

SISTER M. OTTILIA SCHMITT

284. SEPTEMBER 10, 1947

Sister M. Ottilia, formerly Elizabeth Schmitt of Leonore, IL, daughter of Wimmer and Elizabeth Eschbach Schmitt, died at the Motherhouse on Wednesday, September 10, 1947, at 11:40 p.m., in the 81st year of her age and the 64th of her religious life. The immediate cause of death was carcinoma of the uterus and general carcinomatosis. Hypertension and chronic myocarditis were associated diseases.

Elizabeth was born in Richland, IL, on July 9, 1867. She entered the Congregation from Sts. Peter & Paul Parish in Leonore, IL, and became Sister M. Ottilia as a Novice on August 9, 1884. She professed her First Vows on August 14, 1886 and her Final Vows on August 12, 1889. Sister Ottilia celebrated her Diamond Jubilee in 1946.

Her Mission Record includes:

1885-1886	St. Michael, Sigel, IL	Grades 4,5,6,7
1886-1887	St. Nicholas, Zanesville, OH	" 5,6
1887-1895	St. Boniface, Chicago, IL	" 5,6
1895-1898	St. Patrick, Galion, OH	Principal " 5,6,7,8
1898-1908	Sacred Heart, Englewood, IL	Principal, Organist, 7,8
1908-1914	St. Boniface, Chicago, IL	Principal, Organist, 7
1914-1920	St. Francis Convent, Joliet	Normal school teacher
1920-1923	St. Francis Convent, Joliet	Postulant Mistress
1923-1938	St. Francis Convent, Joliet	Novice Mistress
1938-1939	St. Francis Convent, Joliet	Convalescing
1939-1945	Guardian Angel Home, Joliet	Superior
1945-1947	Guardian Angel Home, Joliet	Needlework

Sister M. Ottilia was best known for the many years she spent as the Novice Mistress. She will long be remembered by many Sisters as "Ma" Ottilia.