

Sister M. Gemma Shamet
April 16, 1913 - August 4, 1992



Secular Name: Anna Mary
Entrance: October 30, 1932
Place of Birth: Kansas City, Kansas
Parents: Matthew and Amelia
Siblings: John, Martha, Agnes, Mary Ann, Joseph, Pauline

Elementary School: St. Joseph School, Kansas City
High School: Wyandotte High, Kansas City St. Francis Academy
Higher Education: Courses in Home Economics and Dietetics in Mercy, Fontbonne, and Michigan State University



Ministry:

After serving 33 years in the dietary field in East St. Louis, Kearny, Pittsburgh, Elizabeth and Good Samaritan Hospital in Mt. Vernon, Illinois, where she served for 16 years, Sister Gemma switched careers and entered the classroom. She taught 3rd and graders in Elizabeth, Kenosha, Coopersville and Grand Rapids as well as in Philadelphia.

After 56 years of active ministry, she suffered a stroke while visiting her family. She returned to the motherhouse where she served as a Minister of Prayer until her death.

“You, O Christ, are the Light of the World.”