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ister Mary Regine was a teacher for 37 years, educating students at elementary, secondary and college levels. Her elementary posts were Holy Cross, Milwaukee and St. Mary, Elm Grove. She taught secondary students at St. Mary High School in Menasha, Wisconsin and college students at Mount Mary College in Milwaukee. Additionally, she served as executive director for eight years at Spectrum Alternative High School in Milwaukee and as a parish staff member for three years at St. Leo in Milwaukee. Called to congregational service in 1992, she served as administrator for nine years at the motherhouse of the former Milwaukee Province. Sister Mary Regine earned a bachelor's degree in English from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee and a master's degree in art from the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. Since her retirement in 2001, she has shared through volunteer service and by her prayer and presence.

A blessing of the years has been the understanding, supportive and appreciative leadership throughout these 70 years. I have appreciated opportunities to develop and share my gift of sculpture and art, in general. I am thankful for the loving care from both SSND and lay staff in my elderly years at Our Lady of the Angels. The continuous love and support from my wonderful family has been a tremendous gift.

The wisdom I would like to share is that our God-given gifts are ours to share with others. If you want to have friends, be one!

I was drawn to the School Sisters of Notre Dame when I attended St. Joseph High School in Escanaba, Michigan.

A memory I treasure is the time I carved a statue for a church and a first grade boy said, "If you were in our school, you would get an 'A' in art!"

I want people to know that the SSNDs are dedicated and humble servants of those in need of education – on all levels.

