



Atty. Peter P. Simoni

November 27, 1930 - September 21, 2025

With great sadness the family of Pete Simoni announces his passing on Sunday September 21, 2025, at Heritage Valley Sewickley. Born on November 27, 1930, he was the youngest child born to Valterina (Refice), and Luigi Simoni. Precocious and bright, he would often tag along with his older brothers to the library, reading as many books as he could. In addition to crediting the support of his family, Pete attributed his early success to his Principal Elizabeth Skeehan and later to teacher Caroline Theil. One of "The '49'er's", Pete excelled both in and out of the classroom, graduating second in his high school class. He also played on the football team and was Sports Editor of the Quip Script. In years to follow he was often the Master of Ceremonies at many of the 1949 reunions.

A 1953 honors graduate of Duquesne University, Pete was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and served his country in the United States Army. Stationed at Fort Sill in Oklahoma, he coached the base football team to attain championship status. Returning to Aliquippa, Pete obtained his Juris Doctorate at the University of Pittsburgh in 1958.

Admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar in 1959, he was elected to or asked to take part in many Pennsylvania Legislative and Democratic committees. Pete was proud to be a lifelong Democrat. In private practice, he would serve the community as Solicitor of the Aliquippa School Board, and as an Assistant

District Attorney of Beaver County. He kept his Practice of Law for fifty years.

Pete's Italian heritage was center to his family life. He and his secretary, his sister, Ann, served many Italian families with legal matters in both Italy and the US. Honoring his roots and his Patrican parents, from his First Holy Communion to this year, Pete participated in eighty-three San Rocco Celebrations and processions. Along with other family members, he was a San Rocco statue carrier and later served as Parade Marshall.

Growing up on Plan 7, all the Simoni children worked in the family store, "The League of Nations," as Pete called it. Plan 7 instilled in him a great sense of community. Throughout the years, he belonged to many local clubs and community organizations and had the innate ability to bring people together. Pete always helped others, whether it was writing a school recommendation, finding someone a job, or providing legal assistance, he was always there. When neighbors threatened to put a stop to the San Rocco fireworks, Pete, then School Solicitor arranged for the fireworks to be set off from the football field.

A devoted Aliquippa fan and lifelong sports enthusiast, Pete announced High School games for WMBA. Dear to the kids in the community was "Playground Pete". He would play 5 on 5 with high school and college hoopsters with players from surrounding towns coming to Laughlin School for a game.

Not only a sports enthusiast, Pete loved history, good movies, Opera and the Broadway stage. His many trips to New York were among his fondest memories. From "Turandot" to "Barefoot in the Park", he knew the actors, the performance and the theatre staging each production. His collection of movies is endless.

Throughout the years, Pete remained engaged in current events and politics,

relishing news from friends and associates, especially from longtime friend, Sharon Danovich Lupone and her husband, John. He remained interested in Quip basketball and football scores, and was kept informed of Beaver County's news and events through Sharon's faithful daily phone calls.

Predeceased by his parents, siblings Albert (Bea), Maria, Tillie (Slim) Morelli, Rely, Anthony (Sarah), Ann, Joseph (Liz) and Mario, Pete was the last surviving member of his immediate family, and became known and loved as the family's patriarch. He was also predeceased by several nephews including, Louis Simoni, Jim Wilson, Michael Simoni, and Joseph Horzempa, and a niece, Michelle Simoni. Uncle Pete, as he is fondly referred to by all who loved him is survived by his many nieces and nephews, including Dina Simoni, Albert Simoni, Jr., Rich (Jan) Morelli, Ron (Bernie) Morelli, Daryl (Janet) Simoni, Marianna (Ed) Snyder, Val Wilson, Georgiann Skiba, Francis (Jodi) Simoni, Jacqueline Sloane, Bill (Bonnie) Simoni, Bernadette Simoni (Robert) Olack, Rosanne (Terry L.) Russo, Mary Frances Horzempa, and Joseph C. Simoni. A host of great nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews, and great-great-great nieces and nephews also survive.

Friends will be received on Wednesday, September 24th from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 at Anthony Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home, 2026 McMinn Street, Aliquippa.

Departing prayers will begin at 9:30 am on Thursday, September 25th at Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Mary Queen of Saints Parish, St. Titus Roman Catholic Church, 952 Franklin Avenue, Aliquippa, where Pete was a lifetime member and served as an usher.

Immediately following Mass, Pete will be laid to rest at Mount Olivet Cemetery, 2186 Broadhead Road, Aliquippa.

“Oh, the days dwindle down to a precious few
September, November
And these few precious days
I’ll spend with you
These few precious days
I’ll spend with you.”

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

Brodhead Road
Aliquippa, PA 15001

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 24. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Anthony Mastrofrancesco FH Inc.
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Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **25.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Titus Roman Catholic Church
952 Franklin Ave
Aliquippa, PA 15001

Tribute Wall

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“ *Uncle Pete will be sorely missed. He was a great friend & terrific patriot. Our thoughts & prayers are with his family especially Ron & Bernie & Rich & Jan. May he rest in peace. Love & Prayers. Alex & Donna George*

Alex George - September 30, 2025 at 10:20 PM

RO

“ *I only knew Mr. Simoni from church. He was always polite and a true gentleman. I will miss seeing him and his cheerful "Have a great week!"*

Rose

Rose - September 25, 2025 at 12:28 PM

MS

“ *Pete was kind, soft spoken, humble and caring. He was genuine and, in his quiet way, he always acted in a manner that preserved the dignity and honor of the legal profession. He was loyal to his hometown, Aliquippa and to his Church, St. Titus, where he served as an usher up to two weeks of his passing. A cherished part of Aliquippa and Beaver County has quietly faded away and he will be missed by many but greeted at the doors of heaven by those whose lives were made better by Pete.*

Mitch Shahan

Mitchell Shahan - September 25, 2025 at 06:16 AM

TF

“ *The Martin Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Atty. Peter P. Simoni.*



The Martin Family - September 24, 2025 at 12:36 PM

JS

“ *A truly good guy. Jeff Small*

jeff small - September 24, 2025 at 08:42 AM