

✠ BROTHER JAMES EDWARD BAILEY, O.P. ✠

Brother James Edward Bailey, O.P., of the Dominican House of Studies, River Forest, Illinois, died on November 7th in Oak Park, Illinois, after an illness of two days. He was in his 18th year, and was the youngest lay brother novice, as well as the first colored lay brother, in the Province of St. Albert the Great. Death was caused by peritonitis.

Before he died, Brother James received the last sacraments, and pronounced his Solemn Vows. His profession was received by the Very Reverend J. A. Driscoll, O.P., Prior of the House of Studies. The Very Reverend R. P. O'Brien, O.P., read the prayers for the dying.

Brother James was buried after a solemn Mass of Requiem at the chapel of the House of Studies on November 9th. Father O'Brien was celebrant of the Mass, Father Driscoll was deacon, and the Reverend R. G. Byrnes, O.P., Master of Lay Brothers, was subdeacon. The Reverend W. T. Barron, O.P., preached the eulogy. Burial was in the Dominican Plot, All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, Illinois. Father O'Brien conducted the ceremonies at the grave.

Born at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on August 13, 1927, Brother James was the son of the late Edward Bailey and Mrs. Susan Bailey. He began his postulancy on November 21, 1943, and received the Dominican habit on August 14, 1944.

Devoted to the Blessed Sacrament, and eager to imitate the example of Blessed Martin de Porres, Brother James worked wholeheartedly in his chosen vocation. Father Barron, who had been his Novice Master, recalled in the eulogy that Brother James had knelt each morning before the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin, and had frequently made the Stations of the Cross.

To his mother, Mrs. Susan Bailey, his sister Lucille, his brother Ralph, and his other relatives and friends, *Dominicana* extends sincerest sympathy.