



Rev. William G. Kenneally

November 20, 1935 - October 28, 2021

Father William G. Kenneally, 85, passed away peacefully with family October 28, 2021. He was born November 20, 1935, in Humboldt Park, the son of William P. and Mary (Joyce) Kenneally.

Bill graduated from St. Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary and was ordained a priest on May 1, 1961.

Bill served many parishes including St. Paul of the Cross, Little Flower, St. Edmund, Immaculate Conception, St. Nicholas and remained happily at St. Gertrude for 22 years. Bill also assisted St. Barnabas in retirement.

Bill was known for his devotion to social justice, community organizing, feeding the homeless, educating the young and including everyone. Bill was described as a jolly man with an irrepressible smile. He was part standup comedian and part pastor - full of curiosity and compassion and a huge White Sox fan.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother John (Jack). He is survived by his nephews and countless cousins.

Donations may be made to The Reverend William G. Kenneally Honorary Fund at St. Gertrude Parish 1420 W. Granville Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660

Arrangements

Lying in State

Monday, November 1, 2021

5pm - 8pm

St. Gertrude Parish, 1420 W. Granville Ave, Chicago

Mass

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

10am

St. Gertrude Parish, 1420 W. Granville Ave, Chicago

Interment

All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

700 N River Road
DesPlaines, IL 60016
<http://www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org/locations.php?cem=2>

Previous Events

Visitation in Church

NOV 1. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St Gertrude Catholic Church
1420 W Granville Ave
Chicago, IL 60660
(773) 764-3621

Funeral Mass

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

St Gertrude Catholic Church
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Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. William G. Kenneally*

October 08, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Father Bill, you came to our rescue when my daughter needed to make her first communion. You kindly gave her the opportunity to do this and put her at ease during the process. She remembers you fondly, as do we, her parents.*

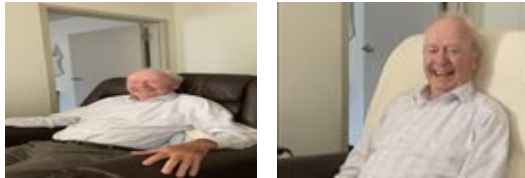
We are so sorry you are gone from us, but know that you are with our Lord in Heaven.

Nancy E Degnan

Nancy - November 26, 2021 at 06:57 PM



“ *9/19/21*



laurie gauger - November 02, 2021 at 11:07 PM

LG

“ September 19 2021. Bill was full of light & positivity. What a special human being. Like so many other parishioners, (St. Paul Park Ridge), our family has such great memories of Bill. It was incredibly uplifting to celebrate him at St. Gertrude's today. I will miss him but he's already soaring free & for that plus his friendship I am truly grateful: Laurie Gauger #8 of Vic & Betty Gauger.



laurie gauger - November 02, 2021 at 06:33 PM

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“ Bill was very kind to me when I was studying at Loyally back in the 90's. He was a highly intelligent and fun loving person. He was a person you looked up to and were all the better for having known. May he rest in peace.
Kevin Rice

Kevin Rice - November 02, 2021 at 09:28 AM

JF

“ Father Bill, you're a wonderful man and priest. I remember all fun times and laughter when your classmates and you would meet at my family's house during your days at the two seminaries. Jim

Jim Fischer - November 01, 2021 at 01:17 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Rev. William G. Kenneally.



October 31, 2021 at 11:59 AM