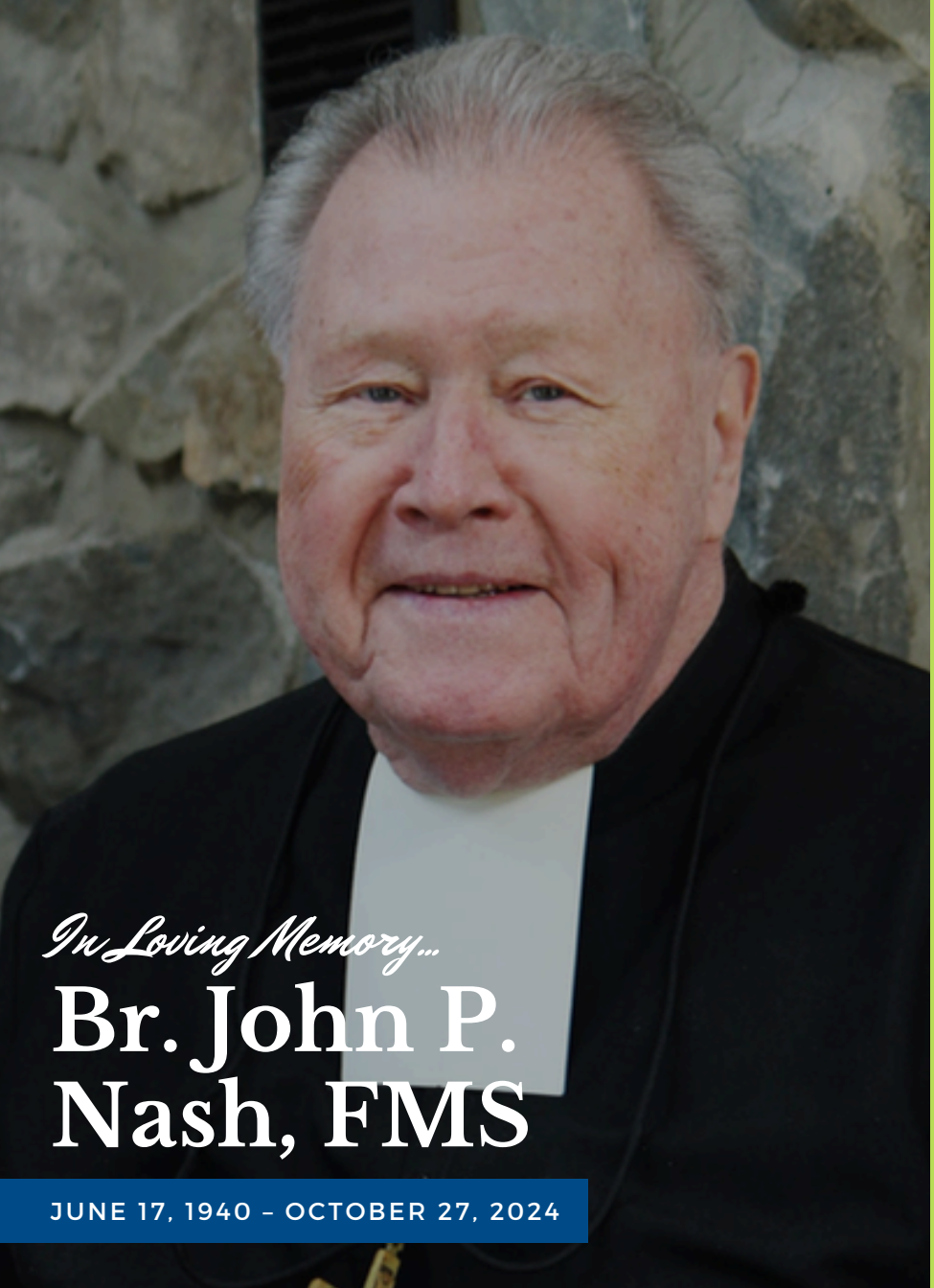

In Loving Memory...

Br. John P. Nash, FMS

JUNE 17, 1940 – OCTOBER 27, 2024



Celebrating the Life of

Br. John P. Nash, FMS

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Born: June 17, 1940
Marist Habit: August 15, 1959
Died: October 27, 2024

We,
the Marist Brothers
dedicate ourselves
to this single aim:
to follow Christ
as Mary Did
We strive for this ideal as a loving community.

-Marist Constitutions

Obituary: written by Br. John Nash

Brother John was born 1940 in the south Bronx, NY, and was a part of St. Luke's Parish. In sixth grade, his family moved to the Throgs Neck section of the Bronx and became part of St. Frances de Chantel Parish. At 15 years old, Br. John left for Esopus, NY, to study with the Marist Brothers and professed first vows in 1960.

Br. John earned a BA in biology from Marist College (Poughkeepsie, NY), an MA in theology from Manhattan College (Manhattan, NY), an MSED in pastoral counseling from Iona College (New Rochelle, NY), and a PhD in clinical psychology from the Pacific Graduate School of Psychology. He was a licensed psychologist in New York and a certified EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) therapist. He served predominantly in the Archdiocese of New York as a teacher, counselor, and therapist.

Brother John loved angels, gardening, and genealogy. He recorded over 2,700 relatives connected by blood or marriage. In his life as a senior Brother, Br. John brought the Province archives into the digital age. He is the son of John P. Nash and Geraldine Ursula Johnson, who passed onto him their love of the Church. He inherited his father's smile and sense of humor, and his mother's passion. The paternal side of his family came from Ireland and Germany, while the maternal side of his family came from St. Kitts, BWI. You always knew what he was thinking by his facial expressions which he could never hide.

He is survived by his brother William and sister-in-law Angela, his niece Denise along with her husband Jeff Luckenbach and their three children Joshua, Jeremy and Jessica, as well as his nephew Steven and his son John Patrick.

"Because it is not what you are nor what you have been that God looks at with his merciful eyes, but what you desire to be." – Pope Francis

A Few of Br. John's Favorite Quotes...

"It is always surprising how small a part of life is taken up by meaningful moments. Most of them are over before they start, although they cast a light on the future and make the person originating them unforgettable."
King and I – the prince commenting on his Father and Anna

William Shakespeare Sonnett #65
"Like as the waves make toward the pebbled shore, So do our minutes hasten to their end. Each changing place with that which goes before, In sequent toil all forwards do contend...."

"I shall be telling this with a sigh Somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I – I took the one less traveled by - And that has made all the difference."
Robert Frost

"Any arbitrary turning along the way and I would be elsewhere. I would be different.... Unthinkable good things can happen even late in the game. It is such a surprise."
Under the Tuscan Sun

"God sees when the footsteps all falter. When the pathway has grown too steep. Then he touches the weary eyelids And gives his dear ones sleep."
FOOTSTEPS

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“…….the effort was worth the gift of my life, the best of my years, the length of my days.”

--Clare Dunn, CSJ & Judy Lovchik, CSJ














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