The Reverend John Joseph Molloy, O.P.

After a long illness, Father John J. Mulloy, O.P., died October 31st at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital in Providence, R.I. At the time, Father Molloy was head of the English Department at Providence College, where he had taught for more than fifteen years.

Father Molloy was born in New York City on November 22, 1909, the son of the late John P. and Margaret (Gibbons) Molloy. He attended Fordham University before applying for admission to the Dominican Order. He took his seminary studies at River Forest, Ill.; St. Joseph’s, Somerset, Ohio; and the House of Studies in Washington, D.C., where he also attended Catholic University. Bishop John M. McNamara ordained him priest on June 16, 1938. Father Molloy taught at Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio, until 1944, at which time he resumed studies at Catholic University before being assigned to teach at Providence College.


Burial was at the Providence College Cemetery on the campus, where the Rev. Ernest Hogan, O.P., read the committal prayers, assisted by the Very Rev. V. C. Dore, O.P., president of the College, and the Rev. T. H. McBrien, O.P., chaplain.

Father Molloy is survived by Mr. Peter Molloy, a brother. To the family and Brethren and many friends of this well-loved Dominican, Dominicana extends sincere sympathy.