

Obituary: Msgr. James Walsh

A Memorial Mass will be held at Blessed Sacrament Church in Elk on Saturday, December 11, at 5:30 p.m. for Monsignor James E. Walsh who died in Santa Rosa, December 2, 1993, after a short illness.

A Mass of Christian Burial was said for him on Monday in St. Eugene Cathedral in Santa Rosa.

Msgr. Walsh had lived in the rectory of Blessed Sacrament Church in Elk since his retirement in July of 1992, celebrating Mass on Saturday evenings for the small congregation at the northern end of St. Aloysius Parish.

Msgr. Walsh was born in San Francisco on January 27, 1917, graduated from Sacred Heart High School in that city, completed his undergraduate

studies at St. Mary's College in Moraga, and entered the seminary at St. Patrick's in Menlo Park. He was ordained on March 20, 1943, at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco.

He served as pastor of churches in St. Helena, Arcata, and in Willits during his long career, and had looked forward to quiet retirement in Elk, where he enjoyed the beach, gardening, good music, and football games especially when Notre Dame was playing.

He is survived by a sister, Mary Jane Carbone of San Rafael, and a brother, Robert J. Walsh of San Francisco.

Interment was in Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma. Memorial contributions are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice.