

## *Legacy Project*

# August 24<sup>th</sup>

## **Brother Clement Adam Burger, C.S.C.**

*born: 14 July 1942*

*died: 24 August 2014*



Clement was born in Lancaster, PA and attended St. Joseph Elementary School and Lancaster Catholic High, graduating in 1960. He went to the University of Notre Dame majoring in history and government, graduating in 1964. He proceeded into graduate school and earned a master's degree in 1967 in government and international studies. While participating in a Cursillo retreat, he was inspired by a presentation by a Holy Cross Brother (unknown) and made the decision to join Holy Cross. He went to the juniorate in Valatie, New York and then the novitiate, making his first vows in 1969. He taught at St. Joseph High in South Bend for a year and then Gibault School and in 1971 he joined the staff at Boysville of Michigan for 4 years. He was eager to return to classroom teaching and joined the faculty at Holy Trinity High in Chicago where he spent the next 32 years. He was revered as a stimulating and outstanding teacher in his history, government and law courses. His students often won the "Street Law Moot Court" competition sponsored by Loyola Law School. He took his students on summer excursion trips to visit courtrooms and legislative sessions in city, state and federal governments. He was the moderator and inspiration for his students on the National Honor Society. In 2007 he joined the staff of St. Joseph College Seminary at Loyola serving there for 6 years. He faithfully carried on correspondence with his former students for many years who fondly remembered his generosity.

*I direct you on the way of wisdom, I lead you on straightforward paths.*

**-- Proverbs 4:11**

*A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.*

**-- Henry Brooks Adams**