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Death Notice No. 2 (To all Unit Administrations):

The Province of the United States of America, recommends to our fraternal prayers our dear brother, **GREGORY DeMOOR**, of the Marianist Residence Community (San Antonio), who died in the service of the Blessed Virgin Mary on February 1, 2012 in San Antonio, Texas, USA, at the age of 84 with 66 years of religious profession.

Bro. Greg was a man of many talents and interests. He enjoyed doing carpentry and odd jobs, playing billiards and working with Lay Marianist Affiliate groups.

Gregory DeMoor was born to John and Rose Susan (Bollwerk) DeMoor in St. Louis, Missouri, on December 17, 1927. He was one of three boys. Greg met the Marianists at Southside Catholic High School (now St. Mary's High School). On August 2, 1944, he left home for the postulate in Galesville, Wisconsin, and entered the novitiate at the same location a year later. Bro. Greg professed first vows on August 15, 1945.

After earning a bachelor's degree in physics from the University of Dayton in 1948, Bro. Greg began a long career as a Marianist educator. His first assignment was his alma mater, St. Mary's in St. Louis, where he served from 1948 until 1951 before spending one year at McBride High School in St. Louis.

Bro. Greg eventually earned another bachelor's degree, in industrial education, a master's degree in physical science from the University of Notre Dame and a diploma in spiritual theology from Regis College in Canada.

Bro. Greg served at Don Bosco High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, from 1952 until 1957, followed by a year at the second novitiate in Glencoe, Wisconsin. He taught at Central Catholic High School in San Antonio from 1958 to 1974. As a teacher, he taught physics, religion, math, mechanical drawing and economic geography classes and moderated several clubs. In 1971, Bro. Greg received an award for "Excellence in Physics Teaching" from the American Association of Physics Teachers.

Between 1974 and 1977, Bro. Greg served at a parish in Fort Worth, Texas, before returning to St. Louis to serve at the Bordeaux House for seven years. After studying at Regis College, Bro. Greg lived in Omaha, Nebraska, from 1986 until 1989.

Bro. Tim Pieprzyca lived with Bro. Greg in Omaha. "He was a kind, sweet, gentle man," Bro. Tim said. "He was the type of brother that a brother wants to live with."

Along with the late Fr. Bob Lewandowski, Bro. Greg worked in campus ministry at a state university in Denton, Texas, between 1989 and 1994. The ministry was the first of its kind for the Marianists. Bro. Greg stayed in Texas and served at St. Mary's University in San Antonio from 1994 until 2000. After spending a year at the Marianist novitiate in Dayton, Ohio, Bro. Greg retired to the Marianist Residence in San Antonio. Bro. Greg battled Alzheimer's disease in his later years.

"I'll always remember Bro. Greg as friendly and helpful," Fr. Joseph Uvietta said. "Even as the Alzheimer's worsened, he still had a friendly spirit."

May he rest in peace.