

Legacy Project

September 13th

Brother Andrew Dennis Sukenik, C.S.C.

born: 8 June 1927

died: 13 September 1986



Andrew was born and raised in Johnston, PA. After high school he served in the U.S. Navy for a year and worked in the steel industry. He joined Holy Cross entering the juniorate in Watertown in 1948 and made first vows in 1950. He studied at Notre Dame and earned a bachelor's degree in 1954. He taught at St. Joseph's High in South Bend and Gilmour Academy and then spent 5 years teaching at Hoban High in Akron. In 1961, he joined the first faculty at Holy Cross High in River Grove. Andrew was appointed the superior of Columba Hall where his kind and charitable attitude brightened the community. He loved to sing and would do so at the drop of a note, either in Community sing-a-longs or when inviting friends from River Grove to visit. Andrew's green thumb was responsible for planting shrubbery around Columba and trees adjacent to Holy Cross Village. He taught at Catholic Central in Monroe for 4 years. In 1976, he moved to Gilmour Academy to devote the next 10 years to teaching and counseling students. Students loved him and often greeted him with a hug. They knew he cared since he'd spend time with any student, friend, or needy individual without a concern for the clock.

*Put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, gentleness, humility,
bearing with one another in love. -- Colossians 3:12*

*If you want others to be happy, practice compassion.
If you want to be happy, practice compassion. -- Dalai Lama*