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Sister Mary Laura Funk, SSND

Sister Mary Laura devoted the majority of her active ministry years teaching Catholic grade school students around Wisconsin. However, her earliest assignment began in Michigan, where she taught from 1948-1960 at Holy Childhood in Harbor Springs. Following a two-year post in the Diocese of La Crosse (St. John Baptist) and five years at St. Boniface in Milwaukee, Sister Mary Laura returned to her home Diocese of Green Bay, where she would remain through 2004. Teaching assignments from 1967-1976 included: St. John in Oshkosh, St. Mary in De Pere, and St. Joseph Orphanage in Green Bay. She spent the next 13 years teaching middle school students at St. Mary in Menasha. During many of those years, she also devoted herself to caring for her parents at their family home, continuing in that ministry full-time from 1990-1993. Over the next decade, Sister Mary Laura worked across the Green Bay diocese as a substitute and volunteer teacher, concluding this final active ministry in 2003. Since 2004, she has resided in prayerful service at Notre Dame of Elm Grove. She now resides at Our Lady of the Angels in Greenfield. Sister Mary Laura holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee.



A memory I want to share...

Being of Native American heritage, I was pleased to be sent to Holy Childhood School in Michigan, a boarding school for Indian children. I am grateful for those years and all those teaching years in Wisconsin that followed.

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