



## Presentation of book

*Il disastro aereo del 26 giugno 1959 a Olgiate Olona*  
author Alberto Colombo

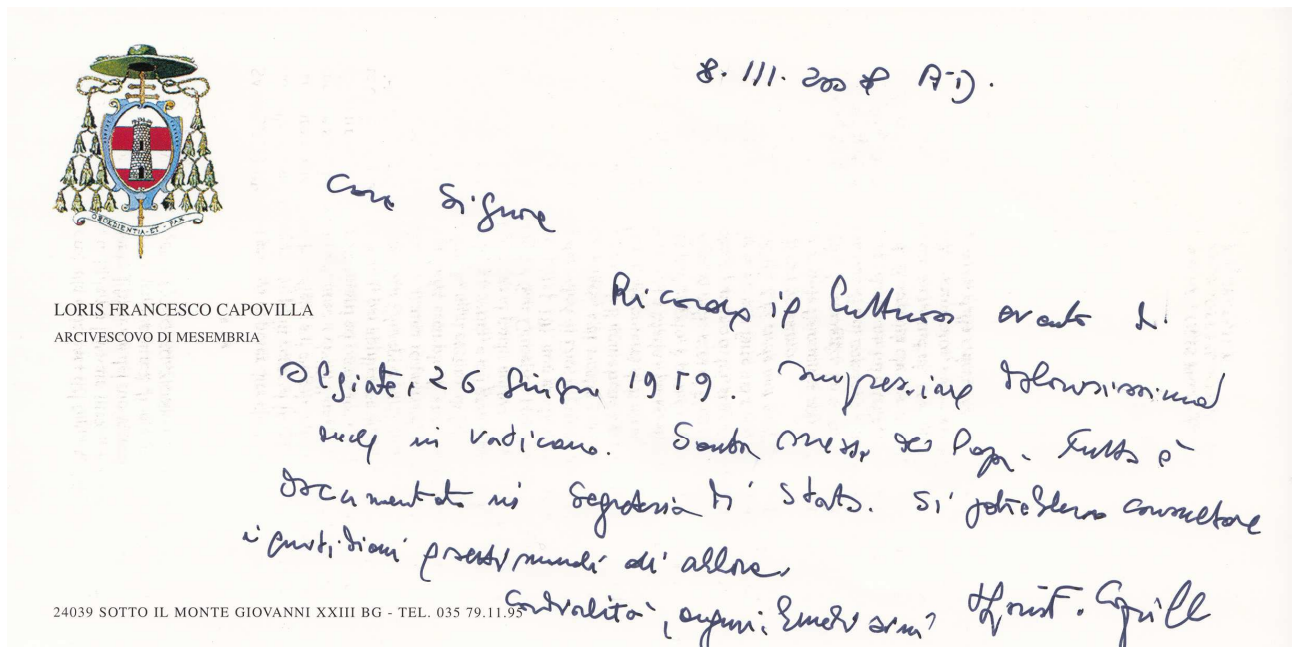
Town hall of Olgiate Olona, October 11, 2008

## Testimony

### Written messages received by the author

Dear Alberto, thank you for having thought of us too by informing of the presentation of your book of October 11, 2008. When I was child I heard my father tell of the disaster many times and my imagination was very stimulated, so when I read about the presentation of your book, I have immediately remembered. We wish you success and entrust you to Mother Elisabetta who professed right on October 11. A worm greeting to you and your family.

*Mother Giovanna, abbess of Carmelitane scalze cloistered convent - Legnano*



Congratulations to Dr Alberto Colombo. Communion of memories. Wishes of fraternal understanding. Cordiality.

*Archbishop Loris Francesco Capovilla, former secretary of Pope John XXIII - Sotto il Monte*

Dear Alberto, the presentation of your book was nice indeed, touching at some times: I wanted to tell you directly but you were really assailed by your fans. There was a lovely atmosphere in the hall.

*Dr Antonietta Nembri – Milano*

Dear Alberto, congratulations: you have been able to transform a major news story in a deep page of history in search of the causes of the tragedy. The plane crash deserved a book like yours: agile to read and well documented. Writing pieces that are enjoyable to read is characteristic of you, such as postponing the details in the notes: some notes worth as much as the summary of the book. The presentation of the book was solemn and worthy of a great Alberto. The event was palpable. I was next to an eye-witness of the accident, then I went to visit the site of the plane crash.

*Prof. Giuseppe Proverbio - Cerro Maggiore*

Dr Colombo, I thank you sincerely for the beautiful book you sent. I will read it carefully. Kind regards.

*Adv. Giorgio Albé - Busto Arsizio*

I “devoured” the book. It is not only a documentation of facts already extraordinary by themselves, although they are painful, but a true encyclopedia-biography with all the notes. Congratulations: you did a research work that does you credit.

*Angelo Bossi - Fagnano Olona*

## **Notes left on the day of the presentation of book**

I was 6 year old. What impressed me besides the disaster and the agitation of rescuers was a tie hanging on a branch of a tree.

*Maurizio - Busto Arsizio*

I was 15 and I was in the courtyard when I saw the plane falling down. I rushed to the valley and I arrived together with the first rescuers. Unfortunately there was nothing we could do anymore...

*Gianni Lomazzi - Olgiate Olona*

I was living in San Giovanni square in Busto Arsizio at that time. I attended the funerals; at the very thought they are still touching moments, today they have been brought back to life! Thank you all for this book.

*Avis Busto Arsizio*

I was there on that day, I was living in the mill and we all feared that the plane would fall on our houses. Thank you for remembering such a great and emotional event.

*Ginetta Rocco - Olgiate Olona*

Dr Colombo, thank you and congratulations.

*Alessandro - Olgiate Olona*

Sometimes a "thank you" is enough. Remembering is create future.

*Paola Gianduia - Olgiate Olona*

I remember I was a child when I saw this "fiery missile" passing in the sky over Castellanza while I was playing in the courtyard. Thank you for remembering.

I congratulate the author for his sensitivity in wanting to document such a dramatic event which was likely to fall into oblivion. Thanks to Municipality of Olgiate Olona for enhancing and promoting these initiatives.

It's an unexpected work, therefore it is much appreciated. Congratulations and thank you.

*Giuseppe Moneta - Olgiate Olona*

Well done Alberto! You know You have been working for *Luce* newspaper!

With sympathy and esteem.

*Piero D'Amico, friend and colleague - Saronno*

Alberto, I hope that your writing career "take off" with this first book. You have moved me.

*Paola Abbi - Gessate*

A young witness (I was 4) who never left the accident behind. Compliments for the excellent work!

Thanks for the emotion I felt in reliving those moments!

*Ada - Olgiate Olona*

Flying is not only passion, but it's life, memory and humanity too.

*Giorgio De Salve Ria – president of "Clipper", Italian Association of Friend of Aviation*

*Gabriella Danieli De Salve Ria*

It's an awakening of memory.

Compliments Alberto!

*Nicoletta Trombin - Varese*

Thanks to Alberto for his research and for having reconstructed the plane crash.

*Mario Landoni - Olgiate Olona*