



Reverend Blake LaMounte Sayers II

February 26, 1953 - April 20, 2025

The Reverend Blake LaMounte (“Monty”) Sayers II, 72, died Sunday, April 20, 2025 at Penn Highlands Hospital in DuBois, Pennsylvania.

Father Sayers was born on February 26, 1953 in DuBois, Pennsylvania, the son of the late Blake LaMounte and Maureen (Hassan) Sayers. After attending DuBois Area Schools, he attended Clarion State College, earning his degree in Education in 1975. Father Sayers entered St. Mary’s Seminary & University, Baltimore, MD in 1981 and attained a Master of Divinity in 1985. He was ordained a priest on August 29, 1986 at St. Catherine of Siena Church, DuBois, by The Most Reverend Michael J. Murphy.

He began his priestly ministry as a Parochial Vicar for the parishes of Saint Eusebius, East Brady; Immaculate Conception, Clarion; and Saint Stephen, Oil City.

Father Sayers was appointed Pastor of Saint Hippolyte, Guys Mills in 1996, a position he held until 2006. In 2006, he was appointed Pastor of Immaculate Conception, Clarion, a position he held for more than 18 years, until his death. He served the Diocese of Erie as a member of the Diocesan Board from 1999 to 2004, completing a term as Chairman in 2002. He again was a member of the Diocesan Board from 2020 to 2024. He was Dean for the Oil City Deanery from 2020 to 2024. He served college students at Clarion University as Chaplain and Coordinator for Catholic Campus Ministry, a role he held for 12 years until 2024.

In addition to his parents, Father Sayers was preceded in death by his brother,

Guy Scott Sayers, and Scott's wife, Wendy (Swanson) Sayers.

He is survived by his sister, Susan (Mark) Miller, his brother Andrew (Mary Mike) Sayers, his nieces Meghan (Jon) Freidhoff, Katie Miller, Kelly (Nikole) Miller, and Tessa Sayers, and nephews Joshua (Jess) Sayers, Christopher (Meg) Sayers, Timothy Sayers, Benjamin (Carli) Miller, Patrick Sayers, and Daniel Sayers.

Monty will always be remembered for his larger-than-life personality, his love of traveling the world, and his love for all things Clarion. But most of all his love of family and friends.

Visitation will take place on Friday, April 25 at Immaculate Conception Church, 720 Liberty St., Clarion, PA 16214 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM and on Saturday, April 26 at Immaculate Conception Church from 9:00 AM until the Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM, with The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, Bishop of Erie, as the main celebrant.

Burial will follow in St. Catherine Cemetery, DuBois, PA.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Immaculate Conception Parish at 720 Liberty St., Clarion, PA 16214, or Immaculate Conception Parish School at 729 Main St., Clarion, PA 16214.