

Father Jerome Anthony Moody CSSR Dies at 59

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Feb. 20, 2006 – Father Jerome Anthony Moody CSSR died on Jan. 22, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Mass. There will be a memorial service held for him at the Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral on Feb. 24, at 9 a.m.

Father Jerome Moody was born to Fred Lee Moody and Helen Moody Parris on Dec. 17, 1946 in Manhattan, N.Y. His parents moved to Bamberg, S.C. where his other siblings were born. At a young age, he and his siblings moved with their mother to her home in St. Thomas, and all the children attended Sts. Peter and Paul School. Father Moody answered his calling in 1960, and then pursued his studies for the priesthood from 1960 to 1966. He attended St. Mary's Seminary in Northeast, Penn., and from 1966 to 1970 he studied at St. Alphonsus College in Suffield, Conn. After that it was at Mount Saint Alphonsus in Esopus, N.Y. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 25, 1973, at Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral, thus making him the first Redemptorist Virgin Islander to be ordained on his home island. He is survived by his mother, Helen Moody Parris; sisters: Freddie Mae Poole, Carolyn Williams and Lynda Moody Brown; and brothers-in-law: Eugene Poole, Marion Williams and Alvin Brown. He is also survived by nieces: Vallissha Johnson, Sheverne Oney, Michelle

Nielsen, Kishma and Raquesha Brown, Natasha and Anissa Moody; and nephews: Alvin Brown II and Ryan Adams. Other survivors include many great nephews and great nieces, and relatives and friends too numerous to mention.