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### **R**obert J. Hartman

Missionary, Guidance Counselor, Chaplain

Robert J. Hartman, 77, of Lewes, Delaware, passed away peacefully on Friday, February 26 at the Delaware Hospice Center in Milford, Delaware.

He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and moved to Northern Kentucky, where he grew up with his 5 brothers and sister. He served as a Catholic missionary in Africa, middle school guidance counselor in Howard County, MD, and hospital chaplain in Columbia, MD. He retired to Lewes, DE with his wife, Katherine, where he enjoyed participating in local clubs and activities, attending The Gull House in Lewes, and singing with local Barbershop quartets. His many friends will remember his joyful spirit, smiling face, singing, dancing, and harmonica playing.

He was a past member of St. John's parish in Columbia, MD, and a member of St. Edmond's Church in Lewes, DE. He lived his life serving God and caring for others.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Katherine Hartman, his daughter and son-in-law, Michele and Robert Gay and their daughters, Sophia, Marie, and Josephine, his son and daughter-in-law Christopher and Tina Hartman, and their daughters, Emma, Eleyna, Julia, and Isabella, his brothers, Charles, Reverend Ralph Hartman, Lawrence Hartman, Reverend Raymond Hartman, sisters-in-law, Maria and Mary Hartman, as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

In addition to his partents, Charles and Clara (Larbig) Hartman, he was preceded in death by his sister, Sister Rosemary Hartman and his brother Fred Hartman.



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Mass of Christian Burial will be offered on Tuesday March 9, 2010 at 11:00 AM at St. Edmond's Catholic Church, 409 King Charles Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE

Burial will follow the Mass at St. Peter's Cemetery, Pilotown Rd., Lewes, DE.

Friends may call at the Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE on Monday evening March 8, 2010 from 5PM - 8PM where prayers will begin at 7:45 PM.

Memorial may be made to Delaware Hospice, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, DE 19963 or to the Gull House, 38149 Terrace Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Windsor's Florist is the florist of choice for this family. 302-227-9481

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## Tribute Wall

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MD

**Michael Davis** posted:

Sorry for your loss. I was a student of Mr.Hartman in 1992 at Harper's Choice Middle School, and he is who I remember most from my middle school days. Once again sorry for your loss he was a good man.

March 30 at 8:00 PM

DW

**Don & Ann Witten** posted:

Dear Kathy, We just read of Bob's death. Bob was such a good and kind man, he will be missed by many. We especially remember his helpfulness when we were having problems with our son many years ago.With our prayers, Ann & Donww

March 10 at 8:00 PM

PB

**Paul And Edwidge Burke** posted:

Dear Kathy,We are very sorry about your great loss. Bob gave my Mom communion at Howard Co Hosp,and I was very thankful for knowing him, teaching with him in summer school when the French and Spanish students came for the cultural experience so well provided by Bob. He was a wonderful man and will be missed by many.

March 10 at 8:00 PM

MM

**Meg & Jerry Meyer** posted:

We feel we were fortunate to have met and known Bob. His always warm and loving nature made him a valued friend and a talented guidance counselor. Kathy, may you find comfort in beautiful memories of this wonderful man.

March 10 at 8:00 PM

NK

**Nancy Kshepakaran** posted:

Kathy,My mom saw this news in the Columbia Flier and shared it with me. I'm so sorry... Bob was a great man who definitely had an influence on me as a young person. Please know that my thoughts are with you and the whole family during this difficult time.Love,Nancy

March 10 at 8:00 PM



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TB

**Toni, Rick, Mick & Brendan** posted:

Although we grieve for our loss here on Earth, Dad's really never leave us. They are with us in the way we treat our children, touch our spouse, uplift the people we meet during the day, and when we talk to our selves on the dark days and the bright days. Know that all of us on the Coast are with you in spirit.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

HP

**Helen Keiser-Pedersen** posted:

Dearest Kathy, What a blessing you have been to each other; now Bob enjoys endless happiness. All my love, Helen

March 7 at 8:00 PM

MW

**Mark And Cheryl Wong** posted:

Dear Kathy, Chris and Michele We will always remember Bob as a kind, warm, giving and gentle man -- a model of Chrisitan faith. We have wonderful memories of being with Bob at the beach house, in Columbia, and celebrating family times together.

March 2 at 8:00 PM

LN

**Luanne Newell** posted:

Dear Kathy, Dan and I were sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He was a kind and caring minister of God and I enjoyed serving under him in the home visitation ministry at St. John's. Our prayers are with you and your family. Luanne Newell

March 2 at 8:00 PM

SM

**Sheila & Charles Mclaughlin** posted:

Dear Kathy & family, We are so sorry to hear about Bob. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. You both have done so much for the Trinity and Columbia communities. Sincerely, Sheila, Charlie, Shannon, Bill & Mike Middleton

March 2 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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