

SOCIETÀ SAN PAOLO
General House



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

(Fr. Alberione)

This morning at 1.30, in the hospital at Alba (Cuneo), our brother disciple has returned to the house of the Father.

BR. SALVATORE GIUSEPPE LIETO
66 years, 55 of Pauline life, 46 of profession

His passing away has been caused as a consequence of a stroke that happened a year and a half ago, an illness that has gradually led him to face multiple complications.

Born in Palagonia (Catania, Italy) on 5 September 1949, brother Salvatore enters the Congregation in the community of Catania on 17 September 1960. He remains there for seven years, showing very quickly his good spirit, sociable and available. In this his first community he has learned love for the apostolate done in the paperback binding sector, a commitment that will accompany him all his life, and that, aided by his confreres, has grown in that simple and convinced faith that belonged to him since he was young.

After his novitiate in Ostia Lido (Rome) from 1967 to 1969, he makes here his first profession on 8 September 1969. He leaves soon for Alba (1969-1972) working first at the rotocalco of Famiglia Cristiana and then in the paperback binding sector. Brother Salvatore must leave, still committed in the same sector, first for Rome (1972-1974), then for Modena (1974-1975), then for Vicenza (1975-1981). In this last community he makes himself available to change apostolate: from 1978 to 1981 he is committed in the Sanpaolofilm agency in Padua. His last city will again be Alba (1981-2015), first in the community of the Motherhouse, again in the paperback binding sector, then after a sudden stroke which forces him to receive the needed cures, in the community of Divine Providence.

Regarding brother Salvatore we want to remember his style of simple and essential life, his ability to be cheerful, his sometimes “impulsiveness.” He is always ready to receive all. His generosity and availability have become apostolic qualities, traits that he has lived while living in several communities and that emerged both in his rapports with his confreres and with people in general. His life has been full of relations, beautiful and often sought for, in Vicenza as in Alba. His love for chant and for liturgical animation have become his greatest passions, expressed in a particular way in the Temple of Saint Paul in Alba, but also in various parishes, always receiving words of gratitude.

«Lieto (happy) both in name and in fact; serene and jovial...», wrote about him Fr G. Timothy Franza, his novice master while presenting him to the Superiors for admission to the first profession. Thus do we remember him, grateful to the Lord for what brother Salvatore has been and has shared with us: the Pauline vocation, love for the apostolate while living as a true disciple of the Master, school of availability following the steps of Jesus.

We now entrust brother Salvatore Lieto to the love of God, together with all the apostolic good accomplished by him, sure that what remains is charity. May he also exult in the heavenly liturgy together with our Blesseds James and Timothy, brother Andrea Borello and very many Paulines who are now in heaven. We accompany this our brother with our suffrage so that he may enjoy forever that happiness that only God gives to his children.

Rome, 10 November 2015

Fr Domenico Soliman

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

His funeral will take place on Wednesday, 11 November at 3 p.m., in the Temple of Saint Paul in Alba. His remains will then be buried in the city cemetery.