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Sister Felicitas Collet

Sister M. Felicitas, Clara Collett of Chicago, Illinois, daughter of Nicholas Collett and Katherine Klassen, died at the Motherhouse, on November 6, 1938 at 3:40 AM. At the time of her death Sister Felicitas was in the eighty-second year of her age and the sixty-fifth of her religious life.

The funeral services were held in the chapel of the Motherhouse on November 8. Rev. Justin Mathias, CSSR, a nephew of Sister Felicitas was celebrant of the Solemn Requiem Mass. Rev. Thomas Rust, OFM, the chaplain, was deacon, and Rev. John Lind, pastor of St. Mary's Des Plaines, was subdeacon.

Her sister, Sister M. Veronica, who is a member of the Rochester, Minnesota, Franciscan Sisters, was present for the funeral. Another sister, Sister M. Charitas Collett, belonged to our Community, died on March 10, 1889.

In earlier years Sister Felicitas perhaps is remembered especially as portress at the Motherhouse, while at the same time making beautiful vestments and other articles for divine services. She was Superior of the Motherhouse from 1914 to 1917. In 1927 she was appointed Superior of St. Mary's Des Plaines. She held this office for six years, and then remained at St. Mary's for several years as sacristan — a work dear to her. From Des Plaines she was transferred to the Motherhouse in the summer of 1937.