

A Brief History - Fr. Hilario Spader (September 2, 1932 - July 16, 2022)



Hilário Spader was born in Encantado - RS, on September 2, 1932. Son of Arcangelo Spader and Maria Possebon Spader. He was baptized on October 6, 1932 and confirmed on January 10, 1936. He entered the seminary São Camilo de Iomerê-SC, on March 03, 1945.

Hilario entered the novitiate on December 7, 1951 and made his first religious profession on December 8, 1952. He made his final profession in the Order of the Ministers of the Sick on February 2, 1956. He was ordained a deacon on December 21, 1957 and a priest on June 29, 1958.

In his 70 years of consecrated life, Fr. Hilario was a formator and hospital chaplain. He was a formator and professor at the St. Camillus Seminary of Vila Pompeia (1959-1962), where he was also provincial secretary; of Iomerê (1965); of Assis Chateaubreant (1966-1970), where he was also superior of the community; of Macapá (1984-1986), where he was also superior of the community; of Pinhais (1986-1989), where he was also superior of the community. As chaplain he was in the Hospital do Servidor Público de São Paulo (1970-1976); in the Santos Hospitals (1977-1983) period when he was also superior of the Santa Cruz community; São Camilo and São Luiz Hospital in Macapá (1989-1995); São Camilo Hospital in Santana (1995-2013); and Recanto São Camilo Jaçanã (2013-2015).

In May 2015, he moved to the Recanto São Camilo in Cotia, because his health began to inspire care. Since then, he had a long convalescence, being cared for by our religious and health professionals. By the end of June 2022, his clinical condition worsened and his body no longer responded to treatment. Thus, on July 16, 2022, feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, he died at São Camilo Hospital in Granja Viana, where he spent the last years of his life, cared for by health professionals and accompanied by his confreres.

We are grateful to God for the life, vocation and witness of Fr. Hilario, especially for his dedication to the formation of seminarians and hospital chaplaincy, leaving a mark of care and spirituality wherever he went. After a period of wakefulness and a mass, our confrere was buried in the tomb of the Camillian Province of Brazil in the Cemetery of the Blessed Sacrament.

*"Then the King will say to those on his right hand, 'Come, you blessed of my Father! Receive as your inheritance the kingdom which my Father has given you.
For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me into your home, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you cared for me, I was in prison and you came to me.
(Mt 25:34-36).*