Sister Anne Matisek, CSA

Sister Anne Matisek, CSA, formerly known as Sister Wilhelmine, died peacefully in St. Agnes Hospital on August 30, 2014.

Anne was born in Atwood, KS, on November 9, 1919, to Joseph Matisek and Anna Kytner Matisek. Her family included eight girls and two boys. She made her profession of vows as Sister Wilhelmine in the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes on August 15, 1939. Sister received a B.S. in Education from Marian College of Fond du Lac, WI, and an M.A. in Education from Creighton University, Omaha, NE. She taught middle school students for 18 years in WI, NY, and KS, before being assigned to teach math in high school for 14 years in WI and NY. For nine years Sister served as principal and middle school teacher in Colby, KS. In 1980 Sister Anne went to Mobile, AL, to assist in the Service Center of Catholic Social Services. Within the year she took a pastoral ministry position at Our Savior Parish and ministered there for eight years. Next she was pastoral minister at St. Thomas Parish in Chickasaw, AL, for 17 years. Sister Anne moved to Montgomery, AL, where her ministry was one of presence until she fully retired in 2011, becoming a resident at Nazareth Center in Fond du Lac.

Sister Anne was preceded in death by her parents Joseph Matisek and Anna Kytner Matisek, and by her siblings: Jerry Matisek, Joseph Matisek, Jo Matisek, Lyda Harvanek, Agnes Leitner, Mary Jane Duncan, Frances Wilson, Helen Myers, and Ruth Matisek.

Sister is survived by numerous devoted nieces and nephews and their families, and by the Sisters of St. Agnes, with whom she lived, prayed, and ministered.

Visitation for Sister Anne will be September 4, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., at Nazareth Court and Center, 375 Gillett Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. A prayer service will be held in the Nazareth Center Chapel at 11:30 a.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. on September 4, 2014, at St. Francis Home Chapel, 33 Everett Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The presider will be Father Ken Smits, Capuchin. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Springs Cemetery.

Memorials can be directed to the Sisters of St. Agnes Development Office, 320 County Road K, Fond du Lac, WI 54937.

The Sisters of St. Agnes are grateful to the nurses and staff of Nazareth Court and Center for their care of Sister Anne in these last years of her life.

Zacherl Funeral Home is serving the Sisters of the Congregation of St. Agnes.