



Brother Louis Mitchell

September 1, 1919 - November 27, 2006

Brother Louis Mitchell, a Passionist Brother, died after a short illness at Holy Family Monastery, West Hartford, CT, on Monday, November 27, 2006. He was born September 1, 1919 in Amherst, MA, son of the late Stanley and Barbara Poviliatis Mitchell, and uncle of Pauline Lannon and Majorie Flynn of Amherst, MA. Brother Mitchell graduated from Amherst High School in 1936 and entered the Passionist Community in 1955. He professed vows at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery, Pittsburgh, PA in 1956. A robust and hard-working man, brother Mitchell served Passionist Communities in many ways. He cooked for Holy Family Retreat House, West Hartford from 1956-1959. He made landscaping an art at Mother of Sorrows Monastery, West Springfield, MA, at St. Ann Monastery, Scranton, PA, at St. Michael Monastery, Union City, NJ, at St. Gabriel Monastery, Brighton, MA, and at Immaculate Conception Monastery, Jamaica, NY. Brother Mitchell was a devout man. His simple, yet profound spirituality allowed him to develop a rich interior life, a gracious kinship with the earth, and a kind amiability for people. A pro-life activist, Brother Mitchell often brought his spirituality into the public square and became a beloved friend to people committed to a life of faith and action. After a half-century of labor and love, Brother Mitchell transferred to Holy Family Monastery, West Hartford, in 2002 and continued to serve, in the true spirit of the Passionists, with great devotion and love. He truly lived until the time of this death. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, December 1, at 11:00 a.m. in the chapel of Holy Family Monastery, 303 Tunxis Rd., West

Hartford, burial will follow in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Springfield. Calling hours are Thursday beginning at 4:00 p.m., with a Vigil Service at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel at Holy Family. Molloy Funeral Home has care of arrangements. Donations in his memory may be made to Holy Family Monastery, 303 Tunxis Rd., West Hartford, CT 06107.