



## Edward Vincent Canavan

May 19, 1935 - October 19, 2016

Rev. Edward V. Canavan, O.S.F.S.

Rev. Edward V. Canavan, O.S.F.S. passed away on October 19, 2016 at Rosary Care Center, Sylvania, OH at the age of 81. Fr. Canavan was born to Edward and Adeline Canavan on May 19, 1935 in Niagara Falls, NY. He received a Philosophy degree in 1959 from the Catholic University of America. He made his first profession as an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales in 1954 and after completing graduate studies at DeSales School of Theology was ordained to the priesthood in 1964.

After ordination, Fr. Canavan taught at Northeast Catholic High School in Philadelphia, PA. Two years later he volunteered to serve in the Oblate missions in Brazil, where he ministered until 2000. Upon his return to the United States, he resided first at Welch Cottage in Brooklyn, Michigan, and then at Rosary Care Center, Sylvania, MI.

Fr. Ed touched the lives of thousands in Brazil and the United States. Oblate Superior General Fr. Aldino Kiesel, OSFS, a Brazilian himself, wrote: "Fr. Ed was much loved by the people in Brazil. He touched people with his humility and kindness, always taking plenty of time to listen to people. He was especially dedicated to the sick and the poor."

In retirement, Fr. Ed was an avid reader and deeply appreciated the care he received at Rosary Care Center, especially the constant stream of reading materials.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Cornelius Canavan and his sister Mary Angela Hall.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapel at Lourdes University in Sylvania, OH on Monday, October 24 at 6:00 PM. The chapel will open at 5:00 PM for visitation. Interment will take place at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, October 25 at Resurrection Cemetery, 5725 Hill Ave., Toledo Ohio.

Please view and sign the online registry at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24**. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapel at Lourdes Universi  
6832 Convent Blvd.  
Sylvania, OH

## Graveside

OCT **25**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Resurrection Cemetery  
5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ I had the privilege of having Fr. Canavan as my religion teacher during my senior year (1965-1966) at Northeast Catholic HS in Philadelphia. I have fond memories of him being a good teacher and a good and gentle priest who in so many ways personified the spirit of his patron, Francis de Sales. It is no surprise to me that he was loved by the people he served in the missions. My deepest sympathies to his family and to the Oblates. May God grant him eternal rest.

Dennis Corkery - October 24, 2016 at 10:41 PM

DC

Correction: it was in my Junior year at North -1964-65.

Dennis Corkery - October 26, 2016 at 01:09 PM

JS

Father Ed assisted at St. Mary on the Lake Parish in Manitou Beach after his return from Brazil. He was known as "the big teddy bear" to the parishioners. He lived with Fr. Paul Grehl, the sacramental minister at St. Mary. We visited him at Rosary Care Center. He always asked us for good books to read. We will remember his smile and gentle kindness.

John and Jean Schaub - October 27, 2016 at 09:34 PM

PN

Great Father Eduardo. I lived with him from 1987 to 1990. He was President of the Hospital where I went to work. With its simplicity and goodness taught us so much!

PEDRO NATAL NICOLETTI - July 15, 2019 at 08:29 AM

JF

*Convivi muito com o Padre Eduardo em Braga, Rio Grande do Sul, Brasil. Ele fez um trabalho memorável junto ao Hospital da cidade. Muitas noites pegava seus LPs de música clássica e ia escutar na nossa casa. Um grande amigo e benfeitor.*

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**Jorge Della Flora** - July 15, 2019 at 09:00 AM