



Below is information regarding services for Sr. Mary Vincentia Maronick.

Obituary

The University of Saint Mary joins the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth as they mourn the loss of Sister Mary Vincentia Maronick, 91, who died on Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at the Mother House in Leavenworth, KS.

Betty Jo Maronick was born on July 29, 1924 in Helena, MT, one of four children of Stephen J. and Marguerite Ashall Maronick. She graduated from Ursuline Academy in Great Falls, MT. Betty entered the religious community of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth on August 14, 1945 and, as Sister Mary Vincentia, made her profession of vows on August 15, 1947.

Sister Mary Vincentia received a B.S. in Music Education from Saint Mary College, later known as the University of Saint Mary, and a M.S. in Mathematics from Notre Dame in South Bend, IN. She taught math at Bishop Hogan High School in KCMO, and at Bishop Ward High School in KCK. In 1955, she was named Dean of Freshman Students at USM. In 1965, S. Mary Vincentia was asked to become Alumni Director and to start a development program for USM. She served as Director of Development for 15 years and after a much deserved sabbatical, returned to USM and served an additional 15 years as Director of Major and Planned Gifts. In 1992, she became involved with the Douglas County AIDS Project as a volunteer. In 1996, she resigned from USM and moved to Billings, MT, where she became an active member of AIDSpirit Montana, a newly-founded volunteer group to support those affected and infected by HIV/AIDS. She lived in Billings for 16 years, enjoying the close proximity of her brothers and their families in Great Falls, and satisfying the passion of her heart in AIDS and GLBT ministry.

In 2012, Sister Mary Vincentia retired to the Mother House in Leavenworth. Her death brought her home to the God she had faithfully served for 70 years, and into the embrace of her parents, Stephen and Marguerite Maronick, her brother Dr. Edward Maronick, her many SCL sisters, and her dear friends.

Survivors include brothers William Maronick (Pat) and Robert Maronick (Dot), both of Great Falls, MT, extended family, friends, and her SCL community.

A vigil will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 28, 2015 in Ross Chapel of the Sisters of Charity Mother House in Leavenworth, where friends may call after 4:00 p.m. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Annunciation Chapel at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 29. Interment will follow in Mount Olivet Cemetery on the Mother House grounds. Belden-Larkin Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Saint Mary, 4100 S. 4th St., Leavenworth, KS 66048.



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