Sister Mary Mattern, CSA

Sister Mary Mattern, CSA (Alvera), 94, died Sunday, June 19, 2005, at St. Francis Home in Fond du Lac.

Sister Mary was born Sept. 28, 1910, in Greeley, Colorado, a daughter of Stanislaus and Regina Herzog Mattern. Sister professed her vows in the Congregation of St. Agnes on August 15, 1931.

For 40 years Sister Mary ministered as an elementary school teacher and principal in Pennsylvania, Kansas, New York and Wisconsin. After retiring from the classroom Sister Mary started her second career working in Alabama and Wisconsin, principally in parish ministry with a special love for the elderly and poor. Sister, known as a woman of peace, was an active member of Pax Christi for many years.

Survivors include her sister, Lena Starkey of Wichita, Kansas; her brother, Frank (June) Mattern of Sandy, Utah; and her sister-in-law, Mary Lou Mattern of Denver, Colorado; nieces; nephews; and members of the Congregation of St. Agnes, with whom she lived and ministered.

Sister Mary was preceded in death by her brothers, Christopher, Jacob and Joseph Mattern; and by her sisters, Ann Uhrich, Rose Mattern and Sister Eileen Marie Mattern, a Maryknoll Sister.

**Services:** A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at St. Francis Home Chapel at 33 Everett Street in Fond du Lac. The Rev. Edward Sippel will preside. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Springs Cemetery.

**Visitation:** Visitation will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2005, at Nazareth Court, 375 Gillett Street, Fond du Lac, where a prayer service will be held at 4 p.m.

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