

From the Sunday, March 30, 2008 edition of the Miami (FL) Herald:

DEYO, FATHER PAUL LEO, SS.CC., an ordained member of the Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary (SS.CC.) based in Fairhaven, MA., passed away on March 25, 2008 at his residence in Hollywood, FL after a lengthy illness. He would have been 80 years old on April 13th. Born in Holyoke, MA., he was the son of the Late Charles and Lena (Boutin) Deyo. Also pre-deceased by his brother Charles Deyo, Jr. Raised and educated in Portsmouth, RI., Fr. Deyo served in the Air Force during the Korean War and later attended Catholic University. In 1956, he entered the seminary of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary (SS.CC.) in Jaffrey Center, NH., and was ordained in 1961. During his forty-seven years as a religious Catholic priest, Fr. Deyo was both an educator and enjoyed faculties and assignments in many parishes. From 1963 to 1972, he was Dean of Discipline and the Religious Superior at Bishop Amat High School in LaPuente, CA. Prior to that, he was on the faculty at Damien High School in LaVerne, CA. In 1972 Fr. Paul served as associate pastor of St. Anthony's in Mattapoisett, MA. before moving to Florida in 1973 to care for his ailing mother. While in Florida, Fr. Paul assisted in numerous parishes in the Archdiocese of Miami, including Nativity Church in Hollywood where he was associate pastor from 1973 to 1982 and St. Matthew in Hallandale where he served from 1983 until his retirement in 2000. Survived by sisters Sr. Shirley Deyo and Barbara Hancock; many nieces, nephews and cousins; caregiver and longtime friend Henri Ponzi. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Nativity Catholic Church in Hollywood, Monday, March 31, 2008, 11:00 AM. Viewing will take place before Mass from 10:00 - 11:00 AM at the church. Following the service, Fr. Paul's body will be brought back to Fairhaven, MA for burial in the Sacred Hearts Community Cemetery. At the request of his family, donations in memory of Fr. Paul may be made to Sacred Hearts Mission; P.O. Box 111, Fairhaven, MA 02719-0111 or to the American Cancer Society; 3407 NW 9th Avenue, Suite 100, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309. Arrangements by: PANCIERA MEMORIAL HOME 4200 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, FL 33021 954-989-9900 www.panciera.com To visit this Guest Book Online, go to www.MiamiHerald.com/obituaries.