Sister Clarella Einodshofer, CSA

Sister Clarella Einodshofer, CSA, 87, a resident of St. Francis Home in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, died at the home on Sunday, May 27, 2007.

Sister was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania, on April 1, 1920, a daughter of Louis and Genevieve Schaefer Einodshofer.

Sister Clarella entered the Congregation of St. Agnes from St. Mary Parish in Altoona, Pennsylvania, in 1934 and professed her vows in 1939.

In 1942 Sister graduated from St. Agnes School of Nursing in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, after which she dedicated her life of ministry to nursing and educating future nurses.

During those 40-plus years Sister served as nurse and instructor at St. Clare Hospital in Monroe, Wisconsin, at St. Anthony Hospital in Hays, Kansas, and at St. Agnes Hospital in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The last six of those years she taught in the nursing program at Marian College in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The resource center for nursing students at Marian College was named “The Sister Clarella Nursing Resource Center,” honoring Sister for her great contribution to the nursing field. Sister is remembered by her co-workers as devoted, precise and compassionate.

After retiring Sister continued to share her nursing skills, serving the sisters with whom she lived at Boyle Apostolic Center in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The last 12 years of Sister’s life were filled with great suffering. In the midst of her personal suffering she continued to reach out to others. Even at St. Francis Home she continued to share her nursing wisdom with the aides and students working there.

Survivors include her sister, Helen Mock of Altoona, Pennsylvania; two brothers, John (Joyce) Einodshofer of Empire, Michigan, and Robert (Donna) Einodshofer of Erie, Pennsylvania; nieces; nephews; grandnieces; grandnephews; friends; and the members of the Congregation of St. Agnes, with whom she lived and ministered.

Services: A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 31, 2007, at the St. Francis Home Chapel, 33 Everett Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The Rev. Edward Sippel will preside. Burial will follow the Mass at St. Joseph Springs Cemetery in Fond du Lac.

Visitation: Visitation will be held beginning at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 30, 2007, at Nazareth Court, 375 Gillett Street, in Fond du Lac. A prayer service will be held at 4 p.m. Visitation will continue until 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, May 31.

Memorials in her name may be directed to the Sisters of St. Agnes Development Office.