



Theodore N. Centala

July 22, 1936 - November 18, 2010

Fr. Theodore N. Centala, O.C.D., a Discalced Carmelite Friar and member of the Carmelite Monastery in Washington, DC, was Born to Eternal Life on Thursday, November 18 in Takoma Park, Maryland. Over his 45 years of priesthood, he served in various ministries, ranging from missionary work in the Philippines to being a hospital chaplain in Elmira, NY, to many years of involvement with numerous groups of Secular Carmelites. Fr. Theodore is survived by seven siblings: Marie Kaszubowski of Metz, Michigan; Marcella and Sr. Johanna Centala of Germantown, Gregory and Lawrence Centala of Monroe, Dominic Centala of Metz, MI and Sarita Centala of Milwaukee, other relatives, the Discalced Carmelite Friars and many friends.

Visitation will be in the Shrine Chapel at the Basilica of Holy Hill on Wednesday, December 1 from 3:30 PM until 5 PM Vespers. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in the Shrine Chapel on Thursday, December 2 at 9 AM, followed by burial in the Carmelite Cemetery. Memorials to the Basilica of Holy Hill would be appreciated.

Tribute Wall

RA

“ Fr. Theadore ministered to the chronically ill where we worked in Brighton. He was a very sweet and caring man. His poetry helped heal and connect to those he cared for. My thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

Randi - April 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I met Fr. Ted In 1981. He was not only our Chaplain but a wonderful friend. I'll always keep him close to my heart and in my prayers. He was funny in the most serious way. He share poems and stories. I still have a few of his poems and letters of all his adventures. He was always there when you needed him. I will never forget him. We were blessed to have a dedicated servant of god. God Bless.

stephanie - April 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I knew of Fr. Ted when I was a carmelite brother along with his brother Dominic. I met Ted in Brighton very briefly. I had always admired his work in the Phillipines.

James McGowan - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Fr. Ted will always be remembered & cherished... My Mother-in-law & I was honored to have spent time with him during a weekend retreat in Maryland, back in 2004... RIP...

Christina Whale, OCDS - July 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM