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Death Notice No. 11 (To all Unit Administrations):



The Marianist Province of the United States recommends to its fraternal prayers its dear brother, **PAUL QUINN**, of the Mercy Siena Community (Dayton, Ohio), who died in the service of the Blessed Virgin Mary on April 23, 2014, in Dayton, Ohio, USA, at the age of 82 with 63 years of religious profession.

Bro. Paul had a long career as a high school religion teacher and campus minister, serving mainly in New York and Maryland.

Paul Francis Quinn was born on January 23, 1932, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was the oldest of two sons and a daughter in the family of Mary (Rusnock) and Edward Quinn. Bro. Paul attended Annunciation grade school in Pittsburgh, and entered the postulate at

Mount St. John in Dayton in 1946.

In 1949, Bro. Paul entered the novitiate in Marcy, New York. He professed his first vows there a year later on September 8, 1950. Although he originally believed he was called to be a working brother, Bro. Paul soon discerned a vocation as a teacher. He earned a bachelor's degree in sociology and theology in 1954 from the University of Dayton.

Bro. Paul began his career at Chaminade High in Mineola, New York, where he taught from 1954 through 1960. He professed his perpetual vows on August 15, 1956, in Dayton. He returned to his hometown of Pittsburgh, where he taught at North Catholic High School (now Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic) from 1960 to 1962.

As was a common practice, Bro. Paul continued his education during the summers of his early years as a teacher. He earned a master's degree in theology from St. John's University in New York City in 1962.

Over the course of the next decade, Bro. Paul taught religion at St. James High School in Chester, Pennsylvania (1962-1964 and again from 1968-1969); Archbishop Riordan High School in San Francisco, California (1964-1967); Cardinal Gibbons High in Baltimore, Maryland (1969-1971); and Most Holy Trinity High in Brooklyn, New York (1971-1972).

In the fall of 1972, Bro. Paul began teaching at St. Agnes Cathedral High in Rockville Center, New York. He would remain there through the 1985 school year. (During his tenure, the school moved to nearby Uniondale.)

"The passion of Brother Paul's heart was his ministry to young people. He was able to communicate the good news of a compassionate and loving God to young people in his classes and by the way he treated them," said Bro. Steve Glodek.

Bro. Paul served at Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Malverne, New York, as a youth minister from 1985 until 1987. After that time, he returned to Cardinal Gibbons High, where he would remain as a favorite teacher and campus minister through 1995.

Fr. Pat Tonry was two years behind Bro. Paul in profession and their paths crossed repeatedly over the years. "Bro. Paul was always friendly and upbeat," said Fr. Pat, "and he was loved by his students. The affection and respect they had for Bro. Paul was easily visible by the way they related to him in the classroom, in the hallways and at school events."

Following a sabbatical year, Bro. Paul retired to the Lincoln Street Community in Hollywood, Florida. In 2001, he moved to the Mercy Siena Community for health reasons.

In his later years, Bro. Paul participated in the "Ministry of Gratitude," a program in which senior brothers contacted donors by telephone to thank them personally for their financial gifts.

On Facebook, a number of former students recalled Bro. Paul with fondness: "I have so many awesome memories of Brother Paul! ... We had many good conversations and laughs together at Cardinal Gibbons ... Oh my heart is breaking! He is such a part of all my fond high school memories ... A good man who touched the lives of many."

May he rest in peace.