

*Legacy Project*

**March 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Brother Raymond (LeRoy)Trottman, C.S.C.**

*born: 23 February 1927*

*died: 18 March 2018*



Raymond was born in Chicago, the son of William and Ann (Schanne) and attended Angel Guardian Elementary and St. Michael's High School, graduating in 1945. He joined the U. S. Navy and rose to the rank of Seaman, 1st Class and served in the Pacific theater. He returned to Chicago and served a 6-year apprenticeship as a member of the Chicago Typographic Union and worked as a typesetter for four different companies. He believed he had a calling to the religious life and had the opportunity to serve God while also practicing his trade by becoming a Holy Cross Brother. After his novitiate year he began work at the Ave Maria Press at Notre Dame to continue his love of the apostolate of the press. He faithfully worked there for 36 years, as a typesetter, proofreader and tracker of jobs until he retired in 1996. Raymond has the "shortest" Obituary card since he only had two ministries: working at the "Ave" and living as a staff member at Columba Hall for 58 years. One of his fond responsibilities was sacristan , especially at Christmas time since he loved to procure the poinsettias, decorate the altar and arrange the crib set and sanctuary with beautiful flowers. He loved Notre Dame sports and his Chicago White Sox and would 'devour' the information in the daily papers, often relating fascinating information he found to his dinner table partners.

*"His work is perfect, for all God's ways are such."*

*-- Deutoronomy 32:4*

*All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with excellence.*

*-- Martin Luther King, Jr.*