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DAYTON, Ohio, August 22, 1968 --- Reverend Henry J. Kobe, S.M., former Vice-President and Dean of the University of Dayton died yesterday at Rockaway Park, New York.

Father Kobe was a native of Brooklyn, New York and was born on April 30, 1903. He entered the Society of Mary in 1919, took his final vows in Dayton in 1925 and was ordained as priest at the Marianist Seminary in Fribourg, Switzerland in 1933. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history at the University of Dayton in 1925 and pursued graduate studies in Fribourg and at the Catholic University of America.

He taught in several high schools and came to UD in 1933 where he taught for two years. He returned again in 1939 as an assistant professor of history and in 1942 was named acting head of the department of history. He served as assistant dean of arts in 1941, dean of arts in 1943 and in 1949 he became dean and Vice-President of the University. During World War II, he served as Chaplain with the U.S. Army Signal Corps.

Father Kobe served as Vice-President and Dean of the University until 1957. He then went to St. John's Home in Rockaway Park as chaplain. For the past two years he was supervisor there.

Funeral services will be held for Father Kobe in Baltimore, Maryland on Saturday morning. Father John Dickson, Provincial of the New York Province of the Society of Mary will celebrate the funeral mass. Burial will also be in Baltimore.