

DUFFICY, FATHER EDWARD C.

Father Edward C. Dufficy. The Dufficy family and Father Bernard C. White re-



gretfully affirm that Father Edward C. Dufficy died on Sept. 14, 2010 at St. Benedict Home in Niles, IL. It is noteworthy, that before Father Dufficy went to

St. Benedict Home, he daily cared for his sister, who suffered with Muscular Dystrophy until she died. For 15 years, Mary Hobbs, administrator at St. Benedict Home, and her staff gave Father loving care and professional response to his needs. In his usual generosity, Father Dufficy donated his body to medical science. A funeral liturgy was celebrated at St. Celestine Parish in Elmwood Park, IL, on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2010 where Francis Cardinal George was the celebrant. Father Dufficy's best friend, Father Bernard C. White was the homilist. Concelebrants included Bishops Thad Jakubowski, John Gorman and Raymond Goedert. Unfortunately, Bishop Timothy Lyne, who devoted so much of his life to senior priests, was unable to attend. Many of his priest friends also concelebrated. The Cardinal was assisted by deacons, Ron Pilarski and Thomas Dwyer. After serving at Quigley Seminary as spiritual director and teacher, he proceeded to use his many gifts where he lived and served in eight area parishes. We are grateful to the many priests, Sisters and parishioners of those parishes who continue to keep him in their prayers. Many people visited Father Dufficy at St. Benedict Home but special mention must be made of the parishioners from St. Francis Cabrini Parish who visited him on a frequent and consistent basis. Acknowledgment must be made to thank the Sisters of Resurrection and the doctors from Resurrection Hospital. It is most appropriate that we thank Dr. Walter Falkowski M.D. for his highly skilled medical response to Father Dufficy. We are grateful to Alex and Barbara who manage the policies of the Retirement Board. Much credit must be given to Attorney Joyce Gradel for her generosity in doing Father Dufficy's income tax each year. Many thanks to Margaret Whaley and Christine of Bank of America for the management of his small savings. We also thank Father Jeffrey Grob, Barbara Mares and the St. Celestine's Parish Committees who worked together to bring about a beautiful liturgy and a delightful luncheon. Condolences may be mailed to St. Celestine Church c/o Rev. Bernard C. White, 3020 N. 76th Court, Elmwood Park, IL 60707. Finally, we thank the staff at Belmont Funeral Home, who assisted in arranging services, for their utmost professionalism and sensitivity. Many apologies to anyone whom we failed to mention; the Lord and Father Dufficy know your good will. An anniversary Mass will be celebrated for Father Edward C. Dufficy at 12 noon, Saturday, October 16, 2010 at St. Celestine Church, 3020 N. 76th Court, Elmwood Park, IL. For additional information please call 1-708-453-2555.

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