

**December 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Brother Evan (Robert) Schmid, C.S.C.**

*born: 17 July 1920*

*died: 21 December 2004*



Evan was born in Oshkosh, Wisconsin and attended Catholic schools and earned a diploma in secretarial skills from a business college there. He worked briefly as a bookkeeper and entered the Brothers at Watertown in 1939. He studied at the University of Notre Dame, graduating *magna cum laude* with a degree in English in 1944. He later earned a master's degree in 1952. In 1944 he served on the faculty at the Juniorate in Watertown for 3 years. He then taught at Vincentian Institute in Albany. He contracted tuberculosis in 1950 and was a patient at Healthwin Hospital in South Bend for 2 years. He served as a staff member at Columba Hall and taught briefly at Central Catholic High in South Bend until he again required treatment. In 1955 he became the editor of the Associate of St. Joseph magazine, often contributing his poetry. In 1958 he became the secretary to the Provincial at Notre Dame, served for 12 years, and also taught at Holy Cross Junior College. In 1980, he became secretary to the headmaster at Gilmour Academy for 22 years, until health problems required him to return to Notre Dame. Evan was a skilled pianist and organist who played at many community functions. He was well known for his competent secretarial skills. He was an exceptionally brilliant and sensitive man who read a great deal. He also had a penchant for understated wit and humor.

*"You have done good to your servant, O Lord, teach me  
wisdom and knowledge."* **-- Psalm 119:65**

*"Wisdom is knowing what to do next. Skill is knowing how  
to do it. Virtue is doing it."* **-- Thomas Jefferson**