

Sister M. Alice Phillipenas
January 1, 1916 – August 20, 1995



Secular Name: Magdalene Phillipenas
Entrance: January 8, 1936
Place of Birth: East St. Louis, Illinois
Parents: John and Magdalene
Siblings: Stanley, Luella, Joseph

Elementary School: E. Louis Grade School
High School: E. St. Louis High School

Higher Education: Duquesne, Pgh. St. Louis Univ.
Degrees: Hospital Administration & Accounting

Ministry:

Sister Alice taught in various grades in schools in PA as well as in Cleveland. In 1944, she was among the first group of sisters sent to staff Good Samaritan Hospital in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Sister Alice worked in the Accounting Department for nearly 25 years, assuming much of the responsibilities of financial management and hospital accounting.

In 1967 and for 18 consequent years, Sister Alice managed the community finances at the motherhouse as the community treasurer. She also served as a member of the General Council. Because of her relentless efforts, she was responsible for providing Social Security benefits for all the sisters.

Even though in failing health, in 1993 Sister Alice requested an assignment in SS Peter & Paul in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She had just returned to Grand Rapids after spending some time at the motherhouse, when she was called to return to the Lord on August 24, 1995.

“Here I am, Lord, I come to do your will.”