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September 11th

Brother Peter Michael Graham, C.S.C.

born: 28 June 1941

died: 22 September 2012



Peter was born in Akron and attended St. Mary's Elementary and High School, graduating in 1960. He joined Holy Cross, went to the juniorate in 1960 and made his first vows in 1962. He studed at St. Edward's University, earning a bachelor's degree in 1965. He was the Director of Residential Services at St. Charles Boys' Home for 11 years. He served as headmaster of Le Mans Academy for 14 years. Through his fund-raising skills. he witnessed an expansion of the physical plant and enrollment. He directed parent and student boards at Gilmour Academy and then went to Archbishop Hoban High in his home town to serve as Director of Admissions then of Development for 10 years, making a mark on changes and improvements at the school. In 2001 he was appointed the new president of St. Edward High where under his effective leadership and fund-raising, the school experienced a transformation through a \$16 million plan to develop new facilities, an expansion of classrooms and challenging new educational programs. Peter's pride was the Holy Family Chapel with its golden dome. Peter was noted as a caring leader, from his graciousness in meeting people and showing concern for his faculty, staff and especially students. He loved attending sporting events. He rejoiced at the successes of student leaders and athletes. After 10 years as president of St. Edward, he returned to Gilmour in charge of Mission Effectiveness, before severe health issues took him away from the work he loved.

For he leads them and guides them ... through mountains and makes the way level. -- Isaiah: 49:10,11

Nothing so proves a man's ability to lead others as what he does from day to day to lead himself. -- Thomas J. Watson