

**Fr. Anthony V. Rodrigues - Sacred Heart 1988-2008**



Anthony Rodrigues Class of 1941 and Officer's Candidate School 1942



Anthony Rodrigues Class of 1954 Maryknoll Graduation and His Ordination Class Photo 1954



Fr. Anthony Rodrigues and his mother Helen Pereira Rodrigues 1954 and Fr. Tony in Honolulu 1954



Rev. Anthony Rodrigues M.M. at first Mass - Saint Patrick Church, Kaimuki, Honolulu 1954

Name:	<b>Rev. Anthony Vincent Rodrigues</b>
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Death Date:	October 11, 2009
Death Place:	Great Falls, MT
Age at Death:	86
Birth Date:	1923

Father Anthony V. Rodrigues. 86, of Honolulu, Hawaii died on October 11, 2009 in Great Falls, Montana. He was an Alumnus of St. Louis High School class of 1941. He was a Maryknoll Priest, Trappist Monk, Army Chaplain and a Diocesan Priest in Virginia. He retired in Montana. A sister Lucy Caires survives him, and 16 nieces and Nephews. He was buried at Mount Olivet Cemetery with full military honors.

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Fr. Anthony Rodrigues dies in Montana Oct. 11

Father Anthony Rodrigues, a retired priest of the Diocese of Richmond who served as pastor of Holy Spirit, Jonesville, and Sacred Heart Parish in Big Stone Gap, died Oct. 11 in Billings, Montana.

Father Rodrigues also served as pastor of St. Pius X Parish in Norfolk. A graduate of the University of Dayton, he was ordained a Maryknoll priest and sent to Bolivia as a missionary in 1954.

Father Rodrigues volunteered as an Army chaplain in 1967 and served in Korea and Vietnam.

He retired from the Army and came to the Diocese of Richmond in 1988. After retiring from active ministry in June 2003, he moved to Montana.

The Catholic Virginian learned of his death just before press time of this issue.

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SAINT LOUIS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
DECEMBER 2003

Following is a letter from, Jack Caldeira  
Class of 1941 Alumni Committee:

Dear Classmates and Other Friends:

Our classmate and fellow graduate of St. Louis, Class of 1941, Father Anthony "Tony" V. Rodrigues, retired from Holy Spirit Church in Jonesville, Virginia, in the diocese of Richmond, Virginia. He has spent his lifetime helping and ministering to many others who needed help. Now, he could use some help - this time, for his own physical and financial benefit.

A quick recap of significant dates in Tony's life highlights his dedicated commitment to "helping the poor, the wounded and sick, the homeless - those who are less fortunate than we are."

Significant happenings in Tony's life:

- Graduated from St. Louis College, 1941
- Awarded scholarship to Dayton University, 1941
- Joined the US Navy V-12 Program, Dayton, 1942
- Called to active duty - US Navy, 1943
- Joined the Maryknoll order after discharge, 1945
- Ordained Maryknoll priest and sent to Bolivia, 1954

- Built Our Lady of Fatima Church in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, 1955-1956
- Graduated from Dayton - BS in Biology, 1958
- Volunteered as Chaplain, US Army, serving in Korea & Vietnam, 1967
- Retired from the Army - entered the Diocese of Richmond, VA, 1988
- Volunteered to serve at Sacred Heart Church, in the impoverished Appalachian coal mining area of Big Stone Gap, Virginia, 1988
- Built and dedicated the new church of Holy Spirit, in that area, 1997
- Retired and moved to Denton, Montana, June 1, 2003

In considering his retirement, he had to find a location, where, year round weather would not affect his, already troubled health condition and the acquisition of a home, which was 100+ years old and in need of major repairs.

Tony has asked us to, "Please pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire generous hearts to assist me, and provide the healing hands of the doctors to cure me." Mahalo for any help you can give him! Anyone who would like to help Fr. Tony Rodrigues in his time of need, please send your check to:

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