



## Fr. Raphael Amrhein

April 20, 1935 - May 17, 2004

Father Raphael Amrhein, C.P., 69 year old Passionist priest, was killed Monday afternoon in a traffic accident in Massachusetts. Father Amrhein was a noted preacher, spiritual director and retreat master, who for the past 11 years, resided in Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center in North Palm Beach, Florida. Father Amrhein was born in Pittsburgh, the son of the late Frank and Magdalen nee Helmbrecht Amrhein. He attended Holy Cross Passionist Preparatory Seminary in Dunkirk, NY. He was professed a Passionist in 1955 and was ordained a priest by Most Rev. Guthbert O'Gara, C.P. in 1962 in Union City, NJ. He received his B.A. in Philosophy in 1958 and graduate degrees in Theology in 1962 and Sacred Eloquence in 1963 from the Passionist Seminary system. He also received a M.Ed. from Boston College in 1976. Father Amrhein was active in numerous Passionist commissions and boards and served as a delegate to both Provincial and General Chapters. Before his assignment in Florida, he lived in Passionist communities in Baltimore, Pittsburgh, West Hartford, and Philadelphia. Father Amrhein is survived by his brother, Rev. Quentin Amrhein, C.P. of West Hartford, CT and his sister, Sr. Mary Amrhein, C.P. a Passionist Nun stationed in Japan, and several nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Holy Family Monastery, 303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford at Noon, TODAY, May 20. Further services and interment will be in Pittsburgh, PA. Donations in Fr. Amrhein's memory may be made to Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center 1300 US Highway #1, North Palm Beach, FL 33408.



# Tribute Wall



“ I am truly schocked to learn fr.Raphael lost his life so suddenly.He was definitely a Passionist of very high worth.Will he be missed? Infinitely so,for he spread the Kingdom beautifully in every way.I shall celebrate Holy Mass for the repose of his great soul, My deep sympathy goes out to all members of the Passionists Group In Christo Fr.Joe Murphy##imported-begin##Fr. Joe Murphy##imported-end##

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