



## Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D, M.D

May 18, 2016

Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D., M.D., age 77, of Edina, MN, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on May 18, 2016. Dr. Maletta was born on June 8, 1938 in Paterson, NJ. He was preceded in death by his parents, Michael and Christina Maletta, and is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Barbara; his children Elizabeth (Richard) Stoeckel, Keith (Marcy Thompson) Maletta and Matthew (Kristina) Maletta; his grandchildren Richard Stoeckel, Adriana Maletta and an unborn grandchild due later this year; his brother Michael (Judith) Maletta; his sister Judith (Jerry) Wisnofsky; and many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Dr. Maletta graduated from Paterson Eastside High School and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from Fairleigh Dickinson University, where he was also a varsity letterman in baseball. Dr. Maletta obtained his Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in physiology from the University of California, Berkeley, and his Medical Degree from Case Western Reserve University. After completing his residency in psychiatry, Dr. Maletta served as Director of the Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Center at the Minneapolis VA Medical Center and later as its Associate Chief of Staff for Geriatrics and Extended Care. Dr. Maletta was also a longstanding Clinical Professor at the University of Minnesota Medical School. Among his many achievements, Dr. Maletta was a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, a Fellow of the American College of Psychiatrists and co-authored the widely used textbook "Principles and Practices of Geriatric Psychiatry." Dr. Maletta

died as he had lived: with remarkable integrity, an indomitable spirit and faith, and grateful for a life enriched by enduring friendships and a love of his chosen vocation. Dr. Maletta's professional aspiration was to faithfully praise God through compassionate care and service to his patients, their families and his students. Most important, however, were his roles as husband, father and grandfather, and he will continue to inspire, guide and enrich the lives of his devoted family. A reception will be held on Sunday, May 22, 2016 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, 5000 W. 50th St., Edina, MN 55436. Visitation will take place on Monday, May 23, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at The Catholic Church of Christ the King, 5029 Zenith Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55410, immediately followed by a Catholic Funeral Mass beginning at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served following the Mass. Private interment at Resurrection Cemetery, Mendota Heights, MN. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Share the Health was purchased for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.*



May 22, 2016 at 07:27 PM



“ *Dr. Maletta was a great and fun influence while growing up with his son Keith. He was always calm, positive, and had a great smile. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family for their loss.*

*David Samuels and the Samuels Family*

David Samuels - May 22, 2016 at 02:52 PM



*yes David we saw your folks at the memorial. it was great to see them but i wish under better circumstances.*

Eloizabeth Maletta Stoeckel - May 24, 2016 at 08:22 AM



“ *George Gordon and the Gordon family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.*



George Gordon and the Gordon family - May 21, 2016 at 09:28 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



May 20, 2016 at 04:43 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



May 20, 2016 at 03:17 PM



“ *Silken Serenity Casket Spray* was purchased for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



May 20, 2016 at 01:49 PM



“ *Doug, Georgia, Dimitri and Eleni Ingram* purchased the *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray* for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



**Doug, Georgia, Dimitri and Eleni Ingram** - May 20, 2016 at 01:21 PM

LL

“ Love & Hugs, Don, Mary & Jennifer Landry purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



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**Love & Hugs, Don, Mary & Jennifer Landry** - May 20, 2016 at 11:49 AM

TF

“ The Petrocelli Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



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**The Petrocelli Family** - May 19, 2016 at 08:37 PM

SB

“ Dearest Maletta Family - You are all such a special part of my childhood and I can hardly express my sadness and sympathy for Gabe's passing. You are all in my prayers and I know that My Mom will be greeting Your Dad and easing his passage. My love and condolences, Shannon (Griffiths) Bogan.

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**Shannon Bogan** - May 19, 2016 at 08:07 PM



“ Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gabriel Joseph Maletta, Ph.D,M.D.



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May 19, 2016 at 03:16 PM

RD

“ Keith - *Between the dash! I once read it's not the beginning or the end that matters--it's what you did between the dash. I know your father thru you. He raised a fine son and his legacy of compassion and kindness thru strength and wisdom lives on thru you and your siblings. Your father's "between the dash time" is a success and his mission is complete. His soul is now set free!*

*Condolences to your family. Keep the Faith!*

*Ric*

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**Ric Darling** - May 19, 2016 at 02:52 PM

KM

“ *Uncle Gabe, What I will miss, is hearing that infectious laugh!! What I will miss seeing are those warm brown eyes with those crows feet. A sign of the smiles you shared. There are NO words to say how sad I am. But I take such great comfort knowing that you are now in the loving arms of your mother; a place I know you longed to be. I am so proud of my dad that he was able to be there for you and was able to be a source of comfort and solace for Aunt Barbara, Liz, Keith and Matthew. I love you and will miss you. Your niece Karen Maletta-Stafford and husband Michael.*

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**Karen Maletta-Stafford** - May 19, 2016 at 02:08 PM

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*Dr. Maletta had a great smile and sense of humor at BCBSMN. We all really enjoyed his spirit and genuine nature. He will be missed. Blessings to his family at this hard time. Stephanie Lund*

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**Stephanie** - May 20, 2016 at 03:05 PM