Sister Maria Magdalena was born in Yona, Guam. She made her first profession in Milwaukee in 1960. She served for decades as a housekeeper, cafeteria manager and librarian. Her earliest assignments took her to St. Francia Parish and School in Yona, Guam, from 1960 to 1965 and San Vincente Catholic School in Barrigada, Guam, from 1965 to 1969. From 1967 through 1976, she served the congregation at the Notre Dame Regional House in Talofofo, Agat, then came to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Calvary, Wisconsin, from 1977 to 1980 and 1982 to 1985. She returned to St. Francis Parish School in Yona, Guam, serving there from 1980 through 1982, followed by seven more years back at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Wisconsin. Sister Magdalena then traveled to the Caroline-Marshall Islands, where she served three years as assistant librarian at Queen of Peace School in Ebeye and one year teaching home economics at Chuuk Academy in Moen. Sister Magdalena returned to Queen of Peace near the early 2000s. Following two more years of assisting the congregation at Notre Dame Regional House in Talofofo, Agat, she continued in roles of teaching, homemaking and support staff, returning to San Vincente Catholic School in 2001; Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Agat, in 2003; and the Notre Dame Community in Talofofo in 2009. Since 2016, she has served as a volunteer at San Vincente Catholic School in Barrigada, Guam, and on staff at the local SSND residence.

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