

## **Sister Ruth McCarron, CSA**

Sister Ruth (formerly Mary Margaret) McCarron, CSA, 74, a resident of Nazareth Center & Court, Fond du Lac, passed away on Thursday, September 6, 2007.

Sister Ruth was born July 8, 1933, in New York City, NY, a daughter of the late John and Amelia Bernhard McCarron.

She professed vows in the Congregation of St. Agnes on August 15, 1953. Sister Ruth ministered as a primary teacher in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and New York.



With a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a master's degree as a reading specialist, Sister Ruth taught mainly primary grades for 25 years in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Indiana, and New York. Following her classroom years, she spent several years in community service at the Motherhouse, where her talent for art led her to create environments of beauty, especially for community celebrations. Her spirit was fed by mystics and poets, especially Jessica Powers, Hildegard of Bingen, Thomas Merton, and Macrina Wiederkehr. That love for mysticism and a certificate in theology formed the basis for her parish service in more recent years. She will be remembered for the beauty of her art, her poetic soul, and her mystic spirit.

Survivors include three sisters, Mary (Robert) Tependino of New York, NY, Lillian (Robert) Corbett of Southbury, Connecticut, and Margie (Mattie) Josephson of Patterson, NY; one brother, John McCarron of Greenwich, NY; nieces; nephews; and the Sisters of St. Agnes with whom she ministered.

Her parents preceded her in death.

- Visitation: Visitation will be held from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 9, 2007, at Nazareth Court, 375 Gillett St., in Fond du Lac. A prayer service will be held at 4 p.m.
- Services: A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:15 a.m. on Monday, September 10, 2007, at the St. Francis Home Chapel, 33 Everett St., Fond du Lac. The Rev. Edward Sippel will officiate. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Springs Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Sisters of St. Agnes Development Office, 320 County Road K, Fond du Lac, WI 54935.