



Birth
May 31, 1935

Baptism
December 24, 1961

Profession
August 28, 1968

Death
May 24, 2022

Burial
Kinugasa Cemetery,
Kyoto, Japan

*Precious and blessed is
the death of the faithful
before God ... for
they die in union with
their dear Jesus, in the
grace of God, in peace.*

Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger
Foundress of the School Sisters of Notre Dame
Letter 11, September 10, 1831

In Loving Memory

Sister Mary Agatha Ono

Sister Mary Agatha Ono was born to Senkichi and Tamie Ono in Kobe, Japan, on May 31, 1935. She was the youngest of three children. She returned to God peacefully at 4:40 a.m. on May 24, 2022, a week before her 87th birthday.

Sister Mary Agatha spent her elementary, junior high, senior high and university days in Kobe. After graduation, she worked in a bank for 10 years. On December 24, 1961, she was baptized at Catholic Toyonaka Church in Osaka. Her baptismal name was Augustina.

On April 2, 1966, she entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame in Kyoto. She was received into the novitiate on August 27, 1967, and given the name Mary Agatha. On August 28, 1968, she professed her first vows and on August 15, 1975, she professed final vows. In 2018, she celebrated her Golden Jubilee with great joy.

From 1968 to 1979, Sister Mary Agatha ministered in the kindergarten classes of Catholic Nagaoka Church and Catholic Kusatsu Church. Many children felt peace and joy from her loving presence. From 1980 to 1995, she worked at Notre Dame Elementary School as an office staff member and as a teacher. From 1995 to March 2000, she ministered at Hope House, Kami no Sono, an elderly nursing home in Kyoto City where she worked part-time during the night shift, as guide for the blind and after-school care. She cared for the residents very carefully, shared her time with many people and played with the children.

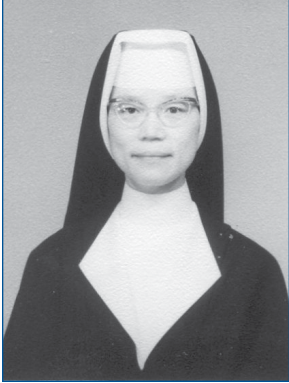
From 2009 until 2020, she volunteered in the Sisters' Lounge at Kyoto Notre Dame University where students could meet with her, chat and get good advice while they ate lunch together. Many students received courage and hope from her.

Sister Mary Agatha peacefully returned to God at 4:40 a.m. May 24, 2022. She was buried in Kinugasa Cemetery in Kyoto. May Sister Mary Agatha rest in peace and intercede for us with God.

By Sister Maria Dominica Sento, SSND

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