

Marty Gates, OFM Obituary - 8/27/00



Father Marty Gates OFM, age 63, was a Franciscan priest with the Santa Barbara Province. He was ordained December 21, 1963. Father Marty was born to eternal life July 27, 2000. He

served at St. Mary Magdalene Church in Phoenix until 1970. His love for the Mexican people took him to Guaymas, Mexico where he built 10 chapels, a medical dispensary, a soup kitchen servicing over 700 daily. He also ministered to an orphanage, a nursing home and the oppressed wherever they came in contact with him. The Casa Franciscan Mission will be forever blessed because of his love and care for the poor. A memorial Mass will be celebrated September 25, 2000 at 700pm at the Franciscan Renewal Center, 5802 E. Lincoln Dr. Donations to sustain his legacy to the poor, can be sent to the Casa Franciscana Outreach, P.O. Box 15673, Phoenix, AZ 85060.