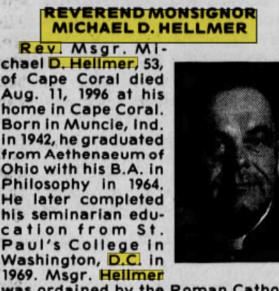
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was ordained by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville, Ohio on May 16, 1970. He was appointed "Prelate of Honor to His Holiness" with the title of Monsignor on Dec. 12, 1986. He was named Prelate of Honor by Pope John Paul II on Mar. 24, 1987, and was later chosen as a Diocesean representative to special priests meeting with Pope John Paul II in Miami, Fla. in September of 1987. Msgr. Hellmer served as pastor at Holy Cross Church in Glouster, Ohio, and Sacred Heart Church in Pomeroy, Ohio.

Survivors include his mother, Esther R. Hellmer, and one sister, Lee Ann Kirby (Philip), all of Cape Coral.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, 1996, at the St. Andrew Catholic Church. Interment will follow at the Coral Ridge Cemetery.

The family will receive friends for viewing TODAY (Thursday) and Friday, 2 - 4 and 6 - 8 p.m. A scripture wake service will be conducted on Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Arrangements by the Metz Chapel of Harvey-Engelhardt-Metz Funeral Homes, 1306 Lafayette Street, Cape Coral.