

## Reverend Stephen F. Shigo

### Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH:	1953
YEAR OF DEATH:	1991
ORDINATION:	May 13, 1978

### Employment/Assignment History

6/20/1978 – 6/15/1981	Holy Guardian Angels, Hyde Park, PA
6/15/1981 – 9/1/1981	St. Ambrose, Schuylkill Haven, PA
9/1/1981 – 7/11/1983	Area Chaplain Catholic Scouting, West Schuylkill County, PA
7/11/1983 – 8/31/1984	Regional Director, CYO West Schuylkill County, PA
8/31/1984 – 12/4/1985	Regional Director, Youth Ministry, South Schuylkill County, PA
12/4/1985 – 11/2/1991	Regional Director, Family Life Bureau, South Schuylkill County, PA

### Summary

The Diocese of Allentown was informed of one victim of sexual abuse by Father Stephen Shigo. On November 17, 2011, the victim's father contacted Diocesan officials on behalf of his son. The victim's father reported that his son had a successful business as a builder but had previous issues with alcohol, drugs, and maintaining stable relationships. The victim's father also told officials that he only heard about the sexual abuse from his daughter, who in turn found out from the victim's ex-girlfriend. The victim was sexually abused by Shigo on a road behind the victim's house during a ride home from the church.

The victim, who finally came forward at the encouragement of his father, reported his abuse in February 2012. The victim told the Diocese he was sexually abused by Shigo when the victim was an altar boy during his eighth and ninth grades and that the abuse occurred at St. Ambrose church. The Diocese offered six months of counseling. However records indicate the victim was participating in counseling at least through June 2016, for which the Diocese paid.

Shigo died in 1991.