Sister Marcia Antonie, CSA

Sister Marcia Antonie, CSA, 103, a resident of St. Francis Home, 33 Everett Street, in Fond du Lac died at the Home on Friday, September 23, 2005.

Sister Marcia, the oldest of fourteen children, was born July 15, 1902, in Catharine, Kansas, a daughter of Peter and Caroline Karlin Antonie.

Sister Marcia professed her vows in the Congregation of St. Agnes on August 15, 1921.

Sister Marcia spent her life caring for orphans, the elderly and members of her religious community, serving as a cook, baker, laundress and sacristan in Wisconsin, Michigan and Indiana. A special delight in her years of ministry was her time at the Henry Boyle Home in Fond du Lac (1961-1978) and being part of the founding of St. Francis Home in 1978, serving on its staff for more than 20 years. When her own health was failing, Sister Marcia found it a great comfort to go to St. Francis Home and be cared for by the staff she had worked with for many years.

Survivors include three brothers, Jerome (Eunice) of Manitowoc, Felix (Grace) of Two Rivers and Lawrence of Littleport Richey, Florida; one sister, Mary Coldwell of Brookfield; one sister-in-law, Betty Antonie of Madison; one brother-in-law, Clarence Carley of Tucson, Arizona; many nieces and nephews; the members of the Congregation of St. Agnes with whom she lived and ministered.

Sister Marcia was preceded in death by four siblings who died in infancy; three brothers, Celestine, Joseph, and Cyril; one sister, Ann Carley.

Services: A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 26, 2005, at St. Francis Home Chapel at 33 Everett Street in Fond du Lac. The Rev. Joseph Wolf, OFM Cap., will be the celebrant. Burial will follow immediately at St. Joseph Springs Cemetery in Fond du Lac.

Visitation: Visitation will be held from 10 to 4 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 26, 2005, at Nazareth Court, 375 Gillett Street, in Fond du Lac, with a prayer service at 1 p.m.