Irma Antonia Neres da Silva, OSF January 24, 1974 - March 27, 2001

Em memória de

Irmã Antonia Neres da Silva

Franciscana da Providência de Deus



* Nasceu para a vida:

24/01/1974

* Professou os Votos Temporários:

04/01/1998

+ Passou para a vida eterna:

27/03/2001

"A glória de meu Pai se manifesta quando vocês dão muitos frutos e se tornam meus discípulos". Jo 15,8 Secular Name:

Antonia Neres da Silva

Entered: Postulant:

Aspirant. March 6, 1994 April 1, 1995

Place of Birth:

Agua Branca, Piaui, Brazil

Parents:

Claudionar Neres da Cruz and Maria Bezerra

da Silva

Siblings:

Antonia was the 5th of 10 children - 4 girls and 6

boys, plus an adopted

boy

Higher Education:

St. Mark College in

Ipiranga

Ministry:

In 1998 Irmã Antônia's first assignment as a junior was to community of Pius XII, Morumbi, to work as an assistant in the "Escolinha" (Little School) and begin studies at St. Mark College in Ipiranga. The following year she remained in the same community, assuming more service and also Employee Relations. In 2000 she moved to live in the Provincial House, Jardim Leonor, continuing her studies and her ministry in the Escolinha as well as helping with internal services. In 2001, her last year of college, she was assigned the role of director at the Social Center.

God soon gave her a different assignment. She suffered a cerebral aneurysm. She remained at Recanto Paz e Bem, the recuperation house, for treatment. Three weeks before she died, Irmã "Toninha," as she was lovingly called, wrote a prayer in her diary, placing herself totally in the hands of God and ending with the following:

...Lord, . . . if this really is your will, I want to say thank you for everything and for the time I passed here.

"Give thanks to the Lord who is good, Whose love endures forever."