

BROTHER ROBERT W. HASSEL, C.S.Sp.

MAY 24, 1941 - NOVEMBER 1, 2005

Grant Him Eternal Rest!

Brother Robert W. Hassel, C.S.Sp., died peacefully October 31, 2005, at Casa Laval in Hemet, CA. He was 64 years old.

Brother Robert was born May 24, 1941 in Grove City, PA. As a youngster he attended Grove City Elementary and High School. He joined the Congregation of the Holy Spirit after high school and made his First Profession at Richmond, MI in 1961 and his Perpetual Vows in 1967.

In 1961, he was appointed to St. Joseph's Home for Boys in Philadelphia, PA and in 1962 to the Novitiate in Ridgefield, CT and subsequently to the Novitiate in Glenwood Springs, CO until 1970.

In 1970, Brother Robert was appointed as Assistant to the Principal at Notre Dame High School in Riverside, CA where he served for two years. In 1972, he was assigned to St. Anthony's Church as Pastoral Associate and Bursar of the community. In 1980, Brother Robert moved to Houston, TX as the Bursar of the Formation Community and then on to Sacred Heart Church in 1981 as Pastoral Associate and Bursar of the commu-

nity. In 1986, he was assigned to Our Lady of the Valley in Hemet, CA as Pastoral Associate and Bursar where he served for three years. In 1989, he was assigned to the Formation Community in Houston, TX as Assistant Bursar and began Hospice Ministry until November of 2002. Brother Robert became well known in Houston for his work with those who had been infected with the HIV virus.

In November of 2002, with a serious diabetes illness, Brother Robert was assigned to the retirement community in Hemet, CA. Brother Robert was a great addition to the community, and even with his health problems, was an enormous help to the house and nursing staff at Casa Laval. He will be missed!

