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JUBILEE WISDOM

*Live the message
of the Gospel.*

-Monica Grathwohl, SSND



-formerly S. Mary Linus

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60 years

Sister Monica began her teaching career in the intermediate grades in schools in Minnesota, Washington, and Iowa. Later she was not only teacher but also administrator in schools. After 46 years in the schools, Sister Monica eased into another type of ministry. She was receptionist and did clerical work at Guardian Angel Church in Oakdale, Minnesota for 10 years. After a time in prayer, presence and volunteering at Oak Meadows Senior Care Center in the same city, she moved to Good Counsel where she continues helping others in her retirement.

A blessing of these years I want to share is

that I was born into a German Catholic family in which the faith was integrated into our daily life. The love, camaraderie and education I received at our Good Counsel Aspiranture instilled in me lifetime values that I retain as an SSND.

A ministry experience I treasure

is implementing the documents of Vatican II, especially the concept of equality among all baptized Catholics. As a school administrator, it gave freedom for greater participation in both parish and civic activities.

A memory I treasure

is participation in the Silver Jubilee Renewal Program in Rome. Sister Margaret Mary Johanning's reflections on *You Are Sent* inspired and motivated my life.



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