

SISTER M. JUSTINA MARCOUILLER  
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Sister M. Justina, formerly Margaret Hermidia of Menominee, Michigan, daughter of Isaac and Victoria Bournival Marcouiller, died at St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, on Thursday, April 8, 1948 at 4:28p.m. in the seventy-third year of her age and fifty-first of her religious life. The immediate cause of death was acute cardiac dilation. Diabetes mellitus, chronic hypertension and senile sclerosis were associated diseases.

Hermidia came to the United States from Quebec, Canada, on March 25, 1888, when she was 13 years old. Her father's naturalization was recorded in Wisconsin on August 1, 1914. Sister Justina was already 39 years old then, so in 1941, she filed her declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States. This was a common occurrence in the 1940's because of the threats of war, the citizenship of our Sisters was again questioned as it had been during the First World War.

Sister Justina made her First Vows on August 15, 1899, after she had completed one year of teaching as a novice. She studied music in St. Francis Normal School and Assisi College School of Music from 1907-1927 while she continued with her teaching duties. Her mission record includes:

1898-00	St. Louis, Washburn, WI	Music
1900-04	St. Mary, Columbus, OH	Music
1904-05	St. Boniface, Chicago, IL	Music
1905-08	St. Francis Assisi, Chicago, IL	Music
1908-11	St. Mary Institute, Holy Family, Bayfield, WI	Music
1911-15	St. Mary, Columbus, OH	Music
1915-16	Ss. Cyril/Methodius, Chicago, IL	Music
1916-19	St. Pascal, Chicago, IL	Music
1919-22	Holy Family, Bayfield, WI	Music
1922-23	St. Stephen, Johnstown, PA	Music
1923-25	St. Francis Academy, Joliet, IL	Procurator
1925-27	St. Francis deSales, Chicago, IL	Organist/Sacristan
1927-30	St. Mary Institute, Holy Family, Bayfield, WI	Music
1930-45	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL	Infirmarian
1945-48	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL	Convalescing