



Br. Nicholas Arden Lorson

September 10, 1941 - October 10, 2022

Br. Nicholas (Arden H.) Lorson, OFM Conv., 81, a Franciscan Friar of Our Lady of the Angels Province, passed away peacefully on Monday, October 10, 2022 at Our Lady of the Angels Care Center, Enfield, CT. Born in Johnson City, NY on September 10, 1941, he was a son of the late Ralph N. and Marie Ann (Keefer) Lorson. Br. Nicholas entered the Franciscan order in Middleburg, NY, August 11, 1960, and professed his Simple Vows there on August 12, 1961. He professed his Solemn Vows in Rensselaer, NY August 28, 1965. In 1964 he began ministry at the province's Mission House as the friary treasurer and cook. He assisted the pastor and taught religious education at St. Joseph Church, Binghamton, NY from 1974-75. From 1976 to 1980 he taught and ran the printing press at Bishop Canevin High School in Pittsburgh, PA. From 1980 -1997 he lived in St. Anthony on Hudson, Rensselaer, where he started and ran the press room. From 1995 to 1997 he became the director of the gift shop. In 1997 he moved to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church and Filial House in Seaside Heights, NJ and remained there until 2015. That year he retired to St. Hyacinth Senior Friars Residence, Chicopee, MA. In 2021 he moved to Our Lady the Angels Care Home in Enfield. Br. Nicholas was also a "ham radio" aficionado. He used this technology, in the pre cell-phone days, to communicate and form friendships with folks all over the world. He even used it to help the Province administration connect with its missionaries in Brazil, Costa Rica and beyond. Br. Nicholas was predeceased by his sister Martha Ann, and is survived by his brother Ralph Nicholas Lorson, Jr., of North

Falmouth, MA. Calling hours for Br. Nicholas will be held Thursday from 6-7PM at Our Lady of the Angels Chapel, 1315 Enfield St. Enfield, CT, followed by a Franciscan Wake Service at 7PM. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday at 10:30AM in the Chapel, followed by burial in Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery, Colonie, NY. Memorial contributions may be made to the Franciscan Education Fund, 12300 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042.

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery

Colonie, NY

Previous Events

Calling Hour

OCT **13.** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Our Lady of the Angels Chapel
1315 Enfield St.
Enfield, CT

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **14.** 10:30 AM.

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