

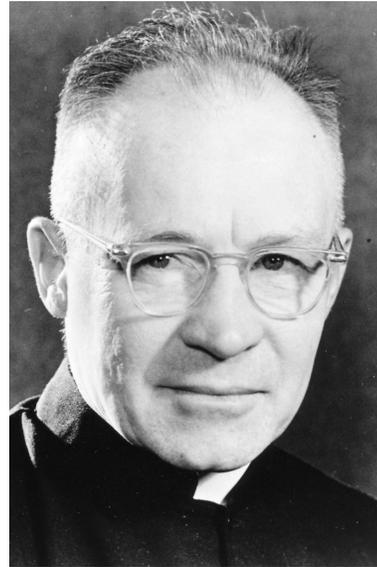
Legacy Project

April 22nd

Brother Ives (George) Kilroy, C.S.C.

born: 8 September 1906

died: 22 April 1988



Ives was born in Savannah, Georgia and attended Benedictine Military School there. He worked for a steamship line, in a cotton factory and for the social security office for 12 years. At the age of 33, he entered Watertown and St. Joseph Novitiate where he made first vows in 1941. Ives studied at Notre Dame and worked at the Ave Maria Press for 2 years. In 1944 he began working at the post office where he spent 23 years of faithful service as one of "Our Lady's mailmen." He served on the staff at Columba Hall for 2 years and in 1969 became a staff member at Le Mans Academy in Rolling Prairie for 16 years. In 1985 illness confined him to Dujarie House. Ives suffered from hearing impairment and experienced periods of depression. In his eulogy for Brother Ives, Br Pedro Haering found a book in Ives' room ("Growing Old and How to Cope With It") which provided insight into Ives' personality. One section of the book emphasized detachment, repentance and rebirth which Pedro likened to Ives' life of achieving wholeness and peace in all he did. Ives gave Pedro a sealed envelope containing a message for his family after his death. He had written: "I do not want you all going to a lot of expense to travel to my funeral, there is no reason you should experience the financial burden. My community will take care of me. Farewell for now, I am looking forward to seeing you all again in paradise."

*The fruit of the spirit is love, peace, kindness,
generosity, and faithfulness. -- Galatians 6:6*

*Pray that your loneliness may spur you into finding
something to live for, great enough to die for.*

-- Dag Hammarskjold