PRATHER

Reverend Edward, priest of the Archdiocese of Oklahorna City, died November 26, 1996 at Columbia LaGrange Hospital in LaGrange, IL where he had been hospitalized since October 11. Father Prather was born January 16, 1945 in Chicago, II. His parents, Edgar and Helen Prather, and a sister, Lois, preceded him in death. Father Prather was ordained May 22, 1971 and celebrated his Silver Jubilee of ordination this year. He had been living in Chicago for the past several years. Father Prather's assignments while in Oklahoma included St. Palrick Church and St. Charles Church in Oklahoma City; Our Lady of Fatirna, Nicoma Park; St. Joseph, Buffalo; St. Francis, Beaver; and Sacred Heart Church in Alva. From 1983 to 1993, he served at St. Edward's Church in Belleville, Ks. Survivors include a brother, John; a sister, Joan Niebr of Des Plaines, II; and several nieces and nephews. Services for Father Prather are being conducted in Chicago. SMITH & KERNKE