

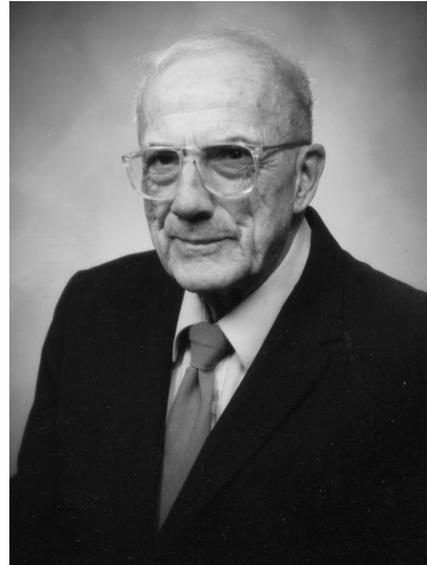
Legacy Project

March 16th

Brother Edward Vincent Courtney, C.S.C.

born: 2 May 1918

died: 16 March 2009



Edward was born in Portland, Oregon, and attended Benson Polytechnic. He worked with the Southern Pacific Railroad, played semi-pro baseball, and umpired. In 1941, He joined the U.S. Army and served in five major campaigns in North Africa and Europe until his discharge in 1945. He joined Holy Cross and went to the juniorate in Watertown and novitiate, where he made his first vows in 1947. His first assignment was to be the circulation manager for the *Associates of St. Joseph* magazine. He then served as a maintenance man at the Community House. Beginning in 1950, Edward served the next 20 years as a canvasser for the *Ave Maria* magazine. In 1970 he served on the staff at Le Mans Academy in Rolling Prairie as a prefect and did maintenance work for 10 years. After a year of study in Kansas City, Edward served on the staff of Columba Hall for 22 years as the community mailman and commissioner for the houses in the Notre Dame area. Because he was a WWII veteran, Edward believed the American flag symbolized freedoms that Americans enjoy. On July 4, 1989, he set up vigil in front of a U.S. flag and sat in a lawn chair for several hours nearly everyday along State Road 933, to honor servicemen and women who died for their country. He received numerous acknowledgments, letters, and awards. He was a prolific contributor to newspapers. His life was a model for all patriotic, loyal and concerned citizens.

*If I am to boast let me glory of the things which concern
my feebleness.* **-- 2 Corinthians 11:30**

*A man's feet must be planted in his country, but his eyes
should survey the world.* **-- George Santayana**