

In the Father's House

«As we have been united
in the profession of the faith,
so let us keep ourselves united
in suffrage and intercession».
(Fr. Alberione)



At 8:15 PM (local time) on 10 November 2020, our brother Disciple of the Divine Master died in the infirmary of Alba

BROTHER CARMELO GIULIO FRAU **85 years, 66 of Pauline life and 61 of religious profession**

Brother Carmelo died of natural causes, reaching the eternal prize just one day after his novice companion, Brother Bruno Tamai, left us. He suffered from hydrocephalus that, by compressing his brain, caused an intermittent sleep state, which had prevented him from a normal life for years. This did not prevent him from taking care of the dimension of prayer, and especially the rosary, a sign of his particular devotion to the Queen of the Apostles. He was often met in the infirmary in Alba with the rosary in hand.

He was born in Gonnoscodina, Sardinia, on 20 July 1935. On 7 September 1954, at the age of 19, he entered the Congregation in Alba. After taking the religious habit, he lived the novitiate in Ostia (Rome), where on 8 September 1959 he pronounced his first vows, taking the religious name of Giulio. In Rome, exactly five years later, he forever confirmed his consecration to God as a Disciple of the Divine Master in the Society of Saint Paul. He practically lived his entire life in rotogravure, both in the time of his formation and, as perpetual professed, in Rome (1966-1967) and then definitively in Alba, at least as long as his strength allowed him. Many years lived with the worker's overalls and the heart of an apostle, in hiddenness and in fidelity to everyday life in front of that instrument that was then one of the most modern pulpits from which to preach the Good News: the rotogravure machine.

Brother Carmelo was, from a young age, a person of few words, with a reserved character, as the formators pointed out, who also registered a character a little gruff, stubborn at times, not used to chatting and more inclined to action, from a great worker as he had always been. And he did not fail to serve his community of Alba as cellar man, charged with that healthy good humour, bringing wine to the table.

Let us now lay down all the good that Brother Carmelo did in his life at the foot of the altar. May the Lord transform the many seeds sown in his field by this apostle into fruits of good for souls. And grant him the crown of justice, which awaits the faithful disciples (2Tm 4: 8).

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Father Stefano Stimamiglio, ssp
Secretary General

Brother Carmelo's farewell will be celebrated on Thursday 12 November at 9 AM in the Tempio San Paolo in Alba, together with that of Brother Bruno Tamai, who died the day before yesterday. His body will then be buried in the city cemetery.

The Superiors of Circumscriptions are to inform their communities for the suffrages prescribed (Const. 65 and 65.1).

