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Sister M. Laura Fox

Early Saturday morning God called to her reward our Sister M. Laura Fox, Superior at Guardian Angel Home. Death came sudden ly for Sister. Though she had not been well for months, she continued at her regular duties. Just the day before she had cleaned shades, coincident to the painting that was being done at the Home, and that evening she had moved back into her freshly painted room. She planned to sit up, for she had recently had difficulty breathing properly.

A little before four o'clock, Sister Lucretia, who occupied the room adjoining Sister Laura's, was awakened by a rap and heard Sister moaning. Hurrying to her, she found Sister very ill and unable to speak. She ran to Sister Mary, asking her to call Father Then, and then hurried to phone Doctor Brixey. Both priest and doctor arrived quickly. While Father anointed Sister, the doctor gave her injections. The inhalator squad arrived soon after the doctor, but there was nothing they could do. Sister passed away at five minutes after four. The doctor pronounced the cause of her death "acute cardiac attack." Sister was 75 years old and had been in religion 55 years.

Sister was brought to the Motherhouse for the wake. The Guardian Angel children came to the Convent in groups to pay tribute to the beloved "Sister Superior of the Home," and on Tuesday they attended the funeral in a body. The chaplain of the Home, Father John C. Then, celebrated the Solemn Requiem Mass in the Convent chapel. Among the clergy in the sanctuary was Monsignor Romeo Blanchette, Vicar General and Chancellor. - Burial was made at Mount Olivet Cemetery, Joliet.

Sister Laura during her fifty-five years of active service in the Community was an excellent teacher and a capable administrator. St. Boniface, Chicago; St. Mary's and Immaculate Conception, Columbus; Sacred Heart, Hubbard Woods; St. Clement, Chicago; St. Francis Academy --- all recognized her superior work in the classroom. Of these, St. Clement and Immaculate Conception, as well as St. Peter's, Mansfield, the College and Academy, the Motherhouse, and Guardian Angel Home also enjoyed her motherly care as Superior. For three years she was also prefect of resident students at the College and instructor in the Education Department.

A "womanly woman," affable, kindly, peaceable, possessed of a fund of common sense and a store of good humor, Sister Laura was successful in directing her classes, in guiding the young, whether the children at the Home or resident students at the College; she was moreover loved and respected by the Sisters of the missions she led as Superior. Everywhere she was untiring in the care of her house and constant in the service of her Sisters. As a religious, she possessed a solid, unpretentious piety, a deep faith, and a warm charity; and she believed that living for others was living in and for the Lord. - May the God she served so well grant her eternal rest!