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# Rev Fr Antonius Jospheus Aloysius "Leo" Hofstee

**BIRTH** 30 Jul 1903

Utrecht Municipality, Utrecht, Netherlands

**DEATH** 24 Apr 1986 (aged 82)

Philippines

BURIAL Tala Cemetery

Caloocan, Northern Manila District, National Capital Re-

gion, Philippines

MEMORIAL ID 166134866

A Dominican priest who landed in the Philippines with U.S. marines in World War II has died and been buried among the people he dedicated his life to -- lepers.

Chaplain (Captain) Leo Anthony Hofstee, like hundreds of American soldiers who liberated the Philippines from Japanese occupation in 1945, fell in love with the country and its people, and decided to stay.

But, no ordinary soldier, he felt no ordinary love and the people he settled down to serve were no ordinary people.

They were lepers living in Tala Leprosarium, outside Manila.

Father Hofstee requested release from the chaplains ´ corps when he realized his place was with these victims of Hansen´s disease.

Affectionately known as Father Leo, he spent 41 years with his special charges before dying April 26, aged 83.

http://www.ucanews.com/story-archive/?post\_name=/1986/05/07

#### **Family Members**

#### **Parents**



Dominicus Johannes Hofstee 1869–1925



Maria Frederika *Peters* Hofstee 1868–1926

### **Siblings**



Dominicus Jacobus Anthonius Hofstee 1901–1957



Johannes Dominicus Gerardus Hofstee 1903–1944



Gerardus Majella Marie Hofstee 1905–1999



Marie Sophie *Hofstee* Sweet 1910–1992



Henry Nicholas Hofstee 1912–1967

## **Half Siblings**



Wilhelmus Johannes Anthonius Hofstee 1908–1955

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