



**Rev. Gabriel J. AKA James L. Fox**, born and raised in Chicago Heights, IL, and died Monday, December 29, 2015 in St. Petersburg Florida after a short illness. He attended the former St. Ann's Parish School and graduated from Bloom Township High School in 1954. In 1968, he joined the Conventual Franciscan Province Order in Indiana and was ordained a Catholic priest in 1974 in Rome. Father Gabriel served parishes in Indiana, Wisconsin and Kentucky, before being assigned pastor of Holy Cross Church on Beaver Island, MI for six years. In 1986, he joined the Diocese of Gaylord, MI and served as pastor of several churches in Frankfort, Ossineke, Black River and Manistee, where he retired in 2001. Father Gabriel is survived by his sister, Barbara Zandi (the late James) of Fort Mohave, AZ, his brother-in-law, George Sedlacek (Bonnie) of Crete, several nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Helen (Bergin) Fox, his stepfather, Joseph Magner and one niece Elizabeth Young. Visitation will be held at St. Agnes Church 1501 Chicago Rd, Chicago Heights IL 60411 on Thursday, January 7, 2016 from 9:30AM until time of funeral mass at 11:00AM and a burial at Assumption Cemetery in Glenwood, IL following the mass. Memorials may be directed to the Priest Retirement Fund of the Diocese of Gaylord, Michigan. Funeral Arrangements handled by Kurtz Memorial Chapel, Frankfort, [www.kurtzmemorialchapel.com](http://www.kurtzmemorialchapel.com) or 815-806-2225

"I lived, I was loved, I was happy! I'll see you in Heaven!"