

## JUSTI

FR. MARVIN, OFM Cap.

Died Wednesday, February 11, 2009, at Vincentian Regency in Pittsburgh, PA. He had battled cancer for several years and was 75 at the time of his death. Father Marvin is survived by his

brothers John Justi of New Brighton, PA, and Ronald Justi of Ellwood City, PA, as well as a sister, Elsie Lesinski of New Brighton, PA. Born to John and Naomi Justi on May 31, 1933, in Billerio, Italy, he was given the name Lawrence at his baptism. He attended elementary school in New Brighton, PA, at St. Joseph Catholic School. He was accepted into St. Fidelis Seminary High School in 1946 and continued his studies at St. Fidelis College, both in Herman, PA. At his investiture as a Capuchin friar on July 13, 1952, he was given the name Marvin. One year later he made his first vows as a friar and resumed his philosophy studies at St. Fidelis. Upon graduation from college he pursued theological studies in Washington, DC, at Capuchin College. In addition to his undergraduate degree in philosophy and advanced theological studies, he was awarded a Masters Degree in the Classics from Duquesne University in 1966. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 7, 1958, at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. After ordination Father Marvin was assigned to St. Fidelis Seminary as a professor, prefect and spiritual director. His combined experiences as a student and faculty member at the seminary proved to be among his fondest memories, which he often recounted even to the final days of his life. In 1969 Father



Marvin was assigned to Quigley High School in Ambridge, PA, and remained there until 1972, at which time he moved to Shawnee, Kansas, as a co-pastor at Good Shepherd Catholic Church. After several short-termed assignments in Washington, DC, Dover, Ohio, and back in Herman, PA, Father Marvin returned in 1980 to the region of his childhood years, Beaver County, PA. After three years as parochial vicar at St. Cecilia Catholic Church, he embarked on a career of hospital chaplaincy, for which he is most recently and fondly remembered. With his gentle pastoral style,

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Father Marvin was a beloved presence in Beaver County Medical Center. In 2002, Father Marvin was assigned to St. Joseph Church in Cabot, PA, where he resided while serving as part-time chaplain at the V.A. Medical Center in Butler, PA, until his illness prevented him in 2007. At that time he moved briefly to St. Augustine Friary in Pittsburgh and, eventually, Vincentian Regency. Any memory of Father Marvin would be incomplete without mentioning his love for nature. He was an avid hunter and loved fishing. One period of visitation and viewing will take place on Saturday, February 14, 2009, from 4:30PM until 8:30PM at St. Augustine Friary (221 36th Street, Pittsburgh 15201). Father Marvin's body will be transferred to Rochester, PA, for a second period of viewing and visitation on Sunday, February 15, from 2PM to 4PM and 7PM to 9PM at St. Cecilia Church. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Cecilia Church on Monday, February 16, at 11AM. Lunch will be served after the funeral Mass and prior to his burial at St. Mary Cemetery in Herman, PA. Professional Services Entrusted to the Care of **D'ALESSANDRO FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY LTD.,** Lawrenceville.  
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