

Fr. Hilary Joseph KLINE 74 USA

* Feb. 4, 1915 Nicktown, PA.

+ April 18, 1989 Bethel Park, PA

After attending Cornwells 1929-34, he went to the Ridgefield novitiate, where he made his profession Aug. 15, 1935. His senior studies at Ferndale were interrupted in 1937 by one year of prefecting at Cornwells, but he could be ordained on June 20, 1941. To complete his studies, he later also earned a Master's degree in biology.

His first assignment sent him to Duquesne, where he was to spend nearly twenty years, first as an instructor and finally as head of the Department of Biology. In 1958 he also became superior of the Spiritan community at Duquesne.

In 1961 he was appointed superior of the Ann Arbor junior seminary and four years later novice master at the Richmond, MI, brothers' community. After a year of teaching at Cornwells in 1969 he served one year at St. Emma Academy, Powhatan, VA.,

An interim appointment sent him to St. Theresa's, Tiverton, RI, in 1972 and then to St. Anthony's, Millvale, PA, as an assistant. In 1977 he returned to Cornwells as a teacher, but three years later he went back to Millvale. He resided there for the remainder of his active life.

In ill health he retired in 1989 to the Bethel Park community, where he died of cancer a few months later. Burial was at the community plot in the Sharpsburg St. Mary's cemetery.

He was a man who loved teaching and did fine work as a department head at Duquesne. In the turbulent 1960's and 1970's he did not hesitate to state his views very clearly and up to the point of bluntness, yet he readily obeyed the final word spoken by his superiors.