

The Rev. Giles Raymond Valcovich

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The Rev. Giles Raymond Valcovich died unexpectedly on June 22 while visiting relatives in Oakland. He was 74.

Father Valcovich had been a Franciscan for 54 years and a priest for 48 years. Born in Oakland, he attended St. Elizabeth's School and Old Mission Santa Barbara, where he studied theology and was ordained.

He served as religious superior in San Francisco, Oakland, Santa Barbara and Sacramento and in parish ministries in Arizona, Colorado and California.

He also was chaplain at St. Mary's and St. Francis hospitals in San Francisco.

After having served as chaplain to the St. Anthony Foundation in San Francisco for the past eight years, he was preparing to move to the St. Francis Parish in Sacramento at the time of his death.

He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Helen and John Marquette of Oakland; another sister, Clare Otten of Piedmont; and his niece, Teresa (Pylman) Julianelli.

Burial is at the Friars Vaults in Santa Barbara.

Donations in his memory may be made to the St. Anthony Foundation, 121 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco, Calif. 94102.