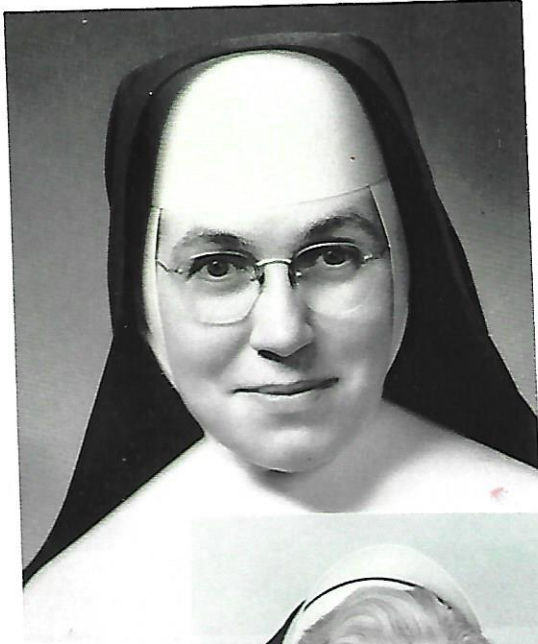


Sister M. Antonia Montville

December 5, 1916 – September 13, 1999



Secular Name: Stephanie
Entrance: November 5, 1934
Place of Birth: Chicago, Illinois
Parents: Theodore and Sophia
Siblings: Joseph, Louis, John
Elementary School: Immaculate Conception, Chicago
High School: St. Casimir Academy
Higher Education: Mercy College, Duquesne U
Marquette University
Degrees: Bachelor in Education
Master in Education
Master in Science

Ministry: After graduating from St. Casimir Academy in Chicago, Stephanie joined the ranks of the Franciscans in Pittsburgh. Her group of 12 was later referred to as “the Franciscan group because Mother Aloysia, then General Superior, had decided to name each new novice with a name associated with Saint Francis.

Her ministry assignments including teaching in Detroit, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, Hartford, and Moon Run. Her teaching days were interspersed with acquiring a Bachelor and Master Degree in Education from Duquesne University. She became actively involved in various science programs during her high school teachings in Pittsburgh. From 1959 until 1962 she was the Regional Director for the PA Junior Academy of Science.

In 1971 Sister asked to be relieved of teaching responsibilities and moved onto a new ministry of clerical work. She assisted in various areas of the Administration Office until 1981. After that date, because of deteriorating health, she assumed lesser responsibilities. In 1972 she had undertaken the task of modernizing the movies Father Scripkus had taken. She wrote and recorded a narrative with suitable background music. She also added yet another contribution to community history when she translated our 10th Anniversary book from Lithuania into English. Our sisters in Brazil have said that the book, now translated into Portuguese has enabled them to better understand our community history. From 1989 until she quietly drew her last breath on September 13, 1999, Sister Antonia’s ministry was principally that of prayer.

“Behold the Invisible Land Where Tears Shall Come No More.”