Death Notice No. 17 (To all Unit Administrations):

The Region of Argentina, recommends to our fraternal prayers our dear brother, CARLOS RUIZ, of the Buenos Aires Religious Community (Argentina), who died in the service of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 31, 2012 in Buenos Aires, at the age of 68 with 50 years of religious profession.

Carlos Ruiz was born in Silanes, a small town in the Province of Burgos, Spain. At the age of 11 he entered the Marianist Postulate in Valladolid. At 17 he entered the novitiate, making his first profession of vows as a Marianist religious one year later.

After a few years of study in Madrid, he was sent as a missionary to the Marianist Province of Argentina in 1966. In Buenos Aires he studied at the Faculty of CONSUDEC [Higher Council of Catholic Education] and earned his teaching certificate in biology.

He taught on the secondary level at various times in all the Marianist educational institutions in Argentina: Buenos Aires, 9 de Julio, Junín and Monte Quemado.

He also took on administrative responsibilities as Rector of the Colegio Marianista de Junín (Buenos Aires Province, 1979-1981) and of the Colegio San Francisco Solano de Monte Quemado (Santiago del Estero, 1981-1984).

When his superiors assigned him to be a member of Marianist religious communities that directed parishes, besides deploying his pastoral gifts, he continued his teaching work in public schools, as in the towns of Catriel and General Roca in the Province of Rio Negro. In the latter city he dedicated himself especially to adult education, and finished up his “official” teaching career there.

Upon return to Buenos Aires he shared the life and mission of the parish community of the Immaculate Virgin in the Barrio Ramón Carrillo, where, besides participating in several pastoral programs, he offered remedial classes in various subjects for secondary students of the Barrio.

Carlos was a Marianist religious and educator, who integrated his academic and pastoral work with personal accompaniment of his students, and who is remembered with affection and gratitude in all the institutions where he carried out his educational mission.

He has left us the gift of his simple and gentle witness, in which he habitually and joyfully expressed his inner little boy.
For that Brother Carlos Ruiz was always familiarly called and known by all as “Carlitos.”

May he rest in peace.