Sister Barbara Rose Miskelly, CSA

Sister Barbara Rose Miskelly, CSA, baptized Kathleen Mary, died peacefully November 29, 2018, at St. Francis Home, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

Kathleen was born in Evanston, IL, on October 23, 1933, to Robert F. Miskelly and Catherine Sheridan Miskelly. There were three siblings: Robert, Barbara, and Kathleen.

Kathleen entered St. Agnes Convent in 1947. She attended St. Agnes High School, graduating in 1950. Sister Barbara Rose made her first profession of vows in the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes on August 15, 1952. Sister received a BS in Elementary Education, with a major in social studies, from Marian College of Fond du Lac in 1962. She went on to earn an MS in Elementary Education from Marygrove College, Detroit, Michigan, in 1974. During the 70s and 80s she continued advancing her education, earning credits in religion and school administration.

Sister Barbara Rose ministered as a teacher for 32 years in Yonkers, New York; in Two Rivers, Fond du Lac, Wauwatosa, and North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin; and in Bensenville, Illinois. She became the administrator at St. Charles Borromeo School in Bensenville and ministered there for 22 years. When she retired from the field of education, she volunteered at the Elmhurst Memorial Hospital gift shop and as an office assistant for the apartments where she lived.

Sister Barbara Rose was preceded in death by her parents Robert and Catherine Miskelly, her brother Robert, and her sister Barbara Knickerbocker. She is survived by her nieces and nephews and the Sisters of St. Agnes, with whom she lived, prayed and ministered.

Visitation for Sister Barbara Rose will be on Tuesday, December 4, starting at 9:00 a.m. in Nazareth Court and Center, 375 Gillett Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. A prayer service will follow at 11:00 a.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 2:00 p.m., on December 4, 2018, at St. Francis Home Chapel, 33 Everett Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Father Ken Smits, Capuchin, will preside. 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/St. Francis Home and Hospice Hope for their care of Sister Barbara Rose in her last years.

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