet many Pauline novices, whom he guided and trained, above all by example, in the apostolic field, remaining well imprinted in the minds and hearts of those who will continue to remember him in future years. In 1997, brother Solinas was transferred to Cinisello Balsamo (MI), in charge of the warehouse, a role he had already carried out in Albano Laziale. He will remain in Cinisello Balsamo until September 2023, when he will be transferred to the infirmary of Alba Casa Madre, where he will remain until the definitive call from the Lord.

Brother Solinas was a faithful disciple, according to the thoughts of Don Alberione, dynamic, active, generous and above all humble, sober, a tireless and intelligent apostle. He did not let his role of responsibility in the apostolic sphere weigh heavily, although he was demanding of himself and also asked for the best from others. Although fully dedicated to the apostolate, he never missed community life appointments and prayer: always faithful. He was also very generous: he willingly made his birthplace near the sea in Suni (OR) in Sardinia available for the summer rest of many Confreres.

In the years in which he was in Albano Laziale he was completely dedicated to the apostolate of shipping and disseminating the works of the music and record sector. He had a real zeal for the apostolate. By personally receiving orders for records and audio cassettes over the telephone, he had established a friendly relationship with the confreres and the Daughters of Saint Paul Sisters who dealt with the music sector in the bookstores. He was highly appreciated for his speed and precision in transcribing orders. "Some brothers familiarly called him 'Sun' – recalls a confrere – thus shortening his surname; but perhaps with that way of calling him they also wanted to indicate his generous, serene and always joyful personality like the light of the sun."

And another brother recalls: "He was our 'head of the apostolate' and we received our apostolic tasks from him every day. And when something was

difficult, he encouraged us with the phrase that has become famous: 'Just do it!'. Not to discourage us, but to encourage us to do better."

May the Lord welcome this brother of ours, who on August 20th would have celebrated the 60th anniversary of his profession, and grant him the eternal joy of his kingdom, while we ask him to intercede for numerous and holy vocations of Brother Disciples in our Congregation.

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Father Vito Spagnolo, ssp

The funeral will be celebrated on Tuesday 7 May at 9:30 AM in the Saint Paul Church in Alba. The body will be buried in the city cemetery.

The Circumscription Superiors should inform their communities for the prescribed suffrages (Const. 65 and 65.1).