

## Oblate Kilian Nille

November 15th is the anniversary of the death of Oblate Kilian Nille. John Nille was born in the region of Swabia, Germany, on January 10, 1863. He came to the United States and later, wishing to serve in a monastic community, he came to Subiaco, making his oblation as a member of our community on September 8, 1916, receiving the name Kilian.

After making his oblation at age 53, Brother Kilian served our community for nine years in various household and outdoor duties.

During the summer of 1925, Brother Kilian's health began to fail. Our community witnessed five of its members called to eternity within less than a year, between February and early November of 1925.

Brother Kilian's death at 2:30 a. m. on Sunday, November 15, 1925, increased the number to six. He died in the abbey infirmary as the result of a gastric ailment and complications.

At the time of his death, Brother Kilian was 62 years old and in the 9th year of his claustral oblation. He is buried in our cemetery.

