

REV. EDWARD J. RASZEWSKI, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Edward J. "Chips" Raszewski, C.S.Sp., 90, of Bethel Park PA a member of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit died Monday, January 19, 2009.

Father Raszewski was born June 27, 1918. He professed his vows August 15, 1941 at Holy Ghost Novitiate, Ridgefield CT and was ordained to the Priesthood June 3, 1947 at St. Mary's Seminary, Ferndale, Norwalk CT.

His first assignment in 1948 was to Tanzania, East Africa where he worked in pastoral ministry in the Dioceses of Moshi, Same, Shinyanga and Arusha for forty-seven years. From 1966-1976 he developed the western part of Mount Kilimanjaro where he built churches and helped establish new parishes. In 1987 he opened a new parish in the Arusha Diocese and ministered as hospital and prison chaplain until he returned to the States in 2001 and retired to Sarasota FL. He has been a resident of Libermann Hall, Bethel Park since 2004.

Fr. Raszewski was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Angela (Wszolek) Raszewski and his brother, Aloysius Raszewski. He is survived by his brother Casimir and sister, Wanda Wartski and many nieces and nephews.

There will be viewing at The Spiritan Center, Bethel Park on Monday, January 26th from 3:00-5:00 PM where Mass of Resurrection will take place Tuesday, January 27th at 10:00 AM. Burial will take place in St. Stanislaus Cemetery, Pittsburgh PA.

In memory of Fr. Raszewski donations may be made to the Spiritans designated for retirement or for the education of future Holy Spirit Fathers, 6230 Brush Run Road, Bethel Park PA 15102.