Sister Ivo was born in New England, North Dakota. She made her first profession in Mankato, Minnesota, in 1960. Her first two decades of ministry as a Catholic grade school teacher and administrator took her to schools across the upper Midwest, including: Sacred Heart, Eden, South Dakota, 1961 to 1963; St. Mary, Bellechester, Minnesota, 1963 to 1966; St. Anne, Bismarck, North Dakota, 1966 to 1974; St. John the Baptist, Jordan, Minnesota, 1974 to 1975; St. Peter, Forest Lake, Minnesota, 1975 to 1976; and St. Francis Xavier, Sartell, Minnesota, 1976 to 1979. Sister Ivo next accepted the position of coordinator of community at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Mankato. This role concluded in 1984, when she moved into pastoral ministry at Corpus Christi in Bismarck, North Dakota. She is still employed with The Church of Corpus Christi and serves in the outreach ministries and pastoral service. Sister Ivo completed a bachelor’s degree in elementary education at Mount Mary College (now University) in Milwaukee. In 1990, she earned a master’s degree in ministry from Seattle University.

A memory I have to share...
For the past 35 years, I have been privileged to meet with families to plan funerals for loved ones, accompanied those mourning in grief support groups I have led. I have learned that when people die, they leave behind memories to sustain us.

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