Sister Francis Rose Dinkel, CSA

Sister Francis Rose Dinkel, CSA, Isabella Dinkel, died on September 4, 2013, at St. Francis Home. She died peacefully while sleeping, with a smile on her face.

Sister Francis Rose was born in Victoria, KS, on January 17, 1925, to Frank and Rosa Hertel Dinkel. Sister was one of fifteen children, ten girls and five boys.

Sister Francis Rose made first profession of vows in the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes on August 15, 1953. Sister started her ministry with CSA in Holy Family Orphans' Home, Marquette, MI, as housemother for older boys. She was a teacher for 35 years in Kansas and Wisconsin. Upon retiring from teaching, she ministered as homemaker at St. Mary’s in Decatur, IN; later she worked in parish ministry at St. Michaels, AZ, and at Thomas More Prep-Marian High School in Hays, KS. In addition to her professional life, Sister was skilled in crafts and spent significant time restoring and upholstering furniture for various CSA ministries.

Sister was preceded in death by: her parents; three brothers, Clarence, Edward, and Hilarius; and three sisters, Bertha, Juletta, and Rita.

She is survived by her brothers, Father Harvey, Capuchin, and George; her sisters, Mary, Viola, Sisters Paul Ann, CSA, Malinda, Regina, and Irene; and by the Sisters of St. Agnes with whom she lived, prayed, and ministered.

Visitation for Sister Francis Rose will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Nazareth Court and Center, 375 Gillett St., on Friday, September 6, 2013, with a prayer service at 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Francis Home Chapel on Friday, September 6, 2013, at 2:30 p.m. with Fr. Ken Smits, Capuchin, as presider. Burial will be in Victoria, KS.

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/ St. Francis Home for their care of Sister Francis Rose, as well as to the staff of Hospice Hope.

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