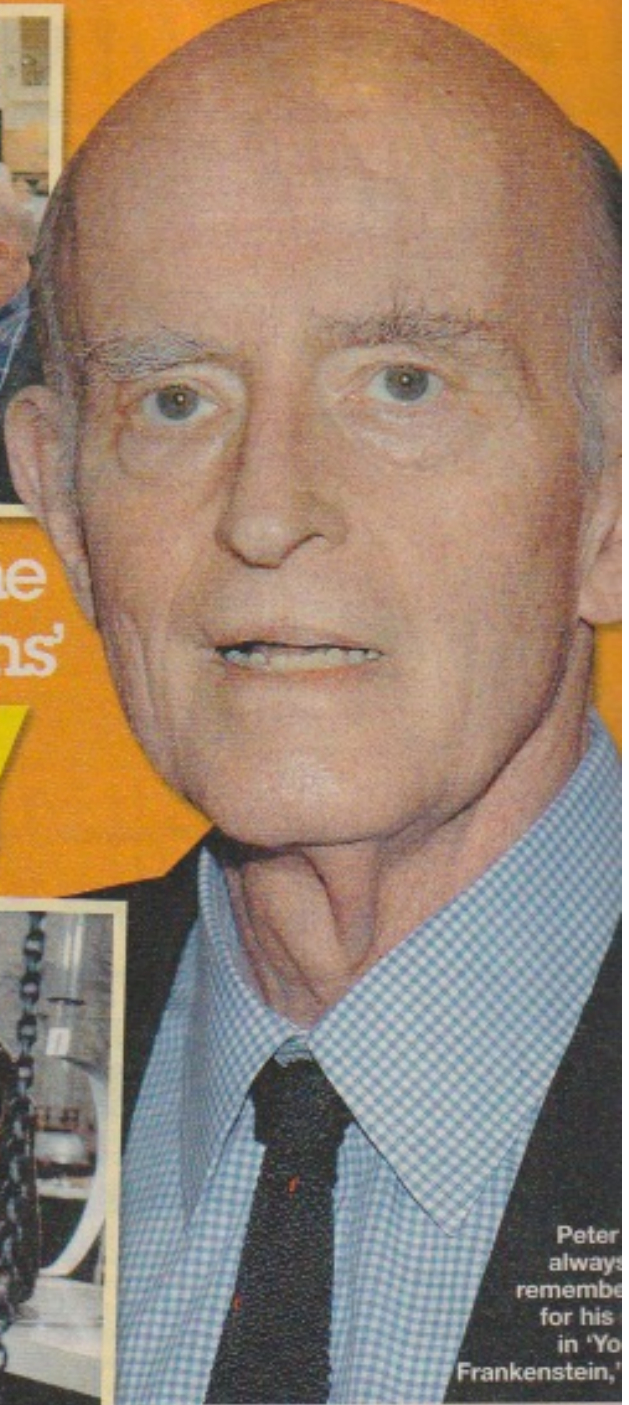




Peter with wife Loraine



Peter always remember for his in 'Yo Frankenstein.'

Actor died happy, knowing he had lived the life of his dreams'

EVERYBODY LOVED PETER BOYLE



PETER BOYLE died a happy man. As he lay dying in a Manhattan hospital, the 71-year-old "Everybody Loves Raymond" star told his wife and two daughters that he had lived the life of his dreams. "Peter had achieved all his goals - a loving family life, a successful career and the unwavering devotion of lifelong friends. He was completely satisfied with how his life turned out," a friend of the popular actor told The ENQUIRER. "After his first stroke in 1990, Peter thought his life

was over. But he bounced back and became a huge TV star, and achieved his most important dream - to provide well for his family, whom he loved more than life itself." **PETER'S STROKE IN 1990** left him unable to speak for six months. But he made a miraculous recovery, and in 1996 was cast as Ray Romano's cantankerous father Frank in the hit TV series. In spite of a mild heart attack in 1999, he enjoyed 10 years of relatively good health.

But as The ENQUIRER reported exclusively in September, the star was in and out of the hospital for most of the summer. He was suffering from heart disease, and shortly afterward was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, a type of blood cell cancer. When top cardiologists and oncologists in New York City determined he was too ill to endure treatment, they

sent him home. "Peter was bed-ridden, but his friends constantly rallied around him, and showered him with love and attention," continued the friend. Peter's co-stars Ray Romano, Brad Garrett, Fred Willard and Doris Roberts constantly called and visited, as did close friends Jim Belushi, Bill Murray, Alan Arkin and Bonnie Hunt. **"EVERYONE KNEW** the end was coming, so it was no shock when he died," said the friend. "His wife Loraine

said he died having achieved all his goals, and she is grateful that he had died at peace with himself." Peter - who commuted to Los Angeles during "Everybody Loves Raymond" from 1996 to 2000 - lived in Manhattan with wife of 29 years, journalist Loraine Alterman, and their two daughters, Lucy, 26, and Amy, 23. Said the source: "Peter was enormously popular - one of the most beloved actors around - and all his friends made sure he died knowing how loved he was."

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