



Bro. William Drotar CP

February 11, 1929 - February 21, 2016

Brother William Drotar C.P., also known as Michael J. Drotar, beloved Passionist Brother passed away at Immaculate Conception Monastery, Jamaica, NY on Sunday, February 21st, 2016. He was 87. Born Michael J. Drotar on February 11th, 1929 in Baileyville, Maine to the late Andrew Drotar & the late Mary Balog Drotar. He was predeceased by parents, his sisters Margaret Plaisted & Regina Annis and their husbands, and his brother Anthony Drotar. He is survived by two sisters, Josephine Ramsdell of Baileyville, ME; Mary McNabb and her husband Steve, of Lacross, WI; and his sister-in-law Marjorie Drotar. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews, Mary Flood, Stephen & David Annis, James & Mark Drotar, Susan White, Barbara Porterfield, Michael Robb, Paula Boyce, Kathleen McMullin, Deborah Robb, Ann Marie & Cathryn McNabb, and many more great-nieces and nephews. Michael graduated from St. Croix High School Class of 1946, and entered the employ of the St. Croix Paper Company until the end of 1950. On November 15th, 1950, he received his draft notice. He spent the next two years in the Army, one year at Camp Atterbury, Indiana and one year in Augburg, Germany with the 109th Infantry, 28th Division. In March of 1953, Michael went to Pittsburgh to begin his postulancy with the Passionists and, six months later, his novitiate. Taking the name Brother William Drotar, his profession was on September 15th, 1954. He spent the rest of his life serving God and his fellow man. After completing the Brothers Juniorate on September 15th, 1957, Br. William was sent to various monasteries and

assigned to General Duties. A man of immense charity and kindness, Brother Drotar served at Holy Family Monastery, West Hartford, CT for most of his religious life. In addition to his distinguished work as community chef and culinary manager between 1961 and 1987, he assisted in the administration and the fund raising departments of Holy Family Monastery. Br. William worked in the Holy Family Mail Room from 1987 up until his recent hospitalization. In January of 2016, he moved to Immaculate Conception Monastery, Jamaica NY, where he resided until his passing. The Wake Service will be held at Holy Family Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Rd, West Hartford, CT on Monday, February 29th, 2016 at 9am. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11am the same day. Burial will immediately follow at the cemetery on the grounds of the Retreat Center. Donations in his memory may be made to Holy Family Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Rd, W. Hartford, CT, 06107.

Cemetery Details

Holy Family Cemetery

303 Tunxis Rd.
West Hartford, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB **29**. 9:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Monastery Chapel
303 Tunxis
West Hartford, CT

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Monastery
303 Tunxis Ave.
West Hartford, CT