

SISTER M. IGNATIUS HARTIGAN  
DATE OF DEATH: DECEMBER 4, 1867  
DATE OF BIRTH: 1842

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In December, 1867, when the community was still in its infancy, God summoned to Himself Sister M. Ignatius Hartigan, one of the six novices admitted into the Order in August of that year. She became a victim of typhoid fever. Her death which was very edifying occurred on the fourth of December, 1867, at Mendota, Illinois, where she had been engaged in teaching.

The annalist regrets being obliged to insert here a rather disagreeable incident that transpired shortly after the Sister's burial. The body had been interred in St. Joseph Cemetery at Mendota. However, a few days later, her father, who resided in Joliet, Illinois, being seemingly actuated by an erroneous idea of family ties, and in spite of all remonstrances on part of the Sisters, was determined to have his daughter buried beside her mother, and undertook to have the corpse disinterred and brought to Joliet, where she was placed to her final rest in the family burial lot in St. Patrick's Cemetery, which is as short distance from the convent.

P.S: Several attempts have been made by the Archivist and others to locate Sister Ignatius grave. Up until now we have not been able to find the site.

Grave located  
August 31, 2004  
see folder for details