Brother Carmine T. Annunziata, S.M.

Carmine Annunziata was born June 2, 1931, in Brooklyn, New York. He was raised with his two brothers, Frank and Eugene at St. John's Home, then in Brooklyn, New York, by the Marianists.

He would enter the Society of Mary (Marianists) and profess first vows on September 8, 1950. Carmine would hold degrees from the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio and Neuman University, Aston, PA. He would go on to teach history and theology throughout his ministry.

In his early years he would teach at Chaminade High School in Dayton, OH and at Cathedral Latin High School in Cleveland, OH. He would then travel to St. James High School in Chester, PA. Three times he would be assigned to St. James: 1964-65, 1970-1972, and 1979-92 for a total of 16 years.

He would be the founding principal of Matero Boys Secondary School in Lusaka, Zambia. He would serve there for 33 years.

And finally he would be assigned to Nairobi, Kenya in 2014: mentoring the young brothers in training there, always in service to the education of the poor in the Marianist school in Nairobi.

He would die on January 15, 2022 in Nairobi, Kenya and he is buried at the Marianist Novitiate in Lumuru, Kenya next to his brother, Brother Frank Annunziata, S.M.

Brother Carmine was an engaging teacher full of energy and creativity. He was an very able administrator: a builder of buildings and an example to the men and women with whom worked with him, and radiated a vision for the future. He was a warm and generous man and great humor. Joy and energy he brought to the classroom and to the missions.

Posthumously printed was a book of collection of Brother Carmine's essays. He was able to perceive the presence of God in all the dark and joyous experiences of his life. He was able to engage his experience of God. This experience inspired him to be generous and courageous and drove his missionary zeal.

Brother Carmine Annunziata has touched very many lives in Chester, Pa and in Lusaka, Zambia particularly. He was a caring, kind, funny and humble Marianist, a genuinely inspirational leader.

Thank you to St. James and for this honor to Brother Camine Annunziata. We are so grateful and happy to have shared this unique man with so many of you.