



TERTIUS ORDO REGULARIS SANCTI FRANCISCI
SECRETARIUS GENERALIS

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Subject: Death notice of Fr. James Greenwell, TOR
Vice Province of Santa María de Guadalupe, Mexico

We have received word that our friend and brother,



FR. JAMES GREENWELL HARDESTY, TOR

died on July 14, 2012, at Deller, Oklahoma, USA, at the age of 88.

Fr. James was born in West Tulsa, Oklahoma on May 24, 1924, the son of William R. Greenwell and Lula Hardesty.

He entered the Order through the Province of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, USA, on June 29, 1947, and professed his first vows on July 1, 1948 in Loretto, PA. He professed his Solemn Vows in Waco, Texas, on July 18, 1951, as a member of the Province of Immaculate Conception of Spain.

Fr. James was ordained to the priesthood in Rome on July 4, 1954, by Bishop Salvatore Baccarini and from his ordination until 1970 he ministered at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Temple, Texas, and in the neighboring Hispanic missions. From 1970 until 1976 he served at the parish of the Sacred Heart in Waco.

In 1976 he requested to be transferred to Sacred Heart Parish in Fairfax, Oklahoma, in the Diocese of Tulsa and in 1984 he was named Pastor of the parish of Holy Rosary in Hartshorne, Oklahoma. In 1987 he suffered a traffic accident and retired to his parents home in Tulsa.



In 1992 he was named Associate Pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Marlin, Texas, in the Diocese of Austin where he served until his retirement.

When the Vice Province of Santa María de Guadalupe was established in 1977 Fr. James remained a member of the Vice Province.

Due to poor health caused by a variety of illnesses Fr. James returned to his birthplace where Sister Death visited him on July 14, 2012. He was buried in the cemetery in Calrely on July 18, 2012.

May he rest in Peace!

Please offer the suffrages for the repose of his soul according to articles 61-67 of the General Statutes.

Fraternally,



Fr. José A. Martorell, TOR
Secretary General