



**Brother Edward Harrison
(1918-2009)**

Alfred ME. "Dedicated service in so many countries across the world... in many different apostolates... always with energy, good will, wonderful cooperation and deep interest in students...gentle man, making no demands of any one...prayerful, grateful and generous..." such are the many tributes paid to Brother Edward

Harrison. He died at Greenwood Center in Sanford, Me., at 91, on August 6, 2009.

Born in the Ste Felicite (Matane), Quebec, Canada, he was the son of Joseph Harrison and Albina Deschesne. He attended the Brothers School in Farnham, Quebec, and entered the juniorate in La Prairie, Quebec, on Jan. 2, 1931. He took the habit on Sept 8, 1933, and pronounced his final vows on Sept. 14, 1939. Last summer he celebrated his seventy-fifth anniversary of religious life.

Br Edward traveled far and wide to pursue his teaching career in French and Spanish. He started teaching in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, in 1934 for eight years. From there he was sent to Fall River, Mass.; Sanford, ME. and Plattsburgh, N.Y. in the U.S. and then moved to New Brunswick, Canada, from 1957 to 1963. For almost twenty years he taught at Walsh College, and then returned to Haiti for another eight

years. He finally retired in Plattsburgh in 1999 for a few years and his last six years were spent in Alfred.

Reflecting upon his life at one of his anniversary celebrations he remarked: "Teaching to youngsters has always been one of my predilections after my dedication to the service of God. It is very encouraging and rewarding in spite of some difficulties to help in the education of other people and to realize in so doing one has a great influence on their minds and life."

This statement was confirmed by Br. Theodore Letendre in his homily at his funeral mass in Alfred on Aug. 18, 2009.

He is survived by his sister and four brothers: Mrs. Jeanne Robert, Mr. Robert Harrison, Mr. Maurice Harrison, Mr. Alfred Harrison and Mr. Oscar Harrison. His interment took place at the Brothers Cemetery in Alfred.

Alfred Community Enjoys Summer Days

At the request of Sveta, a student from Krasnodar, Russia, who came for summer work in the US, the Alfred Community gathered for a photo-op.

