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Rev. Richard G. Miller

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MILLER Richard G. Rev. Richard G. Miller, a retired priest of the Diocese of Toledo, passed away on Monday, March 30, 2009 at the Little Sisters of the Poor in Oregon, OH where he has resided since 2000. He was born on July 4, 1925 in Lima, OH to William and Gertrude (Mauthe) Miller. Father Richard attended St. Rose Grade School and High School in Lima, OH. He then attended the St. Meinrad Seminary, receiving a BA in 1946 and a Master of Divinity from Mount St. Mary Athenaeum, Norwood, OH in 1950. He went on to receive a Master of Education from Bowling Green State University in 1969. Father Richard was ordained a priest of the 19-County Catholic Diocese of Toledo on May 18, 1950. His assignments included: Pastor of St. Agnes, Toledo (1984-1997), St. James, Toledo (1976-1984), St. Caspar, Wauseon (1973-1976), and SS Peter & Paul (1967-1973); and Assistant Pastor of St. Michael, Findlay (1958-1967), St. Mary, Assumption (1958), St. John, Delphos (1955-1958), St. Mary, Clyde (1950-1954), and SS Peter & Paul, Sandusky (1950-1955). He loved the outdoors and could often be seen bicycling in Lima and at Pearson Park in Oregon. He also enjoyed gardening and tending the many fruit trees in his brother, Dan's yard in Perrysburg. Survivors include his sisters, Gertrude "Trudy" Schrantz of Aliso Viejo, CA and Julia Leobaka of Lima,

OH; sister-in-law, Phyllis Miller of Perrysburg, OH; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters, Catherine "Kate" Diepenbrock, Rita Crow, and Rosemary Sliemers; and brothers, William, Joseph, David "Dan", and Edward Miller. Visitation will be Wednesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Little Sisters of the Poor, 930 S. Wynn Rd., followed by Reception of the Body and Vespers at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd., at 4 p.m. Visitation will be held until 8 p.m. Wednesday, and from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Thursday at the Cathedral. The Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Cathedral with Most Rev. Bishop Leonard Blair presiding. Burial will take place Friday at the family plot at Gethsemane Cemetery in Lima, OH. The family asks that tributes be in the form of contributions to the Little Sisters of the Poor, and Masses for the eternal happiness of Father Miller's soul. Sujkowski Funeral Home Northpointe, 114-128 East Alexis Rd., is handling arrangements. Please view and share condolences and memories at www.sujkowski.com

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April 3, 2009

I have very fond memories of Fr Miller from SS Peter & Paul. I had the privilege of serving under him as an altar boy during my 5th grade year, before we moved and changed parishes. I found him to be a firm, but caring man who did not hesitate to correct you when needed. But it always was in love and for the best. His spirit will live on in all you have come to know him.

Joe Etts

April 2, 2009

I will always cherish my memories of Fr. Miller from SS. Peter & Paul in Toledo. I attended grade school there until 1972. We always thought it was funny that no matter if your grades were good or bad you were going to get your ear twisted. All of us kids really related to him personally and spiritually. He will never be forgotten. Deepest sympathy to Father's family - we truly have lost a great Man!

Cathy (Bell) Birr

April 1, 2009

I will always remember Fr. Miller from St. Agnes where my Uncle played the organ for years. I LOVED his homily's. He was always kind & spoke the total truth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now he rests with the angels & is dancing in front of Jesus himself. May he rest in peace.

Shawn Powers

March 31, 2009

To me - I will always remember Fr. Miller for his humor and kindness. In 1960 at St. Michael's he taught the altar boys their Latin prayers for the mass, and singing his favorite song "Ramona". Always a joyful memory.

Michael Conmay

March 31, 2009

I knew Father Miller when I was a student and member at SS. Peter & Paul School and church. He was the Priest there at the time. He was a good friend to the family. He help my Father Antonio Alonzo and mother Olva Alonzo with some things. Use to come over after mass for Sunday dinner at our house. He had mass and Blessed our house. He helped a lot of people and families there in church. He will be missed and not forgotten.

Teresa Alonzo and The Alonzo Family (Toledo,OH)

March 31, 2009

Father Miller was a very good person. He blessed our marriage in 1977 and I made all of my sacraments with Father Miller at St James. He help us through alot of rough times. He was there when we needed to talk to him. He will be greatly missed. May he rest in peace. Our deepest sympathy to his family.

From: John & Joyce Connerton.

Joyce Connerton

March 31, 2009

I will miss you - my oatmeal cookie friend!

B B

March 31, 2009

I knew Father Miller as a student at SS Peter and Paul in Toledo. He was a kind soft spoken man but as a child he seemed bigger than life to me. I have fond memories of those school days and Father Miller is embedded in those memories. May he rest in peace.

Cynthia Anaya-Smith

March 31, 2009

Father Miller was a great support in Toledo for the unborn. He opened his heart and many things got accomplished. His true devotion to Mary gained him a many graces. Thank you Fr.Miller for helping us, Friends of Our Lady.

John Swigart

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