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The Body of Brother John Bertone, S.M., Arrives at the University of Dayton

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DAYTON, Ohio, December 23, 1971 --- The body of Brother John Bertone, S.M., who was attached to Marianist institutions in Dayton from 1948 to 1964, arrived on the University of Dayton campus this morning. Brother Bertone, 43, who was headmaster of the Mzuzu Technical School in Malawi, Africa, died in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, England, on December 16. He had been transferred there for treatment.

Services for Brother Bertone will be conducted on Tuesday, December 28, at 9:30 a.m. from the University's Alumni Hall Chapel, with burial in the Queen of Heaven Cemetery on UD's East Campus. Friends may call at the Alumni Hall Chapel from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday, December 27.

Previous to his departure for Malawi in 1964 Brother Bertone had spent 16 years in Dayton serving as a stationary engineer and maintenance director at Marianist institutions including Chaminade High School and the Retreat House at Mount St. John (now the East Campus). Brother John's first task in the African missions was the construction of a church in Karonga, Malawi, with the assistance of native labor whom he trained as the work progressed. At the conclusion of this project he opened the Mzuzu Technical School aided by Brother Robert Bulanda, S.M.

A native of Long Island City, New York, Brother Bertone entered the Society of Mary and professed his first vows in 1948. He is survived by two brothers, Michael of Hackensack, New Jersey; and Patrick of Astoria, Long Island.

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